



Ward: District Wide

Street Scene Capital Budget

Report by the Executive Head of Technical Services and the Executive Head of Planning, Regeneration & Wellbeing

1.0 Summary

1.1 This report outlines the proposed projects for part of the 2011/ 12 street scene and town centres capital budget.

1.1 These projects are:

- Grass verge improvement projects including Daniels Close parking improvements on the Mash Barn estate and grass verge signage and furniture.
- East Street Improvements including purchasing new waymarker signs.

2.0 Background

2.1 The Council has in recent years invested in street scene and town centre improvement projects. This capital budget will build on existing good work to improve the public realm and add value to work undertaken with partners.

2.2 Street Scene and Town Centres have been awarded a £50,000 capital budget for 2011/12. They have also slipped £17,500 from the 2010/11 capital budget for a specific project to improve parking in Daniels Close, Lancing in-partnership with West Sussex County Council.

3.0 Proposals

3.1 Grass verge improvement projects

Total ADC estimated capital cost £20,000

(50% of the Daniels Close project paid by WSCC)

Project Officer: Lesley Heath

The district has been working with West Sussex County Council to prevent grass verge parking and improve parking in Adur. As part of our joint protocol, Daniels Close has been identified as a priority for improvement works. WSCC have drawn up a scheme to provide 18 to 19 off street parking spaces on the grass verge at the entrance to Daniels Close. Cars already park on the verge in Daniels Close which not only spoils their appearance, but also involves the County Council and ADC Housing department in unnecessary additional expense on making good the damage.

The matter has been discussed and agreed at Joint Property Management Group and by the Housing department who are responsible for areas of land. This project will cost approximately £40,000 to implement and will be jointly funded by West Sussex.

3.2 East Street Improvement

Total estimated capital costs £10,000 (to enhance works undertaken by WSCC in East Street).

Project Officer David Steadman

This will be used to provide new street furniture in East Street and the surrounding area including a new wayfinder sign. This work will enhance the work to be undertaken by West Sussex in East Street.

4.0 Legal

4.1 None identified.

5.0 Financial implications

5.1 A total of £67,500 has been allocated to street scene capital projects for 2011/12. This report is asking for the cabinet member to release £30,000 of the total budget for the projects listed in the proposal section of this report.

5.2 Consideration has been given to the future repair and maintenance of investment identified in this report. This should be minimal, at least initially, but the council needs to be mindful that additional revenue provision will be required to maintain the assets provided.

6.0 Recommendation

6.1 To release £30,000 for the three projects listed in this report.

6.2 To hold the outstanding budget of £37,500 so that a further report can be submitted to release the budget.

Local Government Act 1972

Background Papers:

Adur and Worthing Capital Bid PID

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Schedule of Other Matters

1.0 Council Priority

- 1.1 To promote a clean and green environment.
- 1.2 To regenerate neighbourhoods, town centres and businesses.

2.0 Specific Action Plans

- 2.1 (A) Outcomes include:
 - improving the appearance and cleanliness of an area
 - investing in the appearance of streets
 - develop projects to regenerate neighbourhoods and tackle deprivation

3.0 Sustainability Issues

- 3.1 Where appropriate we try and used recycled material such as recycled plastics in benches.

4.0 Equality Issues

- 4.1 [Details of any equality issues or how the proposal improves the current position]

5.0 Community Safety Issues (Section 17)

- 5.1 Street Scene will be working with community safety to target improvement in priority wards. The appearance of streets and open spaces can affect how you feel about where you live.

6.0 Human Rights Issues

- 6.1 Not applicable

7.0 Reputation

- 7.1 A poor street scene and public realm has been identified by the IDEA as being detrimental to a Council's reputation.

8.0 Consultations

- 8.1 (A) Not applicable]
(B) Residents in Daniels Close will be consulted on the parking scheme before it is implemented.

9.0 Risk Assessment

- 9.1 There is no public liability or other issues identified at this stage. This will be reviewed regularly.

10.0 Health & Safety Issues

10.1 Risk assessments will be undertaken as necessary.

11.0 Procurement Strategy

11.1 All procurement will adhere to the Council's rules and regulations for procurement. Works in Daniels Close will be undertaken by West Sussex County Council's contractor and supervised by the highways department.

12.0 Partnership Working

12.1 We will be working closely with West Sussex and others to deliver these projects.