

4 PUBLIC OPEN SPACE IMPROVEMENTS 2011/12 (AN176-2011)

Proposals to undertake Public Open Space Improvements at a number of locations have been developed to address existing health and safety concerns and to enhance the amenity of these areas. The proposed measures will also help reduce the long term future maintenance burden.

1.	Falkland Crescent - Remove high maintenance shrubs, prepare and plant new low maintenance shrub beds.	£2,300
2.	31 - 49 Benvie Road - Pruning, thinning out and removal of high maintenance shrub areas.	£2,250
3.	54 - 58 Ballantrae Place - Clear out rear area and cultivate for grass.	£1,150
4.	Whitfield Rise - Remove high maintenance shrubs, cultivate for grass and plant 9 trees.	£2,700
5.	Baxter Street - Pruning, thinning out and removal of high maintenance shrub areas.	£2,400
6.	Rosebank Street - Removal of high maintenance shrub bed at north of park and cultivate for grass.	£2,000
7.	North West Radial Route - Remove high maintenance shrub areas, crown lift trees and replant with specimen shrubs.	£10,500
8.	Ward Road/West Marketgait - Removal of high maintenance shrub area and cultivate for grass. Plant 5 specimen shrubs/trees.	£1,200
9.	Whitehazel Park - Removal of high maintenance shrub area, crown lift trees, replant with low maintenance shrubs and erect new fence.	£4,500
10.	Logie Avenue Phase 3 - Removal of difficult to maintain grass area and plant up with new low maintenance shrubs.	£5,000

11.	Dunbar Park/Aberlady Crescent - Refurbishment of larch tree area.	£8,800
12.	Aberdour/Abernethy Road - Remove high maintenance shrub area and cultivate for grass. Mulch bed and carry out replanting with low maintenance shrubs.	£3,200
13.	Kinghorne Road Fencing - Upgrade section of existing perimeter fence	£4,000
	TOTAL	£50,000

The Director of Finance advises that the above costs of £50,000 can be met from allowances for Public Open Spaces Improvements within the Environment Department's capital budget 2011-2012. It is recommended that the above proposals be approved and the Director of Environment be authorised to undertake these works.

5 ADDITIONAL REFUSE DERIVED FUEL FROM ANGUS COUNCIL (AN177-2011)

During optimum performance at the Dundee Energy Recycling Limited (DERL) Energy-from-Waste Plant, Dundee City Council is able to direct all its non-recyclable residual waste there as fuel, however at times, the plant still has a requirement for additional refuse derived fuel (RDF). Angus Council has requested to Dundee City Council to deliver some of their civic amenity waste during such periods. This is on a trial basis to assess the benefits to all three parties. The material will be processed into RDF at Dundee City Council's Baldovie Plant and will then be provided to DERL.

The associated charges and conditions to each party will be as per the existing waste contract plus an additional processing fee per tonne to Dundee City Council.

This arrangement will provide Dundee City Council and DERL with an additional income, will provide a higher level of fuel-stock during optimum plant running and will allow Angus Council to further reduce the amount of waste that they send to landfill.

Committee is asked to approve this arrangement.