

REPORT FROM: HOUSING, HEALTH AND ENGINEERING MANAGER

TO: NELSON, BRIERFIELD & REEDLEY COMMITTEE

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CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2021/22

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To update members on the Committee's capital budget.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That members note all of the budget is committed.
- (2) That members note the schemes listed in Appendix 1.
- (3) That members consider the bids detailed in paragraph 8 and 9 in accordance with money already committed for such schemes.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

To enable the capital programme to be allocated effectively.

ISSUE

Uncommitted funds carried forward from 2020/21

1. Nelson Committee – Nil Brierfield and Reedley Committee - £28

Allocation for 2021/22

2. £78,270

Effective Total Allocation for 2021/22

3. £78,298 (i.e. £78,270 + £28)

Commitments

4. £188,414

Uncommitted funds

5. £0

Financial Advice (as reported to all area committees in May 2018)

6. Committee Members are reminded that, as outlined in the Capital Programme and Strategy 2018/21 report to the Council on Thursday 22nd February 2018, only items of a capital nature can be funded from the area committee budgets. As such all bids must be reviewed by Financial Services prior to their inclusion on the agenda for each meeting so as to determine whether the bids are capital or revenue. If not reviewed beforehand, bids will need to be ratified as capital expenditure at a later date and agreement to allocate funds will need to be made at the following meeting.
7. Bids for funding should be submitted on the May 2018 revised forms (Form A for internal bids, Form B for external bids and Form C for Ward Initiatives) so that they can be evaluated on a consistent basis. Please refer to the financial implications section of this report.

New/Deferred Bids

8. PBC bid £4,243 – Resurfacing of Back Streets in Nelson (appendix 3). To be funded from the Nelson Town Council – Highway Improvements in Nelson allocation (appendix 1, scheme 5).
9. PBC bid £3,272 – Reinstatement at Back 75-77 Every St. and Back 7-9 Chatham St. Nelson (appendix 4). To be funded from the Nelson Town Council – Highway Improvements in Nelson allocation (appendix 1, scheme 5).
10. No late bids or funding allocations are to be made unless, with the consent of the Chairman, the bid is considered to be an urgent item. If a late/urgent bid is approved and is in the opinion of the Chief Finance Officer a revenue item then the decision will be reported to the Policy and Resources Committee for determination. No payment will be made in respect of the bid pending a resolution by the Policy and Resources Committee.

Existing Bids

Underspend – Deallocate Funding

11. None.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy: The capital programme is required to be allocated and managed in accordance with the Council's Corporate Capital Strategy 2018/21.

Financial: Expenditure for capital purposes is primarily expenditure on the acquisition, reclamation or enhancement of assets (eg buildings, land, plant and machinery). "Enhancement" means substantially lengthening the useful life of the asset, substantially increasing its open market value or substantially increasing the use of the asset. Other expenditure for capital purposes can include

computer costs (for use over a period exceeding one year) and incidental costs involved in a capital project (eg officers' salaries and professional fees). Anything not covered by "proper practices" (Section 21(2) of the Local Government Act 2003) must be treated as revenue expenditure. Under no circumstances can the capital allocation be used to fund revenue expenditure.

A list of good practice in the allocation of funding has been proposed by the Council's Chief Finance Officer in order to assist members when considering the allocation of the capital budgets. The list is as follows:

1. The funding should assist a scheme which contributes to meeting the Council's corporate priorities.
2. Allocate reasonable amounts to projects early to allow for effective planning and implementation.
3. Look for opportunities to maximise the effectiveness of the allocation through match funding.
4. Consider allowing some contingency for projects that may be presented during the year.
5. Try to avoid allocation of funds at the end of the financial year.
6. Consider the revenue consequences of capital schemes in terms of ongoing cost.

Legal: There are legal implications for a number of the proposals listed above in terms of necessary permissions, agreements and possible long-term liabilities and responsibilities.

Risk Management: The capital programme is required to be allocated and managed in accordance with the Council's policies and procedures. The proper management of the programme is intended to minimise any exposure to unnecessary risk associated with the programme and the individual schemes within it.

Health and Safety: The implementation of the programme has associated risks in terms of health and safety. The Council is required to meet all relevant legal requirements for the effective management of health and safety risk and has policies and procedures in place to ensure health and safety standards are maintained.

Climate Change: Some of the schemes identified will encourage the reduction of carbon emissions, such as traffic calming schemes and cycle facility provision.

Community Safety: A number of the schemes listed above have implications in terms of community safety. Wherever possible, the projects are managed in a way that enhances community safety.

Equality and Diversity: The capital programme is required to be allocated and managed in accordance with the Council's policies and procedures, including those relating to equality and diversity.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Nelson, Brierfield and Reedley Committee Commitments

Appendix 2: Breakdown of Ward Initiatives

Appendix 3: PBC Bid 1

Appendix 4: PBC Bid 2

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS None.

Nelson, Brierfield and Reedley Committee Commitments 2021/22

Appendix 1

(Shaded schemes are completed)

| Sch. No. | Date Allocated and Scheme Details | Lead Officer/ Service Area | c/f from previous Years | Allocated 2021/22 | Total Allocation | In-Year Spend | Remaining | Status of Scheme/Remarks |
|----------|--|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------|---|
| 1 | Nelson c/f £34,069 B'Field & Reedley c/f £3,000 07/06/21 - £20,000 Town Centre Premises Improvement Grants | M Williams (PERS) | £37,069 | £20,000 | £57,069 | £9,900 | £47,169 | Breakdown of grants available on request from M Williams/ D McCarthy. |
| 2 | 03/06/19 - £4,500 07/06/21 - £4,200 Ward initiatives | J Mousdale (HHES) | £640 | £3,860 | £4,500 | £600 | £3,900 | £640 carried forward. £300 of this to Marsden Community Primary School and £340 was deallocated on 07/06/21. Then £4,200 allocated i.e. £300 per councillor. See Appendix 2 |
| 3 | 03/06/19 - £4,000 Nelson Town centre works | S Whalley (HHES) | £3,870 | -£3,870 | £0 | £0 | £0 | £3,870 deallocated on 07/06/21. |
| 4 | 30/11/20 - £1,000 Nelson Town Centre Controlled Parking Zone | N Yates (HHES) | £1,000 | -£1,000 | £0 | £0 | £0 | £1,000 deallocated on 07/06/21. |
| 5 | 29/03/21 - £67,000 – Budget split. See schemes 5(a) & 5(b) Nelson Town Council – Highway Improvements in Nelson | S Whalley (HHES) | £47,000 | £0 | £47,000 | £0 | £47,000 | 02/08/21 - £15,000 to scheme 5(a) 28/02/22 - £5,000 to scheme 5(b) |

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|----------|---|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------|---|
| 5(a) | Back Street Improvements in Whitefield and Walverden | G Aspey (HHES) | £15,000 | £0 | £15,000 | £0 | £15,000 | Part of scheme 5 |
| 5(b) | Tarmac footpath rear of 41-49 Hibson Rd. and resurface Back Lime/Swaine St. | S Whalley (HHES) | £5,000 | £0 | £5,000 | £0 | £5,000 | Part of scheme 5 |
| 6 | 29/03/21 - £3,234 Street Light – Regent Place/Regent Street | T Wilson (HHES) | £3,234 | £0 | £3,234 | £0 | £3,234 | Location to be agreed in consultation with Cllr M Sakib. |
| 7 | 13/06/17 - £600 Litter and dog waste bins | C Taylor (ES) | £478 | -£478 | £0 | £0 | £0 | £478 deallocated on 07/06/21. |
| 8 | 08/07/20 - £3,000 Brierfield Town centre premises improvement grants | D McCarthy (PERS) | £0 | £0 | £0 | £0 | £0 | See Scheme 1. |
| 9 | 11/05/10 - £2,500 Flood prevention works within the Brierfield and Reedley area | S Whalley (HHES) | £2,500 | -£2,500 | £0 | £0 | £0 | £2,500 deallocated on 07/06/21. |
| 10 | 01/03/16 - £3,500 Provision of a speed indicator device | J Mousdale (HHES) | £2,520 | £0 | £2,520 | £0 | £2,520 | No further funding can be allocated for this. Ongoing - LCC have been asked to manage the device in line with the remaining budget. |
| 11 | 13/06/17 - £500 Blocked and Missing gully grates | S Whalley (HHES) | £500 | £0 | £500 | £0 | £500 | |

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| 12 | 06/11/19 - £2,500 Refurbishment of Brierfield Town Centre | S Whalley (HHES) | £2,500 | -£2,500 | £0 | £0 | £0 | £2,500 deallocated on 07/06/21. |
| 13 | 07/10/20 - £2,000 Various Brierfield highway improvements | S Whalley (HHES) | £515 | -£515 | £0 | £0 | £0 | £515 deallocated on 07/06/21. |
| 14 | 07/06/21 - £13,950 Capital Projects – Bradley | S Whalley (HHES) | | £12,950 | £12,950 | £0 | £12,950 | 04/10/21 - £1,000 to scheme 19. |
| 15 | 07/06/21 - £13,950 – Budget split. See scheme 15(a) Capital Projects - Brierfield East and Cloverhill | | | £5,950 | £5,950 | £0 | £5,950 | 28/02/22 - £8,000 to scheme 15(a) |
| 15(a) | New tarmac surface to various back streets in Brierfield and Reedley (as detailed in bid submission 28/02/22) | S Whalley (HHES) | | £8,000 | £8,000 | £0 | £8,000 | This is part of scheme 15. Brierfield Town Council to contribute towards this scheme. |
| 16 | 07/06/21 - £9,501 – Budget split. See schemes 16(a) & 16(b) Capital Projects - Brierfield West and Reedley | | | £0 | £0 | £0 | £0 | 06/09/21 - £630 to scheme 16(a) 28/02/22 - £8,871 to scheme 16(b) |
| 16(a) | Back Street 167-185 Halifax Rd. Removal of trees and shrubs | S Whalley (HHES) | | £630 | £630 | £630 | £0 | This is part of Scheme 16 Completed |
| 16(b) | New tarmac surface to various back streets in Brierfield and Reedley (as detailed in bid submission 28/02/22) | S Whalley (HHES) | | £8,871 | £8,871 | £0 | £8,871 | This is part of scheme 16. Brierfield Town Council to contribute towards this scheme. |

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| 17 | 07/06/21 - £13,950 – Budget split. Also see scheme 17(a) Capital Projects - Marsden and Southfield | | | £9,950 | £9,950 | £0 | £9,950 | 04/10/21 - £1,000 to scheme 19 31/01/22 - £3,000 to scheme 17(a) |
| 17(a) | Improvements to Southfield Street Steps | T Partridge (ES) | | £3,000 | £3,000 | £0 | £3,000 | This is part of scheme 17 |
| 18 | 07/06/21 - £13,950 – Budget split. Also see scheme 18(a) Capital Projects - Whitefield and Walverden | | | £11,370 | £11,370 | £0 | £11,370 | 02/08/21 - £590 to scheme 18(a). £10 underspend. 04/10/21 - £2,000 to scheme 19 |
| 18(a) | Lighting Column rear of Lowther St. | G Aspey (HHES) | | £580 | £580 | £580 | £0 | This is part of scheme 18 Completed |
| 19 | 04/10/21 - £4,000 (from schemes 14, 17 & 18) Refurbishment of Street Furniture at Nelson Town Centre | S Whalley (HHES) | | £4,000 | £4,000 | £0 | £4,000 | |
| | Subtotal | | £121,826 | £78,298 | £200,124 | £11,710 | £188,414 | |
| | Un-allocated Funds | | £28 | -£28 | £0 | - | £0 | |
| | Total Funds Available 20/21 | | £121,854 | £78,270 | £200,124 | £11,710 | £188,414 | |

Breakdown of Ward Initiatives 2021/22 (Scheme 2)

Appendix 2

| WARD | COUNCILLOR | ALLOCATION | SPEND | REMAINING | DETAILS |
|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|--|
| Bradley | Mohammad Aslam | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Bradley | Mohammed Iqbal | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Bradley | Mohammad Sakib | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Brierfield East and Clover Hill | Zafar Ali | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Brierfield East and Clover Hill | Eileen Ansar | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Brierfield East and Clover Hill | Naeem Ashraf | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Brierfield West and Reedley | Mohammad Hanif | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Brierfield West and Reedley | Yasser Iqbal | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Marsden and Southfield | Mohammed Adnan | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Marsden and Southfield | Karen Howarth | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Marsden and Southfield | Neil McGowan | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Whitefield and Walverden | Faraz Ahmed | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Whitefield and Walverden | Ruby Anwar | £300 | £0 | £300 | |
| Whitefield and Walverden | Asjad Mahmood | £300 | £300 | £0 | £213 payment pending - new litter bin on Manchester Road. £87 payment pending - to top-up scheme 5(b) |
| TOTAL | | £4,200 | £300 | £3,900 | |

**BID FOR CAPITAL FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEES
PRO FORMA**

A. Short project title: Resurfacing of Back Streets in Nelson

B. Bid submitted by: Scott Whalley

C. On behalf of (please include contact details): Nelson, Brierfield & Reedley AC..

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D. Amount requested: £ 4,243.....

E. Brief details of project: The Engineering Section have tendered the surfacing of back 28-44 Maurice Street and Back 26-42 Victoria Street. The tender figure is £8,376.23 and it is being funded from the £15,000 allocation in scheme 5(a). Adjoining streets Back 7-17, Westmoreland Street and Back 168-178 Every Street are in an equally poor and dangerous condition and therefore it would be prudent to surface these two back streets whilst we have the Contractor on site. The cost to surface these two streets is £10,866.32. Therefore a further £4,242.55 is required in addition to the £15,000 allocation in 5(a).....

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F. Main outcomes to be achieved: Improved amenity and safety for residents

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G. When will project be implemented? Scheme will be progressed when funds are allocated from the Area Committee.....

H. Who will undertake the project works? An approved Local Contractor

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I. Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere? No

If so, please give details:

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J. Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?

No

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**BID FOR CAPITAL FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEES
PRO FORMA**

A. Short project title: Highway Collapse Reinstatement at Back 75-77 Every Street and Back 7-9 Chatham Street Nelson.....

B. Bid submitted by: Scott Whalley

C. On behalf of (please include contact details): Nelson, Brierfield & Reedley AC..
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D. Amount requested: £ 3,272.....

E. Brief details of project: The Engineering Section have been approached by residents at the above two locations to investigate undertaking major repair work to sections of the unadopted back streets. Both back streets are subject to sub-surface collapses which need repairing asap as they are very dangerous. Quotes have been received for the works - £1,722.65 for Back Chatham Street and £1,548.80 for Back Every Street

F. Main outcomes to be achieved: Improved amenity and safety for residents

G. When will project be implemented? Scheme will be progressed when funds are allocated from the Area Committee.....

H. Who will undertake the project works? An approved Local Contractor

I. Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere? No

If so, please give details:

J. Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?
No