London Borough of Sutton
Report to Beddington and Wallington Local Committee
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PUBLIC REALM PROJECTS

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Area Served: Beddington & Wallington

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Report for Decision

Summary

This report confirms:

i) the current and anticipated public realm spend for 2010 / 2011
ii) additional projects to be considered for public realm funding
iii) feedback on the progress made to date on the outstanding public realm projects

I recommend that the Committee consider the report and;

i) that the £3,000 set aside for the Mosaics at Wallington Library is released
ii) consider any additional projects for the remaining public realm funding

1. Background

1.1 The public realm funding for 2010 / 2011 stands at £144,000, this is supplemented by transports related funding of £22,218. The allocation of the public realm funding to date is outlined below.

1.2 A sum of £17,000 has been released and spent on the work at Elms Pond, £45,000 for the refurbishment of the churchyard flint wall, £5,000 for signboards(s) depicting Croydon Airport and £10,000 for the festoon lights at Wallington Square. A sum of £30,000 has been set aside for Mellows Park playground and pavilion, and £15,000 has been set aside for the entertainment area at Orchard Hill College/Library Gardens. £3,000 has also been set aside for the mosaics at Wallington library subject to approval.

1.3 With regard to the transport related funding of £22,218 in 2010/11, an update on transport related issues at Butter Hill will be presented at the January meeting.

2. Mosaics outside Wallington Library

2.1 Cllr McCoy has been liaising with Wallington Boys School, Friends of Wallington Library and Steve Winser the Library Manager about placing mosaics in the old planters at the entrance to the library. It is hoped that the

proposals will be presented at the committee. It is estimated that the cost of the project will be around £3,000.

3. Improvement to Roundshaw wheels and ramps

3.1 At the last meeting a number of children from Roundshaw presented their ideas for further enhancing the skate park at Roundshaw. It is hoped that a proposal for enhancing the facilities will be presented at the committee.

4. Update on progress made with other public realm projects

4.1 Festoon Lights, Wallington Square - At the last meeting £10,000 was released to repair the electrical supply to the lights at Wallington Square, this was subject to agreement from the managing agent to replace the lights and be responsible for maintenance. The managing agent has now referred the issue back to the freeholder, who is causing a delay in the process. It is still hoped that the lights will be in place by Christmas; however we need approval from the freeholder before progressing.

4.2 Entertainment area at Orchard Hill College/Library Gardens – A meeting with the Urban Planning designer has been very useful and a proposal for the staging area is currently being put together.

4.3 Flint Wall, Beddington Park – The conservation Contractor has been on site since early September, and work has been initially slow as they fully understood the extent of the works and took mortar samples for the planned repairs. During this time it has become apparent that the scope of works has needed to alter following discovery of further problems once some of the flints have been removed prior to repair. The consultants have been in regular contact with the Councils Surveyors and a meeting has been set up that will include officers from the council and the consultants as well as representatives from the Parks Friends Group to discuss progress and any changes required.

4.4 The £45,000 provided by the Local committee has allowed officers to achieve £37,000 in funding from the English Heritage Historic Buildings, Monuments and Designed Landscapes fund, and has allowed The Friends of Beddington and Grange Parks to achieve £45,000 from the Viridor Credits landfill Communities Fund. To date £9,100 has been spent of the £45,000 released for the project.

4.5 Mellows Park toilet block – The costs for the demolition of the toilet block can be met from the current under spend on the works agreed for Mellows Park. It is hoped that the demolition will go ahead shortly.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 The committee has been allocated £144,000 public realm funding and £22,218 traffic related funding for 2010/2011. The committee has already agreed to release the following monies; £17,000 (Elms Pond), £45,000 (Churchyard Flint wall), £5,000 (Croydon Airport) and £10,000 (Wallington Square lights), £22,218 (traffic issues, Butter Hill). This leaves £66,742 public realm monies.

5.2 A further £30,000 has been set aside for the Mellows Park pavilion and play area, £15,000 set aside for the entertainments area at Orchard Hill College / Library Gardens and £3,000 for Mosaics at Wallington Library. If these were agreed this would leave a remaining balance of £18,742.

6. Influence on the Council's Core Values

6.1 Working in partnership with local residents in identifying and prioritising projects will ensure that the public realm funding will be invested wisely.

7. Contribution to the Achievements of Council's Policy Aims

7.1 The decisions reached by the Local Committee will increase local democracy and promote local regeneration.

8. Background Papers

8.1 Beddington and Wallington Local Committee 3rd February 2009, 8th September 2009, 3rd November 2009, 5th January 2010, 9th March 2010, 15th June 2010, 14th September 2010. Executive 7th April 2007, Sutton Plan – March 2007, Local Public Service Agreement – Target 9

Appendix One - Outstanding Projects

Project	Location	Year	Released	Money allocated	Money spent	Future Commitment
Mellows Park	Mellows Park	2008 / 2009	£38,000	Yes	£33,000	£10,400
50 x Flower baskets Wallington centre	Wallington	2009 / 2010	£20,880	Yes	£21,100	£0
Second World War air raid shelter Mellows Park	Mellows Park	2009 / 2010	£6,000	Yes	£4,400	£0
Eco Local Bike Project	Beddington Park	2009 / 2010	£30,000	Yes	£20,000	£0
Mellows Café Upgrade	Mellows Park	2010 / 2011	£0	No	£0	£30,000
Staging area – Old Town Hall	Wallington	2010 / 2011	£0	No	£0	£15,000
Replacement of Festoon Lights	Wallington Square	2010 / 2011	£10,000	Yes	£0	£0
Mosaics @ Wallington Library	Wallington Library	2010 / 2011	£0	No	£0	£3,000
Flint Wall @ Beddington Park	Beddington Park	2010 / 2011	£45,000	Yes	£9,100	£35,900
Croydon Airport Notice boards	Roundshaw estate	2010 / 2011	£5,000	Yes	£0	£5,000
Butter Hill Traffic Lights	Butter Hill	2010 / 2011	£22,000	Yes	£0	£0
Beddington Park Upgrade Paths	Beddington Park	2010 / 2011	£8,300	Yes	£0	£0

Appendix 2 - Completed Projects

Project	Location	Year	Released	Money Spent
Roundshaw and Park Facilities	Roundshaw Park	2008 / 2009	£130,300	£132,400
Beddington Park - Barbecue and seating	Beddington Park	2008 / 2009	£14,400	7,400
Woodcote Green - trees and bulbs	Wallington	2008 / 2009	12,000	£8,800
Wallington Town Hall - Re-instate Lamps	Wallington	2009 / 2010	£5,000	£1,400
St Mary's Field Play Area	Wallington	2009 / 2010	£13,000	£13,000
Apeldoorn Estate		2009 / 2010	£14,200	£9,800
Brighten up Wallington	All over	2009 / 2010	£5,100	£1,960
Signs – Voluntary No Smoking Ban		2009/10	£3,200	£3,200
Carew Manor Gates	Beddington Park	2009 / 2010	£2,000	£1,800
Wandle Gateway Scheme		2009 / 2010	£13,500	£13,520
Roundshaw Park facilities - stage 2	Roundshaw	2009 / 2010	£112,050	£112,850
Fountain @ Elms Pond		2010 / 2011	£47,000	£44,000

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