

CHANDLER'S FORD AND HILTINGBURY LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 16 November 2022

FINANCIAL REPORT

Report of the Local Area Manager

Recommendation(s)

It is recommended that the Committee:

- (1) Approves the proposed fees and charges for 2023 set out in Appendix 1.
 - (2) Approves the allocation of £520 towards the cost of a room hire at The Hilt for youth provision from the CFH revenue reserves.
 - (3) Approves the allocation of £432.50 to install a dual waste bin to serve the area at the shops of Hiltingbury Road close to Kingsway crossroads from the CFH revenue reserves.
 - (4) Notes the achievements in the local area supported by the LAC, as detailed in Appendix 2.
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Summary

This report contains recommendations for expenditure from the Committee's developer contributions and identifies funding for provision to meet local need and to enhance the local area. The Local Area Committee's support is sought to enable their implementation.

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:
 - 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.

Fees and Charges

2. This report examines the effects of income received by the Council from fees and charges levied for services that are the responsibility of Chandler's Ford and Hiltingbury Local Area Committee (LAC).
3. LACs have the discretion to set fees for services devolved to their areas subject to compliance with the corporate target to generate an additional minimum yield from fees and charges of 10%.
4. The Service Manager has recommended increasing the fees and charges for Ramalley Cemetery from 1 January 2023, with the proposed charges for the coming year shown in Appendix 1.
5. It is recommended that Members of this Committee approve the proposed fees and charges outlined in Appendix 1

Room hire at the Hilt for youth provision

6. Youth Options have been engaging with young people in Chandler's Ford and Hiltingbury since June 2022 as part of a new service level agreement. As part of this process, they have conducted a consultation with the young people in Hiltingbury to find out the type of service they would like from Youth Options. From the findings of the consultation and based on the guidance of the Youth Options team, it is advised that the Hilt (the loft) would be a perfect location to operate youth provision from, during the winter months. This venue was used previously before Covid.
7. The cost to hire the Loft room at the Hilt is £26 per session. £26 x 20 weeks (end of March) = £520. It is therefore recommended that £520 is allocated from the CFH reserves to cover the cost of the venue hire for 2022/23.

Installation of dual waste bin at Hiltingbury Road

8. The CFH Committee has an ongoing programme for extending the coverage of dual waste bins and replacing worn out bins to help reduce litter across the local area.

9. Historical data held at EBC shows that there previously were 3 bins in place within this area of Hiltingbury Road, but these have since been removed. A Local Engagement Officer from Eastleigh Borough Council has visited the area by the Hiltingbury Road shops/Kingsway crossroads to investigate the need for a dual waste bin to be implemented. The recommendation is to install a dual waste bin by the local bus stop.
10. A standard Broxap Derby 120 litre dual waste bin is used and supplied across the Borough. The total supply and cost of fitting for each litter bin is £432.50. There is no additional cost to bins being emptied, which is apportioned locally. It is recommended that £432.50 is allocated from the CFH revenue reserves towards the cost and supply of this bin.

Financial Implications

11. All expenditure within this report can be funded from existing approved revenue budgets and reserves.

Risk Assessment

12. There is some risk to consider with the above recommendations. If the bins are not replaced, we would need to consider the reputational risk and the public health risk of bins not being installed.
13. If an indoor venue cannot be funded for youth provision for the winter period, there is an increased risk of anti-social behaviour close by and some young people may not be able to access the advice or services they need from Youth Options as young people may choose to congregate elsewhere.

Equality and Diversity Implications

14. The Equality Act is relevant to the decisions in this report because the decisions relate to eliminating discrimination, advancing equality of opportunity, or fostering good relations between different people.
15. A full Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) has not been carried out, because while there are some equalities impacted, it is not proportionate to conduct a full EIA, it is worth noting that the proposed indoor youth provision will have a positive impact on equality and diversity.

Climate Change and Environmental Implications

16. None of the proposals within this report will lead to increases in Greenhouse Gas/CO₂, or damage ecology or the environment.
17. While the proposed bin installation clearly improves the look feel of the public realm it also reduces pollution to watercourses and hazards to local wildlife and pets. The move to more robust metal bins, away from plastic, provides longer life and reduces the amount of toxic fumes from bin fires. They are also easier to repair.

Conclusion

18. The recommendations contained in this report are now submitted for Councillors' final approval and are to be funded from the Local Area Committee's revenue budget, revenue reserves and available developer contributions for the above projects.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 - SECTION 100D

The following is a list of documents which disclose facts or matters on which this report or an important part of it is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. This list does not include any published works or documents which would disclose exempt or confidential information.

None.