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REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE – 13 JANUARY 2020

REPORT ON: DUNDEE LAW HERITAGE PROJECT – PHASE 2

REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

REPORT NO. 16-2020

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To update Committee on progress with the Dundee Law Heritage Project and to seek authority to progress with Phase 2 of the planned improvement works and actions.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 It is recommended that Committee approve the proposed Phase 2 improvement works and instruct the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services to undertake these works.

Project Reference and Project Description	Contractor	Amount	Fees	Total Amount
Dundee Law Heritage Project Phase 2	Neighbourhood Services	£34,000	£2,000	£36,000

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Executive Director of Corporate Services has confirmed that funding for the above projects is available as detailed in Appendix 1.

4. MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 Reference is made to Article II of the minute of the Environment Committee of 26th October 2015 which approved the Dundee Law Heritage Project Phase 1 (report 393-2015 refers) when the Director of Environment was remitted to undertake Phase 1 improvement works and noted that a report would be brought back to committee on the Phase 2 works (Appendix 2) and funding (Appendix 1).
- 4.2 Phase 1 of the Law Heritage Project has been completed. Achievements in Phase 1 have included:
 - the reconstruction of access steps, replacement of footpaths and drainage, renewal of seating and bollards, installation of new interpretive and directional signage.
 - Establishment of a Friends of Dundee Law with volunteers involved with creation of wildflower meadows, planting new trees and shrubs as well as helping keep the Law looking well maintained through litter picks.
 - Community participation activities led by a temporary officer, engaging schools and leading volunteer activities and community participation days.
 - A new website, <u>www.dundeelaw.info</u> celebrating the historical and cultural significance of the Law, with a range of state of the art videos and interpretation.
 - Green Flag Award
 - 30% increase in the number of people using the paths and steps around the Law
- 4.3 Phase 1 of the Law Heritage Project was completed within budget.

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 www.dundeecity.gov.uk/iia/reports.

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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3rd December 2019

Appendix 1

CLIENT	NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES	
PROJECT NUMBER PROJECT	PC190026 Dundee Law Heritage Project - Phase 2	
PROJECT INFORMATION	Phase 2 of the Law Heritage Project shall continue to enhance through access improvements and woodland restructuring, including tree felling and replacement planting. New infrastructure will include additional benches and information signage, and a path will be widened and resurfaced.	
ESTIMATED START DATE COMPLETION DATE	14 th January 2020 31 st March 2020	
TOTAL COST	Works £34,000 Fees £2000 Total £36,000	
FUNDING SOURCE	Capital – allowances for Parks and Open Spaces within the Health, Care and Wellbeing section of the general services capital plan 2019-24£18,000	
BUDGET PROVISION & PHASING	2019/20	
ADDITIONAL FUNDING	Scottish Forestry - £10,000 Heritage Lottery Fund - £8000	
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS	There are no major issues.	
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	None	
TENDERS	Offer Price	
	Neighbourhood Services: £36,000	
RECOMMENDATION	Acceptance of offer	
SUB-CONTRACTORS	None	
BACKGROUND PAPERS	None	

Appendix 2



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