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## **NEIGHBOURHOOD SMALL SCHEMES AND QUALITY OF LIFE**

**Report by Service Director Assets and Infrastructure**

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### **TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE LOCALITY FORUM**

**15 August 2017**

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#### **1 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

- 1.1 **This report seeks approval for the proposed new Quality of Life and Neighbourhood Small Schemes from the Locality Committee.**
- 1.2 The following Neighbourhood Small Schemes have been requested for consideration by the Teviot & Liddesdale Members:- mark parking area at Silverbuthall Road, Hawick; mark 4 parking areas at Chay Blyth Place, Hawick; mark parking area at Fraser Avenue, Hawick.
- 1.3 The following Quality of Life Schemes have been requested for consideration by the Teviot and Liddesdale Members:- supply and install noticeboards at Bonchester Bridge; paint handrail between McLagan Drive and Burnfoot Road, Hawick; provide a financial contribution to Hawick Welcome Initiative.

#### **2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 **I recommend that the Teviot & Liddesdale Locality Forum**
- (a) **Approves the following new Neighbourhood Small Schemes for implementation:-**
- (i) **Mark parking area at Silverbuthall Road, Hawick** £325
- (ii) **Mark 4 parking areas at Chay Blyth place, Hawick** £552
- (iii) **Mark parking area at Fraser Avenue, Hawick** £368
- (b) **Approves the following new Quality of Life Schemes for implementation:-**
- (i) **Supply and install notice boards in Bonchester Bridge** £1,052
- (ii) **Paint handrail between McLagan Drive and Burnfoot Road, Hawick** £313
- (iii) **Contribution to Hawick Welcome Initiative** £1,500

- (c) **Notes the updates on previously approved neighbourhood Small schemes in 2017/18 as detailed in Appendix A to this Report.**
- (d) **Notes the updates on previously approved Quality of Life Schemes in 2017/18 as detailed in Appendix B to this report.**

### 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 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.

The following schemes have been requested for consideration via these routes to enhance the Teviot & Liddesdale Area:-

- (a) Line mark parking area adjacent 125-131 Silverbuthall Road, Hawick to provide parking bays (£325). This request was received from Ward Councillors.
- (b) Line mark 4 parking areas at Chay Blyth Place, Hawick to provide parking bays (£552). This request was received from Ward Councillors.
- (c) Line mark Parking area adjacent 8-18 Fraser Avenue, Hawick (£368). This request was received from Ward Councillors.
- (d) Supply and install a double noticeboard at Bonchester Bridge (£1,052). This request was received from Ward Councillors.
- (e) Paint handrail between McLagan Drive and Burnfoot Road, Hawick (£313). This request was received from Ward Councillors.
- (f) Financial contribution to Hawick Welcome Initiative (£1,500). This request was received from Ward Councillors.

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

### 4 IMPLICATIONS

#### 4.1 Financial

(a)

	Quality of Life	Small Schemes	Total
2016/17 Carry Forward	3,159	0	3,159
2017/18 Budget	20,000	34,702	54,702
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>23,159</b>	<b>34,702</b>	<b>57,861</b>
Committed Previously	2,000	1,860	3,860
Proposed per Report	2,865	1,245	4,110
Remaining Balance	18,294	31,597	49,891

- (b) A budget of £34,702 is available through Neighbourhood Services for small schemes in the Teviot and Liddesdale area in 2017/18. 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 £15,901 in Hawick & Hermitage Ward and £15,696 in Hawick & Denholm Ward for future schemes.
- (c) In addition a budget of £23,159 is available for Quality of Life schemes in the Teviot and Liddesdale area in 2017/18. If the above schemes are approved, there will be a remaining budget of £9,965 in the Hawick and Hermitage Ward and £8,329 in the Hawick and Denholm Ward for future schemes.

#### **4.2 Risk and Mitigations**

If these budgets are 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 3.1.

#### **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 Rural Proofing**

This report does not relate to new or amended policy or strategy and as a result rural proofing is not an applicable consideration.

#### **4.7 Changes to Scheme of Administration or Scheme of Delegation**

There is no change to either the Scheme of Administration or the Scheme of Delegation.

### **5 CONSULTATION**

- 5.1 The Chief Financial Officer, the Monitoring Officer, the Chief Legal Officer, the Chief Officer Audit and Risk, the Chief Officer HR and the Clerk to the Council have been consulted and any comments received have been incorporated in the final report.

**Approved by**

**Martin Joyce**  
**Service Director Assets and Infrastructure**

**Signature .....**

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**Background Papers:** None

**Previous Minute Reference:** None

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