

REPORT FROM: HEAD OF ECONOMIC GROWTH

TO: NELSON, BRIERFIELD AND REEDLEY COMMITTEE

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LAND AND PARKING AREA BY SURE START NURSERY, BRUNSWICK STREET, NELSON

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To put forward two options for Members to consider to help alleviate the issues associated with parking and abandoned vehicles on site.

RECOMMENDATION

That Members consider the two options outlined in the report along with their associated costs and decide which option, if any, they wish to proceed with.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

To alleviate problems with parking and abandoned vehicles at Brunswick Street, Nelson.

ISSUE

- 1. It was reported at the September meeting that there were issues with cars being abandoned or parked on the triangular piece of land off Brunswick Street, Nelson, adjacent to number 44, near to the Sure Start Nursery.
- 2. The problem has been referred to the Community Protection Co-ordinator who has issued a Community Protection Warning. However, the problem has continued.
- 3. The Engineering Department had previously suggested that bollards be installed along the footway to prevent people parking on the site.
- 4. However, Members felt that more could be done to improve the site and asked that we consider the removal of the four parking spaces and introduce seating and tree planting at a later date, if funding allowed.
- 5. Engineers met with Councillors on site to consider the different options, and these are set out below.

- (a) Option 1 bollards to stop people parking on the paving (see attached plan which shows seven bollards). There are various options for the bollards at different costs but the overall cost including installation is estimated at £1,500. There is the option to install more bollards but the cost would increase accordingly (see Appendix 1, Option 1).
- (b) Option 2 bow-top fencing is proposed for Option 2 instead of bollards. It is proposed to fence off the area, including the car parking area, to prevent any parking on the triangular piece of land. The bow-top fencing would be spaced out to include gaps of approximately 1m to allow free-flow of pedestrians across the site. The option is estimated to cost £3,200 (see Appendix 2, Option 2).
- 6. Councillors put forward a suggestion that we approach the Sure Start Nursery to find out if they would like to use any of the car parking spaces for staff parking. This would require further consultation with the Nursery and would require drop-down bollards with keys for staff to manage and use at an additional cost.
- 7. There is some funding for this site as it is on the Problem Sites List held by Engineers which has money ringfenced for particular sites. This is one of the Problem Sites on that list.
- 8. If a larger scheme is required, to include trees and benches, then we would need to submit a bid to the Area Committee Budget for the additional funding required.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy: None arising from this report.

Financial: The costs for Options 1 and 2 are included in paragraph 5. These can be covered by the Council's Problem Sites budget. However, if Councillors prefer a larger scheme then funding would need to be sought elsewhere or a bid would need to be submitted for the Area Committee Budget.

Legal: The land belongs to Pendle Borough Council (PBC) and so no permissions are required as long as the scheme is carried out within PBC land and does not encroach into the footway, which belongs to Lancashire County Council Highways and is adopted.

Risk Management: None arising from this report.

Health and Safety: None arising from this report.

Climate Change: None arising from this report.

Community Safety: Introducing bollards or bow-top fencing to the site will prevent cars parking on the site which would improve safety for people accessing the site and especially parents and children attending the Sure Start Nursery.

Equality and Diversity: None arising from this report.

APPENDICES:

Appendix 1: Option 1. Appendix 2: Option 2.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS: None.

Option 1

Brunswick Street - Bollards

Option 1 – Can come in jet black. For 7 bollards - £588.35

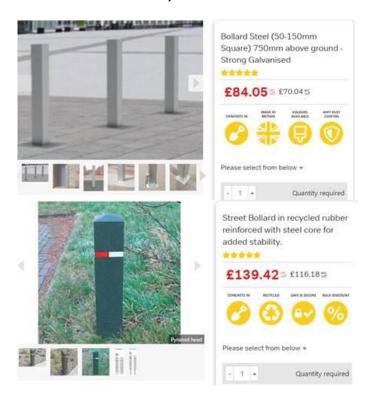
Option 2 – Recycled material. For 7 - £975.94

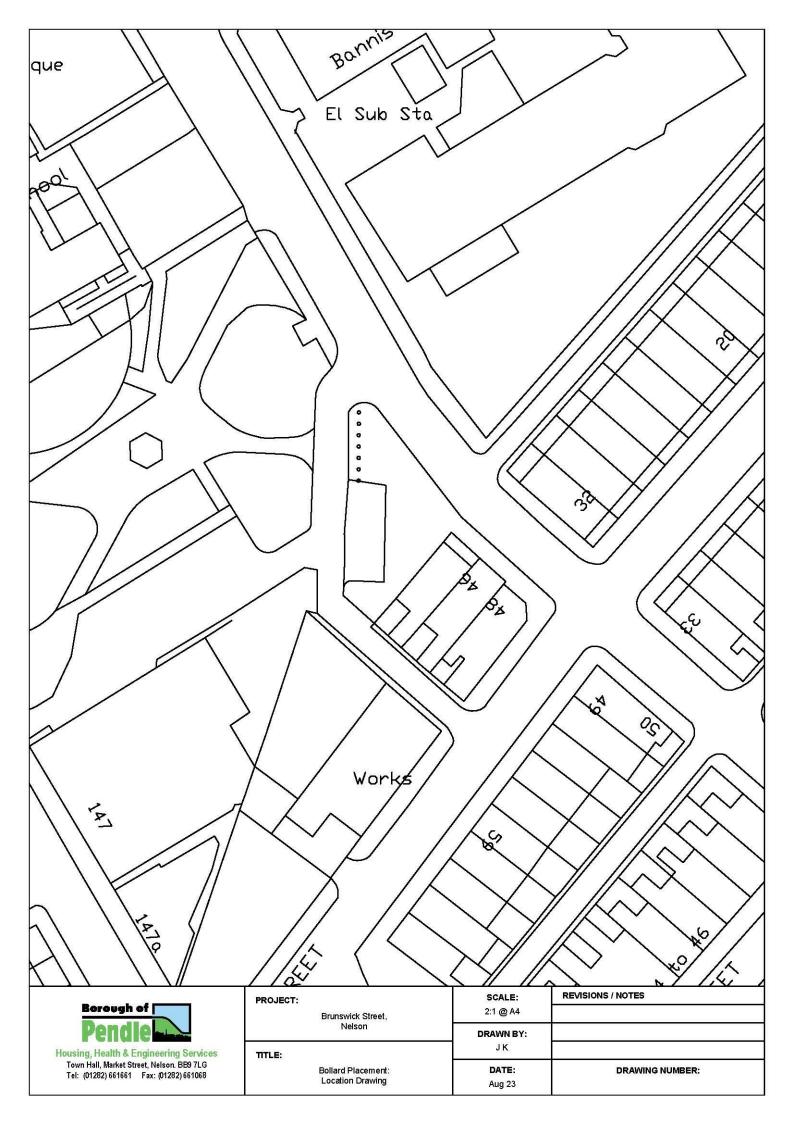
Option 3 – Can come in jet black. For 7 bollards - £609.77

There will be a delivery charge estimated @ £200 for the purpose of this report

Plus an estimate of £500 for installation costs

Total estimated cost is £1,500





Option 2

Brunswick Street - Bow-Top Fencing

The quote is for the installation of 41.25m worth of 1.0m High standard bow top railings.

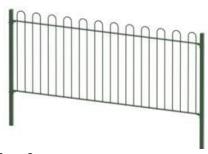
Spec 1:

PBC supply railings

Excavate 21 holes 500mm depth 100x100mm square area.

Bed posts into concrete 50mm from surface.

Surface using AC6 Dense Bin 100/150 flush to surface.



Spec 2: PBC supply railings

Install 41.25m worth of bolt down fencing.



Estimated cost excluding installation is £2,500 plus installation is estimated @ £3,000 to £3,200.

