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**SB LOCAL SMALL SCHEMES**

**Report by Director of Environment & Infrastructure**

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**CHEVIOT AREA FORUM**

**19 JUNE 2013**

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**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 & local Community Councils:- Extension to recycling point at Town Yetholm, and construction of circular planter at Teapot Street, Morebattle.

**2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 **I recommend that the Cheviot Area Forum consider and prioritise the following new SB Local small schemes for implementation:-**

- (a) Extend recycling compound at Town Yetholm                      £1,400**
- (b) Construct circular planter at Teapot Street, Morebattle    £304**

### **3 BACKGROUND**

3.1 Elected Members, Community Councils and the public can request potential small schemes or work to be undertaken by the Neighbourhood squads by contacting the Neighbourhood Area Manager direct. Neighbourhood Operations is contactable via the new Scottish Borders Council telephone number 0300 100 1800, e-mail address – [enquiries@scotborders.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@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 via these routes to enhance the Cheviot Area:-

- (a) Extension to existing recycling compound at Town Yetholm to allow incorporation of a textile bank. This request was received from local Community Council.
- (b) Construct circular dry stone planter to include street name sign at Teapot Street, Morebattle. This request was received from local Community Council.

3.2 Works will be scheduled to meet specific area needs, local timetables and to maximise the overall efficiency of the works programme.

### **4 IMPLICATIONS**

#### **4.1 Financial**

A budget of £34,702 is available through SB Local for small schemes in the Cheviot area in 2013/14. The above recommended schemes in para 2.1 are the first schemes looking for members approval this financial year 2013/14. If the above schemes are approved, then there will be a budget of £32,998 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 Corporate Governance, Head of Audit & Risk, Head of Strategic Policy and the Clerk to the Council have been consulted and their comments have been incorporated into the report.

### Approved by

**Director of Environment and Infrastructure**

**Signature .....**

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**Background Papers:** None

**Previous Minute Reference:** None

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