

# **NEIGHBOURHOOD SMALL SCHEME WORKS**

# **Report by Service Director for Neighbourhood Services**

# **TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE AREA FORUM**

# 22 April 2014

#### 1 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report seeks approval for the proposed new Neighbourhood small schemes from the Area Forum.
- 1.2 The following schemes have been requested for consideration by the Teviot & Liddesdale members: install dropped kerbs at Maxton Court, Hawick, install kerbing to edge of carriageway at Hornshole, refurbish railings at Trinity Gardens, Hawick, refurbish railings at Drumlanrig Square, Hawick, & repairs to masonry wall and repaint railings at Wilton path, Hawick.

#### 2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 I recommend that the Teviot & Liddesdale Area Forum:
  - (a) approves the following new Neighbourhood Small Schemes for implementation:-

(i)	Install dropped kerbs on Maxton Court, Hawick.	£2,100
(ii)	Install kerbing to edge of carriageway at	£3,600
	Hornshole.	
(iii)	Refurbish railings etc. at Trinity Gdns,	£1,945
	Hawick.	
(iv)	Refurbish railings etc. at Drumlanrig Square,	£3,785
	Hawick.	
(v)	Repaint railings & masonry wall repairs	£4,165
	at Wilton Path Hawick	

## **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 or by writing to Neighbourhood Services, Council Headquarters, Newtown St. Boswells, Melrose TD6 0SA.
- 3.2 The following schemes have been requested for consideration via these routes to enhance the Teviot & Liddesdale Area:-
- Install two pairs of pedestrian dropped kerbs on Maxton Court, Hawick (£2,100). This request was received from a local Ward Councillor.
- 3.4 Install approx. 50 metres of kerbing to protect edge of carriageway and soft landscape area at Hornshole (£3,600). This request was received from a local Ward Councillor.
- 3.5 Repaint railings etc. and repairs to metalwork at Trinity Gardens, Hawick (£1,945). This request was received from local Ward Councillors.
- 3.6 Repaint railings etc. and repairs to metalwork at Drumlanrig Square, Hawick (£3,785). This request was received from local Ward Councillors.
- 3.7 Repaint railings & masonry wall repairs at Wilton Path, Hawick (£4,165). This request was received from a local Ward Councillor.

#### 4 IMPLICATIONS

## 4.1 Financial

- (a) A budget of £34,702 is available through Neighbourhood Services for small schemes in the Teviot and Liddesdale area in 2014/15. It has been agreed previously that this budget will be split equally between the Hawick & Hermitage and Hawick & Denholm Wards. If the above schemes are approved, then there will be a remaining budget of £11,621 in Hawick & Hermitage Ward and £7,486 in Hawick & Denholm Ward for future schemes.
- (b) In addition, a budget of £20,000 is available for Quality of Life schemes in the Teviot & Liddesdale Area in 2014/15.

## 4.2 Risk and Mitigations

If the 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.

## **5 CONSULTATION**

Consultation is being undertaken with the Chief Financial Officer, the Head of Corporate Governance, the Head of Strategic Policy, the Head of Audit and Risk, the HR Manager and the Clerk to the Council. Any comments received will be incorporated in the final report.

# Approved by

Service Director of Neighbourhood Services Signature ......

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