
SB LOCAL SMALL SCHEMES AND PAY AND DISPLAY PARKING

Report by Director of Environment & Infrastructure

TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM

19 NOVEMBER 2013

1 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

1.1 **This report seeks approval for the proposed new SB Local Small Schemes from the Area Forum and Members approval of the proposals for agreeing and monitoring of pay and display parking income and expenditure in future.**

1.2 The following Schemes have been requested for consideration by the Teviot and Liddesdale Members: Upgrade footway at Main Street, Denholm, and install dropped kerbs at Beaconsfield Terrace, Hawick. Updated previously approved Small Schemes are listed in Appendix A.

1.3 Pay & Display Revenue

Members will note that Councillor Parker's motion in relation to extending the use of funding raised from pay and display parking was passed by Council on 31 October 2013.

Motion

"Scottish Borders Council agrees to extend the criteria governing the use of the funding raised from pay parking, in the towns where pay parking exists, to include initiatives that would promote and support local businesses and town centres."

The following process is proposed for the control and reporting of this spending:

- Ward Members will agree, with Officers, the Schemes to be taken forward
- These proposals will be included in the Small Schemes report for the relevant areas.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 I recommend that the Teviot & Liddesdale Area Forum:

- (a) approves the following new SB Local Small Schemes for implementation:-**
 - (i) Upgrade footpath at Main Street, Denholm. £13,031**
 - (ii) Install dropped kerbs at Beaconsfield Terrace, Hawick. £ 1,475**
- (b) notes the updates on previously approved SB Local Small Schemes as detailed in Appendix A to this report.**
- (c) the process for reporting of pay and display parking revenue spending as follows:-**
 - (i) Ward Members will agree, with Officers, the Schemes to be taken forward**
 - (ii) These proposals will be included in the Small Schemes report for Tweeddale, including monitoring their delivery.**

3 BACKGROUND

3.1 Elected Members, Community Councils and the public can request potential Small Schemes by contacting the Neighbourhood Area Manager direct. Neighbourhood Services is contactable via the new Scottish Borders Council telephone number 0300 100 1800, e-mail address – 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 Teviot & Liddesdale Area:-

- (a) Upgrade existing footpath at A698 Main Street, Denholm as a continuation to the previous works (£13,031). This request was received from local Hawick and Denholm Ward Councillors.
- (b) Installation of dropped kerbs at Beaconsfield Terrace with its junctions with Buccleugh Terrace, Hawick (£1,475). This request was received from local Hawick and Hermitage Ward Councillors.

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 Updates on previously approved SB Local Small Schemes as detailed in Appendix A to this report.

3.4 Pay & Display Revenue

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3.5 The following existing four processes were agreed by Executive on 28 April 2009:-

- (a) That draft proposals for how net income would be invested would be developed by Officers in consultation with the Members in whose Ward the car park lay (in whole or in part);
- (b) Investment proposals would be allocated to road and environmental improvements;
- (c) Investment of net income from each car park would be targeted within the town, village or settlement boundary in which it lay; and
- (d) Investment proposals and any subsequent amendments would be subject to formal approval by the relevant Area Committee.

The acceptance of this motion will thereafter amend point (b) to read as follows:-

- (b) Investment proposals would be allocated to road and environmental improvements and support local businesses and town centres.

- 3.6 The following process is proposed for the control and reporting of this spending:
- Ward Members will agree, with Officers, the Schemes to be taken forward
 - These proposals will be included in the Small Schemes report for the relevant areas.

4 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Financial

A budget of £34,702 is available through SB Local for Small Schemes in the Teviot and Liddesdale area in 2013/14. It has been agreed previously that this budget will be split equally between the Hawick and Hermitage and Hawick and Denholm Wards. If the above Schemes are approved, then there will be a remaining budget of £11,461 in Hawick and Hermitage Ward and there will be no remaining budget in Hawick and Denholm Ward for future Schemes.

Appendix A lists up-dates on previously approved SB Local Small 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, the Head of Audit & Risk, the Head of Strategic Policy, the HR Manager 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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