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REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE - 7 JUNE 2021

REPORT ON: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS; PLAY IMPROVEMENTS, SPEND TO SAVE AND CEMETERY INFRASTRUCTURE 2021/2022

REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

REPORT NO. 163-2021

#### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To gain Committee approval for further Environmental Improvements as part of the 2021/22 programme.

#### 2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 It is recommended that approval be given for the projects below at:-

| Project Reference<br>and<br>Project Description                                                       | Contractor             | Amount   | Fees    | Total<br>Amount |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------|---------|-----------------|
| Project No. C210004<br>Playground<br>Improvements:Play<br>Area gate replacement:<br>Phase 1 - various | Neighbourhood Services | £35,000  | £2,000  | £37,000         |
| Project No. C210017<br>Spend to Save: Phase<br>1 - various                                            | Neighbourhood Services | £143,362 | £21,503 | £164,865        |
| Project No. C210018<br>Cemetery Infrastructure                                                        | Neighbourhood Services | £52,000  | £7,800  | £59,800         |

#### 3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Executive Director of Corporate Services has confirmed that funding for the above projects is available through the Capital Plan 2021-2026 as detailed on the attached sheets.

# 4. MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 Reference is made to Item (V) of the Minute of the meeting of Policy and Resources Committee on 7 December 2015 Street Cleaning and Open Space Management review Report Number 438-2015, where there was agreement to introduce a programme of capital expenditure projects focused on environmental improvement. The proposed projects have been designed to improve and enhance the play provision for residents across Dundee.
- 4.2 These projects have been developed in consultation with Community Officers and local groups as appropriate and will comprise a number of improvements across the City.

### 5. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This report has been subject to an assessment of any impacts on Equality & Diversity, Fairness & Poverty, Environment and Corporate Risk. A copy of the Impact Assessment is available on the Council's website at <u>www.dundeecity.gov.uk/iia/reports</u>.

# 6. CONSULTATIONS

6.1 The Council Management Team have been consulted in the preparation of this report and are in agreement with its contents.

# 7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.

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17<sup>th</sup> May 2021

#### Appendix 1

| CLIENT                                  | NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
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| PROJECT NUMBER<br>PROJECT               | C210004<br>Play Area gate replacement phase 1 - various                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | C210017<br>Spend to Save: Phase 1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |
| PROJECT INFORMATION                     | There is a health and safety requirement to replace various gates within play<br>areas across the city with soft closing gates. Phase 1 will comprise<br>Whorterbank play area, Finlathen park play area, Camperdown park play<br>area, Stobsmuir park play area and Victoria park play area. | Following internal and external Green Flag assessments, areas of<br>improvement have been identified to enhance our parks and green spaces to<br>make them safer and more attractive places to enjoy. This shall include<br>infrastructure improvements such as path works, fencing works, signage and<br>new planting. Upon completion of works, the following areas will be<br>enhanced:-                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  |
|                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul> <li>Lochee park: Installation of vehicular access tiles to create vehicle/<br/>wheelchair access to picnic benches and Fruitbowl.</li> <li>Magdalen Green Picnic Benches: Installation of concrete pads<br/>around benches.</li> <li>Camperdown Park duck pond and fire pond improvements:<br/>Renewal of Duck House, new marginal planting, construction of<br/>pond dipping platforms and installation of interpretative signage<br/>(fire pond).</li> <li>Dudhope Park environmental improvements: Replacement of<br/>perimeter fencing and new tree plantation.</li> <li>Broughty Ferry Local Nature Reserve: Improvement to path works<br/>to alleviate drainage issues on site.</li> <li>Victoria Park environmental improvements: Redesign of entrance<br/>planting, including relocation of Phormiums to create a safer, more<br/>welcoming space. Works also include improvements to Rose<br/>Garden paths and new path to play area.</li> <li>Pitkerro Grove planting: Redesign and complementary planting to<br/>entrance and Reflection garden.</li> <li>Baxter Park planting: Redesign and complementary planting to<br/>entrance.</li> <li>Castle Green: Renewal of existing asphalt path (to address health<br/>and safety concern around Dolphin flower bed).</li> </ul> |  |
| ESTIMATED START DATE<br>COMPLETION DATE | July 2021<br>October 2021                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | July 2021<br>October 2021                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| TOTAL COST                              | £37,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | £164,865                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |
| FUNDING SOURCE                          | Capital Plan 2021-26/Health, Care & Wellbeing/Parks & Open Spaces (Play Framework Improvements)                                                                                                                                                                                               | Capital Plan 2021-26/Health, Care & Wellbeing/Parks & Open Spaces (Spend to Save)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |
| BUDGET PROVISION &<br>PHASING           | 2021/2022                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2021/2022                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| ADDITIONAL FUNDING                      | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |

| REVENUE IMPLICATIONS | There are no major issues       | There are no major issues        |  |
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| POLICY IMPLICATIONS  | None                            | None                             |  |
| TENDERS              | Neighbourhood Services: £37,000 | Neighbourhood Services: £164,865 |  |
| RECOMMENDATION       | Acceptance of offer             | Acceptance of offer              |  |
| SUB-CONTRACTORS      | None                            | None                             |  |
| BACKGROUND PAPERS    | None                            | None                             |  |

| PROJECT NUMBER<br>PROJECT               | C210018<br>Cemetery Infrastructure                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| PROJECT INFORMATION                     | All cemeteries - replacement of water stations<br>Pitkerro Grove Cemetery - Installation of concrete plinths<br>Eastern Cemetery and Barnhill Cemetery – Installation of road kerb<br>Eastern Cemetery – Creation of hardstanding outside material bays |
| ESTIMATED START DATE<br>COMPLETION DATE | July 2021<br>October 2021                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| TOTAL COST                              | £59,800                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| FUNDING SOURCE                          | Capital Plan 2021-26/ Service Provision/Cemeteries                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| BUDGET PROVISION &<br>PHASING           | 2021/2022                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| ADDITIONAL FUNDING                      | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| REVENUE IMPLICATIONS                    | There are no major issues                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| POLICY IMPLICATIONS                     | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| TENDERS                                 | Neighbourhood Services: £59,800                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| RECOMMENDATION                          | Acceptance of offers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| SUB-CONTRACTORS                         | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| BACKGROUND PAPERS                       | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |