

BURSLEDON, HAMBLE AND HOUND LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE

Thursday 23rd September 2021

FINANCE MONITORING REPORT

Report of the Local Area Manager

Recommendations

It is recommended that

- (1)** £832 is allocated from Capital accounts for two x Dragons Teeth and five x galvanised hooped barriers at South Court / Norbury Gardens.
- (2)** £210 is allocated from the Revenue accounts fund fence repair due to vehicle damage on Providence Hill.
- (3)** £3120 from capital accounts to fund the installation of eight x dual waste bins on the new Kestrel Park estate (x2), Copse Lane, Hamble Lane bus stop, Hungerford Close, Salterns Lane, Ladymead and the A27.
- (4)** £375 from revenue accounts to fund the planting of three x trees in Norbury Gardens.
- (5)** £1236 is allocated from capital accounts for three benches at Hamble Common (x2), and one at New Road in Netley.
- (6)** £8,000 from reserves is allocated to One Community to hire a Governance Officer for a 6-month period for Pilands Wood Community Centre.
- (7)** £350 from reserves is allocated to the Mercury Hamble Library Hub to install a 6ft gate between the edge of the building and the stone walkway at the rear.
- (8)** £208 is allocated from reserves to purchase and install bollards on the corner of New Road, Netley.
- (9)** £2743 is allocated from reserves to deliver the Window Wanderland project in February 2022.
- (10)** £3440 is allocated from reserves to deliver the Walk and Talk project, delivered by the Country Parks team, for a 12-month period.
- (11)** £3000 is allocated from reserves to upgrade the lights in Abbey Hall car park to LED lights.
- (12)** £100 is allocated from reserves to purchase historical books about Hamble for the Mercury Hamble Library Hub.

- (13) The BHH LAC to note a formal service level agreement (SLA) has been drafted for the Hampshire Cultural Trust regarding the Bursledon Windmill. The SLA includes a breakdown of the payments to the Hampshire Cultural trust for the next five years.

Summary

This report contains recommendations for expenditure from the Committee's capital budget and revenue budget.

Statutory Powers

Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 i.e. the Local Authority's general power of competence, including power to act for the benefit of its area or persons resident or present in its area.
S.106 Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Strategic Implications

1. The works outlined below contribute to the following strategic priorities from the Corporate Plan 2015-2025:
 - Local First: where possible taking decisions at a local level about things which affect people's lives, and using contributions from local developments for local projects
 - Excellent Environment for all: creating a sense of place through improved pathways, additional bins and air quality
 - Enabling health and wellbeing and tackling deprivation; improving community infrastructure and places where different people can meet and receive support and services

Dragons Teeth at South Court and Norbury Gardens

2. It is recommended the committee approve the expenditure to implement two dragons' teeth on the green space at South Court/Norbury Gardens in Hamble along with five x Galvanised hoop perimeter barriers on the three accessible corners of the green. This preventative measure should stop a resident from driving their car on to the green space.

Fence repair on Providence Hill

3. The fence adjacent to the bus stop on Providence Hill has been damaged some time ago and direct services have agreed to carry out the work. The total cost is £210 and will be paid for from our revenue accounts.

Installation of eight dual waste bins

4. Eastleigh Borough Council have received request to install two dual waste bins at the Kestrel Park Estate. After consultation with local residents and a check of the area, the local engagement team have identified two locations for dual waste bins to be installed. One is to be located at the top of Bowers Drive and the other is to be located at the bottom of the path leading from the development to Green Lane, adjacent to the gate.
5. The bin previously located on Copse Lane was unexpectedly removed recently. Hamble Parish have received several complaints about the missing bin, so a site visit was carried out by an EBC local engagement officer who recommended installing a new dual waste bin in the same location. The cost to replace or install a new dual bin is £390 each.
6. A badly damaged bin which is regularly used, has been identified on Hamble lane (between Satchell Lane and the Hamble Lane entrance to Hamble School), adjacent to the bus stop. The bin has been assessed and a new dual waste bin is recommended.
7. The following locations were requested by Bursledon residents to install a Dual use bin. These sites have been assessed by our Local engagement officer and her guidance has been highlighted below.
 - a. The Bus stop on A27 by Adelaide Vets – suitable therefore recommended for the panel to approve.
 - b. Hungerford close – the suggested location would be to place a bin on the highway next to the grit bin
 - c. Salterns Lane – the only suitable place would be to place the bin by the street name plate and grit bin.
 - d. Ladymeand – Footpath path between Ladymead and Bondfield is unsuitable to place a bin, however a bin could be located closer to Ladymead.
 - e. Salterns Lane by Footpath 3 – This is an unsuitable location as we are unsure of land ownership and there are some bins positioned close to this site. Therefore, this suggestion has been rejected.
8. In total, it is recommended that 8 dual bins are installed at £390 per bin, totalling £3120. The exact location of the 4 bins in Bursledon will also be highlighted to the old Bursledon residents' group before being installed.

Planting of three trees in Norbury Gardens

9. A small patch of EBC land in Norbury gardens, Hamble which is constantly being parked on and has been churned up and become unsightly. In discussion with the local residents an EBC Local Engagement Officer has suggested planting trees on the site to prevent cars parking on the site. The trees will be planted in planting season (from November) by direct services and a local resident has agreed to regularly water the trees. There are

examples of residents watering and maintaining trees on EBC land in the Borough. The cost of the trees being planted is £375 and will be met from our revenue budgets

Benches

10. It is recommended that the committee approve the expenditure of three benches in the local area. Two benches at Hamble Common, one of which has reached the end of its life and has been repaired several times but is now dilapidated and needs replacing. The second bench on Hamble Common is now only one metre away from the cliff edge due to erosion and for safety reasons needs to be moved. It is impractical to simply move the existing bench as two of the legs have rotted away and is very close to the end of its life, therefore a new bench is required. £140 of the BHH countryside budget has been allocated to contribute to the cost of these replacements. Therefore, the cost to install the two bins at Hamble Common is £736.
11. In discussion with Hound Parish Council and nearby retailers, it is recommended that a standard bench should be installed on New Road in Netley. After consultation with Hampshire Highways, the proposed exact location is between two trees nearer the coop end of New Road. As the bench is being installed on a Hampshire Highway, we are required to pay for a S115 Licence (£500) and an S171 Licence (£444). Therefore, the total cost for this bench will be £1,444.

Governance Support for Pilands Wood Community Centre

12. EBC are working in partnership with One Community and Pilands Wood Community Association Centre to provide governance support to the team at Pilands Wood Community Centre. A Governance Support Officer will be employed by One Community for 15 hours per week for a 6-month period to support the centre manager with audited accounts, review of policies and activity programmes, help support with trustee meetings and trustee recruitment and devise a short/medium term vision for the centre. The total contribution for this temporary role is £8000 and these costs will be met from our reserves account.

Security gate for Hamble Mercury Library Hub

13. It is recommended that security gate be installed to the side/read of the Mercury Hub building to prevent access and ASB in the garden area of the Hamble Mercury Library Hub. Direct Services have visited the site and have calculated the price of £350 for the gate with a clasp and lock to be installed. It is recommended that we use our reserve accounts to cover this cost.

Installation of bollards on New Road, Netley

14. It is recommended that protection bollards are installed on the corner of New Road to prevent people parking their car inappropriately on the crossing. Our transport and Engineering team have recommended installing a Glasdon Manchester bollard on the site to prevent this issue.

Window Wanderland

15. Window Wanderland is a community-based activity to create a gallery of art in windows which can be viewed as a public art trail. This project will take place in February 2022 over a weekend across Bursledon, Hamble and Hound, with businesses, community groups, schools and individuals encouraged to take part. This project will be led by the creative team at the Point theatre. The total cost for the programme is £2743 and will be paid from our reserve accounts.

Walk and Talk Project

16. It is recommended that the committee approve £3440 from reserves to implement a 12-month project called Walk and Talk, across Bursledon Hamble and Hound. The Country Parks Team at Eastleigh Borough Council would deliver fortnightly walk and talk session based around BHH green spaces lead by a country parks officer. These 2-hour sessions will include social interaction with up to 15 participants at each session, walking and the officer also highlighting flowers and birds in the local area.

Implement LED lights at Abbey Hall Car Park

17. It is recommended that the committee approve £3000 from reserves to improve the lightening at Abbey Hall Car Park, Netley, by upgrading to LED lighting.

Purchase of Historical Books for the Hamble Mercury Library Hub

18. It is recommended that the committee approve £100 from reserves for the Hamble Mercury Library Hub to purchase historical books about Hamble.

Bursledon Windmill SLA

19. This note is to inform members that a formalised Service Level Agreement has been created and shared with the Hampshire Cultural Trust, who manage the Windmill. It is also for the committee to note that grant award to windmill will be reducing year on year over a five-year period as was previously discussed with all parties at the outset of this partnership approach in 2014.

Financial Implications

20. The recommendations in this report can be contained within existing capital and revenue budgets.

Risk Assessment

21. The recommendations within this report carry a low to moderate risk to the council. The recommendation above are designed to improve and enhance

community infrastructure, that should they be left to deteriorate, they become an increased risk physically but also reputationally, which could also lead to an increased financial burden.

22. There is some risk to BHH LAC withdrawing all grant funds for the Bursledon Windmill within five years, however the LAC would like to support other community projects in the community with the savings.

Equality and Diversity Implications

23. The Equality Act is relevant to the decisions in this report because as the decisions relate to eliminating discrimination, advancing equality of opportunity, or fostering good relations between different people.
24. A full Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) has not been carried out, because while there are some equalities impacts, it is not proportionate to carry out a full EIA. However, an EIA or due diligence will need to be applied at the design stage of the proposed barriers at Norbury Gardens to ensure accessibility for all users.

Climate Change and Environmental Implications

25. The recommendations within this report will have a moderate impact in regard to climate change. If approved, the new bins being implemented will reduce the amount of litter being left and reduce the number of used dog foul bags left in green space. The planting of trees in Norbury Gardens combined with the restrictions to stop a resident parking their car on the green space will also have a small but positive impact on carbon reduction in the local area.

Conclusion

26. These recommendations are now submitted for Councillors' final approval from the Local Area Committee's available budgets.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 - SECTION 100D

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