
SB LOCAL SMALL SCHEMES

Report by Director of Environment & Infrastructure

CHEVIOT AREA FORUM

13 FEBRUARY 2013

1 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

1.1 This report seeks approval for the proposed new SB Local small schemes from the Area Forum.

1.2 The following schemes have been requested for consideration by the Cheviot members :- To install plumbing to reinstate water supply to the fountain, Market Square, Jedburgh; supply and erect basket ball goal at play park Maxton; repair footpath at community garden, Lanton; supply and erect a notice board, Maxton Village; refurbish notice board, Exchange Street, Jedburgh; manufacture and erect Lothian Hall sign, Crailing.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 **I recommend that the Committee:**

(a) approves the following new SB Local small schemes for implementation.

(i) Install plumbing to reinstate water to fountain, Market Square Jedburgh,	£5,000
(ii) Supply and erect basketball goal play park, Maxton	£1,700
(iii) Repair footpath at community garden, Lanton	£ 845
(iv) Supply and erect a notice board at Maxton Village	£ 980
(v) Refurbish notice board, Exchange Street, Jedburgh	£ 80
(vi) Manufacture and erect sign, Lothian Hall, Crailing	£ 150

(b) Agrees to delegate authority to the Director of Environment and Infrastructure to allocate the remaining funds for the current financial year to small schemes, subject to consultation with and approval by all six members of the Cheviot Area Forum through email;

(c) consider a report on all approved small schemes for 2012/13 at a future meeting of the Cheviot Area Forum.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Elected Members, Community Councils and the public can request potential small schemes or work to be undertaken by the SB Local squads by contacting the SB Local Area Manager direct. SB Local is contactable via the new Scottish Borders Council telephone number 0300 100 1800, e-mail address – sblocal@scotborders.gov.uk or by writing to Environment and Infrastructure, Council HQ, Newtown St. Boswells, Melrose TD6 0SA. The following schemes have been requested for consideration by the Cheviot members to enhance the Cheviot area:-The members from Jedburgh have requested that the water supply be reinstated at the fountain in Jedburgh Square to allow the fountain to be operational during the summer months £5000. A request has been received by Maxton community council for a basketball goal to be installed in the play park at Maxton £1700. A request has been received from Lanton community to enhance the community garden in Lanton village £845. The Maxton community council have requested that a notice board is manufactured and erected near the bus shelter £980. A Jedburgh member has requested that the notice board be refurbished at Exchange Street Jedburgh £80. Crailing community council have requested a sign to be manufactured and erected from the main road directing traffic to the Lothian Hall Crailing.
- 3.2 Works will be scheduled to meet specific area needs, local timetables and to maximise the overall efficiency of the works programme.
- 3.3 Should further schemes not be forthcoming prior to the Cheviot Area Forum Meeting and in order to allocate the balance of funds to specific small schemes, it is proposed that authorisation be sought to delegate authority to the Director of Environment and Infrastructure to allocate the remaining 2012/13 small schemes budget, subject to consultation with, and approval by, all six members of the Cheviot Area Forum through email. A report on all approved small schemes would then be presented at a future meeting of the Cheviot Area Forum.

4 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Financial

A budget of £34,702 is available through SB Local for small schemes in the Cheviot area in 2012/13. The above recommended schemes in para 2.1 are for members approval this financial year 2012/13. If the above schemes are approved, then there will be a budget of £11,343 remaining for future schemes.

4.2 Risk and Mitigations

If the SB Local small schemes budget is not spent, the local area will not benefit from improvement works being carried out.

4.3 Equalities

The proposals within this report will not have an adverse impact on any of the equality groups - race, disability, age, sexual orientation or religion/belief.

4.4 Acting Sustainably

It is anticipated that there will be a variety of economic, social or environmental benefits arising from the proposed schemes in para 2.1.

4.5 **Carbon Management**

There are no significant effects anticipated on carbon emissions to the Council by doing or not doing what is proposed.

4.6 **Changes to Scheme of Administration or Scheme of Delegation**

There are no changes which are required to either the Scheme of Administration or the Scheme of Delegation as a result of the proposals in this report.

5 CONSULTATION

- 5.1 The Chief Financial Officer, Head of Legal and Democratic Services, the Clerk to the Council and Head of Audit & Risk have been consulted and their comments have been incorporated into the report.

Approved by

Director of Environment and Infrastructure

Signature

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