

**ITEM No ...4.....**

**REPORT TO:** CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT AND BIODIVERSITY COMMITTEE –  
21 AUGUST 2023

**REPORT ON:** ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT WORKS 2023/24

**REPORT BY:** EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

**REPORT NO.** 217 2023

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To gain Committee approval for further Environmental Improvements as part of the 2023/24 programme.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

<b>Project Reference and Project Description</b>	<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Fees</b>	<b>Total Amount</b>
Project No. C230003 Play Area Improvements: Phase 3 Play Gate Replacement	<b>P&amp;G Blacksmiths</b>	£36,000	£1,000	£37,000
Project No. C230004 Cemetery Infrastructure	<b>Tayside Contracts P &amp; G Blacksmiths Neighbourhood services</b>	£22,650	£1,350	£24,000
Project No. C230005 Roundabout Improvements (Riverside Drive)	<b>Tayside Contracts Neighbourhood Services</b>	£47,500	£2,500	£50,000
Project No. C230006 Dudhope Park Environmental Improvements	<b>P &amp; G Blacksmiths Neighbourhood Services</b>	£38,550	£1,240	£39,790
Project No. C230007 East End Ward Adventure Trail	<b>Scotplay &amp; Sports Ltd</b>	£65,000	£0	£65,000
Project No C230008 Camperdown Development Plan Phase 3	<b>P&amp;G Blacksmiths Neighbourhood Services</b>	£27,082	£2,000	£29,082

**3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The Executive Director of Corporate Services has confirmed that funding for the above projects is available through the updated Capital Plan 2023-2028 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 open spaces and cemeteries to make them safer and more attractive places to enjoy 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 Integrated Impact Assessment to identify impacts on Equality & Diversity, Fairness & Poverty, Environment and Corporate Risk. An impact, positive or negative, on one or more of these issues was identified. An appropriate senior manager has checked and agreed with this assessment. A copy of the Integrated Impact Assessment showing the impacts and accompanying benefits of/ mitigating factors for them is included as an Appendix to this report.

#### **6. CONSULTATIONS**

- 6.1 The Council Leadership Team have been consulted on the preparation of this report and agree with its contents.

#### **7. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 7.1 None.

Elaine Zwirlein  
**Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services**

Tony Boyle  
**Head of Environment**

7 August 2023

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PROJECT NUMBER	<b>C230003</b>  <b>Play Area Improvements: Phase 3 Play Gate Replacement</b>  Improve and replace gates within play areas across the city with soft closing alternative. Phase 3 will comprise of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 x Mill O' Mains Park</li> <li>• 1 x Bridge Street</li> <li>• 2 x Sandeman Street</li> <li>• 2 x Pitarlie Road</li> <li>• 1 x Fintry Drive</li> <li>• 2 x Abercromby Street</li> </ul>	<b>C230004</b>  <b>Cemetery Infrastructure</b>  Infrastructure improvement works to include kerbing at Birkhill, Barnhill and Eastern cemeteries. Installation of 4 no. new benches at Western Cemetery.																																				
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TOTAL COST	£37,000	£24,000																																				
FUNDING SOURCE	Capital Plan 2023/28, Build Resilient and Empowered Communities, Enhancement of Parks and Open Spaces	Capital Plan 2023/28, Design a Modern Council, Cemeteries																																				
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PROJECT NUMBER	<b>C230005</b> <b>Roundabout Improvements (Riverside Drive)</b> Hard and soft landscaping improvements at Riverside East Roundabout, Riverside Inn Roundabout and Tesco Roundabout. This will entail refreshing planting areas with regional specific plants that are stress / drought tolerant. The project aims to improve visibility / sightlines along this important Ambassador route into the city centre.	<b>C230006</b> <b>Dudhope Park Environmental Improvements</b> Replacement of fencing and installation of concrete bases for benches. Tree and shrub planting and removal of Leylandii hedge to west of the tennis courts. The project also includes minor works to the retaining wall at Lochee Road.																																
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## Integrated Impact Assessment

Committee Report Number: 217-2023

Document Title: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT WORKS 2023/24

Document Type: Service

Description:

Report to gain committee approval for proposed Environmental Improvements; part of the 2023/24 capital programme Intended Outcome:

Approval of report

recommendations Period Covered  
: 22/08/2023 to 31/03/2024

Monitoring:

Progress of individual projects will be reviewed and evaluated as part of the contract monitoring/ programme monitoring process.

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## **Equality, Diversity and Human Rights** **Impacts & Implications**

Age: No Impact

Disability: No Impact

Gender Reassignment: No Impact

Marriage & Civil Partnership: No Impact

Pregenancy & Maternity: No Impact

Race / Ethnicity: No Impact

Religion or Belief: No Impact

Sex: No Impact

Sexual Orientation: No Impact

Are any Human Rights not covered by the Equalities questions above impacted by this report?

No

## **Fairness & Poverty** **Geographic Impacts & Implications**

Strathmartine: Positive

Lochee: Not Known

Coldside: Positive

Maryfield: Not Known

North East: Positive

East End: Positive

The Ferry: Positive

West End: Positive

Positive Implications: The proposed improvements will have a positive impact on the wards they are located in.



## **Household Group Impacts and Implications**

Looked After Children & Care Leavers: Not Known  
N/A  
Carers: Not Known

## **Household Group Impacts and Implications**

N/A  
Lone Parent Families: Not Known  
N/A  
Single Female Households with Children: Not Known  
N/A  
Greater number of children and/or young children: Not Known  
N/A  
Pensioners - single / couple: Not Known  
N/A  
Unskilled workers or unemployed: Not Known  
N/A  
Serious & enduring mental health problems: Not Known  
N/A  
Homeless: Not Known  
N/A  
Drug and/or alcohol problems: Not Known  
N/A  
Offenders & Ex-offenders: Not Known  
N/A

## **Socio Economic Disadvantage Impacts & Implications**

Employment Status: Not Known  
N/A  
Education & Skills: Not Known  
N/A  
Income: Not Known  
N/A  
Caring Responsibilities (including Childcare): Not Known  
N/A  
Affordability and accessibility of services: Not Known  
N/A  
Fuel Poverty: Not Known  
N/A  
  
Cost of Living / Poverty Premium: Not Known  
N/A  
Connectivity / Internet Access: Not Known  
N/A  
Income / Benefit Advice / Income Maximisation: Not Known  
N/A  
Employment Opportunities: Not Known  
N/A  
Education: Not Known  
N/A

Health: Not Known

N/A

Life Expectancy: Not Known

N/A

Mental Health: Not Known

N/A

Overweight / Obesity: Not Known

N/A

Child Health: Not Known

N/A

Neighbourhood Satisfaction: Positive

The proposed improvements should increase neighbourhood satisfaction within the wards they are located in.

Impact on the rest of the city is unknown.

Transport: Not Known

N/A

## **Environment**

### **Climate Change Impacts**

Mitigating Greenhouse Gases: Not Known

N/A

Adapting to the effects of climate change: Not Known N/A

### **Resource Use Impacts**

Energy efficiency & consumption: Not Known

N/A

Prevention, reduction, re-use, recovery or recycling of waste: Not Known

N/A

Sustainable Procurement: Not Known

N/A

### **Transport Impacts**

Accessible transport provision: Not Known

N/A

Sustainable modes of transport: Not Known

N/A

### **Natural Environment Impacts**

Air, land & water quality: Positive

Proposed projects will enhance our parks and open spaces for the public to enjoy.

Biodiversity: Positive

Soft Landscaping improvements will increase Dundee's biodiversity offering.

Open & green spaces: Positive

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## **Built Environment Impacts**

Built Heritage: Not Known

N/A

Housing: Not Known

N/A

Is the proposal subject to a Strategic Assessment? No further action is required as it does not qualify as a Plan, Programme or Strategy as defined by the Environmental Assessment (SEA) Regulations 2004 / Environment Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005.

## **Corporate Risk Corporate Risk Impacts**

Political Reputational Risk: No Impact

Economic/Financial Sustainability / Security & Equipment: No Impact

Social Impact / Safety of Staff & Clients: No Impact

Technological / Business or Service Interruption: No Impact

Environmental: No Impact

Legal / Statutory Obligations: No Impact

Organisational / Staffing & Competence: No Impact

## **Corporate Risk Implications & Mitigation:**

The risk implications associated with the subject matter of this report are "business as normal" risks and any increase to the level of risk to the Council is minimal. This is due either to the risk being inherently low or as a result of the risk being transferred in full or in part to another party on a fair and equitable basis. The subject matter is routine and has happened many times before without significant impact.

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