



Report of the East North East Area Manager

East (Inner) Area Committee

Date: 25th March 2010

Subject: Wellbeing Capital Update and Scheme Proposal

Electoral Wards Affected:

All inner east wards

Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

Council Function

Delegated Executive Function available for Call In

Delegated Executive Function not available for Call In Details set out in the report

Executive Summary

This report updates Members on 2009-10 capital wellbeing expenditure. It also requests the Area Committee to approve the following capital projects: Burmantofts and Richmond Hill pot - a contribution of £30k towards the resurfacing of paths within East End Park and an additional £1,602 towards the previously agreed Scargill alleygating scheme. Killigbeck and Seacroft pot- resident parking scheme at Lime Chase (£10k), construction of a lay-by at Eastdean Drive (£12k), contribution towards the improvements at Dennis Healy youth hub (£10k).

Purpose of This Report

1. The purpose of this report is to present new proposals to be funded from the wellbeing capital budget.
2. It is also to provide an update of the capital wellbeing expenditure, which is attached in Appendix A.

East End Park

3. A key priority for the Area Delivery Plan 2009 / 20010 for East (Inner) Area Committee is Environment. Making improvements to our streets and public open

spaces, enhancing parks and playgrounds to benefit the residents and encourage healthier lifestyles plays a vital part within this strategic theme.

4. East End Park is one of the Parks and Countryside's large community parks. Comprising open parkland and sports pitches alongside a good size play area, the park is well used by local residents throughout the year. Furthermore, the park has a very strong Friends' Group who have worked tirelessly with local members and officers to produce a development plan for the park to help improve its image. Through this partnership a number of small projects have been undertaken including tree and bulb planting, and the development of a Multi Use Games Area on a former tennis court site.
5. The proposal for this scheme is primarily to remove the footpath by the sports field which, due to root invasion, cannot be reinstated without causing serious damage to the tree stock. The far footpath will be re surfaced as will some of the other path ways within the park curtalidge.
6. The timetable for the scheme would see the initial consultation with the Friends of East End Park in Spring 2010. On going maintenance of the site will continue to be undertaken by Parks and Countryside using existing revenue budgets.

Scargill Alleygates

7. Community safety and combating of anti-social behaviour form an important part of the ADP. The Area Committee has already agreed the funding for Scargill alleygates to the value of £3,800.
8. Following a revision of original costings, a shortfall of £1,602 has arisen. This is mainly due to the need to create a maintenance pot for the gates which can no longer be funded through Leeds Community Safety.

Lime Chase Resident Parking Scheme

9. This initiative falls within the Transport theme of the ADP, aiming to secure a safe environment on our streets, where traffic does not create an obstruction to emergency vehicles or an unnecessary nuisance to local residents.
10. The Lime Chase scheme, funded by the Area Committee to the value of £10k, forms a partnership with the Highways, who are installing another £10k resident parking scheme at Coldwell Rd.
11. The scheme will involve a public consultation, assessment of traffic flow and a designation of a residents' parking scheme in the area.

East Leeds Amateur Rugby League Club – changing facilities

12. The East Leeds Amateur Rugby League Football Club runs 14 teams, 12 of which are at a junior level and include both boys and girls; (e.g. Under 8's, 9's, 10's, 11's).

13. Its current changing facilities are inadequate and in need of urgent refurbishment. The club is in the process of purchasing a closed working men's club building which provides water and electricity to the changing rooms. The building would then be transformed into the club's main venue with the aid of a substantial grant from Rugby League to develop its services and facilities.
14. It is requested that the Area Committee agree a contribution in principle to the value of £10k towards the refurbishment of the changing facilities. This is on the understanding that the purchase of the working men's club is completed and that the club provide Area Management with 3 quotes for the work to be undertaken.

Eastdean Drive lay-bay

15. As above, the new lay-by at Eastdean would contribute to the Transport theme of the ADP. It is suggested that ALMO project manage the scheme on behalf of the Area Committee using an approved contractor. At present, quotes are being collected in accordance with procurement rules. Indications are, that the scheme will cost up to £13k. The work will take place in consultation with Highways.

Dennis Healy Youth Hub

16. Development and improvement of local community facilities fit within the Thriving Communities theme of the ADP. The Inner East Area Committee has in the past invested in its own community centre stock as well as community owned facilities.
17. Dennis Healy Youth Hub is an ambitious development to benefit children and young people in Inner East Leeds. It is hoped that the centre, when fully developed, will provide activities 7 days a week during the day and in the evenings. The Area Committee are requested to contribute to a basket of funding, currently being put together to redevelop the centre to include sports facilities (e.g. climbing wall), art facilities (e.g. music room), learning and IT facilities. It is planned that the Committee's contribution will go towards the creation of the music room.

Implications for Council Policy and Governance

18. There are no governance implications for the Council.

Legal and Resource Implications

19. There are no legal or resource implications other than those associated with the use of capital wellbeing.

Recommendations

20. The Area Committee is requested to approve:
Burmantofts and Richmond Hill pot - a contribution of £30k towards the resurfacing of paths within East End Park and an additional £1,602 towards the previously agreed Scargill alleygating scheme; and a contribution of £10k towards the

changing facilities for East Leeds Amateur Rugby League Football Club, on conditions described in para 14.

Killigbeck and Seacroft pot- resident parking scheme at Lime Chase (£10k), construction of a lay-by at Eastdean Drive (£12k), contribution towards the improvements at Dennis Healy youth hub (£10k).

Documents used in writing of this report:

Design and Cost Report prepared by P&C.