

## PLANNING & ECONOMY PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION – 15 AUGUST 2023

### ALLOCATION OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS – FAWLEY

#### 1 RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 It is recommended that £36,316.36 of held S106 transportation monies is allocated to projects at:

- QE2 recreation ground
- Designated crossing point at Calshot

#### 2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 In February 2015 Cabinet approved a number of projects which would be funded by Section 106 contributions that were held by the Council. The Cabinet report authorised the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Transportation to make such amendments as deemed appropriate to the approved project lists.

2.2 This report seeks to amend the existing allocations to fund transportation projects in Fawley.

#### 3 POLICY FRAMEWORK

3.1 The projects which are the subject of this report benefit a wide sector of the community and respond positively to Local Plan Policies:

##### **Local Plan 2016-2036 Part One: Planning Strategy**

- Policy ENV3: Design quality and local distinctiveness.
- Policy CCC1: Safe and healthy communities.
- Saved policy CS7: Open Space Sport and Recreation.
- Policy STR8; Community services, infrastructure and facilities.
- Policy CCC2; Safe and sustainable travel

3.2 The transportation contributions held were sought in accordance with now deleted policy CS24 which stated, “Contributions will be sought to improve pedestrian and cycle routes and assist public transport to improve accessibility by non-car modes.” Therefore, any projects would need to be in accordance with this policy wording.

#### 4 PROPOSALS

##### **QE2 Recreation Ground**

4.1 There is currently no designated pedestrian route into QE2 recreation ground. It is a shared entrance way that mixes vehicles, parking and pedestrians. It experiences drainage problems making it difficult to pass when wet and is also unlit.

- 4.2 Fawley Parish Council has been receiving requests and complaints with regard to this. QE2 is used for football, holiday clubs, interest clubs and NHS intervention services throughout the year. The entrance is also used to access other community organisations that are based on the site and the play area.
- 4.3 Fawley Parish Council are proposing that one side of the entrance way becomes a designated pedestrian way, with drainage improvements, protection from use by people parking their vehicles and is lit.
- 4.4 The anticipated cost is in the region of £10 – £15k and Fawley Parish Council wish to complete the works during 2023. They are currently awaiting a final formal quote from a contractor and will then be able to appoint an appropriate provider.

#### **Designated Crossing Point at Calshot**

- 4.5 Fawley Parish Council recently held a consultation with the community at Calshot. This consultation identified a strong impact on the community by not having a crossing point across what is reported as a dangerous road that cars consistently speed along.
- 4.6 The consultation identified that older persons were afraid to use the bus as they would need to cross the road on one leg of the journey and the children reported being unable to access the play area or football field as they are on opposite sides of the road and parents will not let them cross.
- 4.7 The parish council made an approach to HCC for the crossing. HCC stated at the time that the road and position did not meet their casualty reduction criteria, so the Parish would need to fund this using separate funds.
- 4.8 The delivery of the project is dependent on Hampshire County Council (HCC). HCC will be progressing this scheme once they have developed and agreed their policy for community funded road safety works.
- 4.9 Once HCC have the policy in place Fawley Parish Council has a priority of getting a crossing point installed. They are anticipating that the design and delivery will be dictated by HCC under HCC systems. The final cost at this time is unknown.

### **5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The Council are currently holding all the identified funds to deliver these projects and therefore there would be no direct cost to the Council. Should the projects not be approved then officers will need to identify further projects to ensure that the contributions held are delivered on suitable schemes.
- 5.2 The funds held were previously allocated to projects which are either complete (with residual funds remaining) or will no longer be proceeding.
- 5.3 Following a procurement exercise, should the allocated funds be insufficient to deliver the projects identified, it will be for officers and the Parish Council to either identify additional funds from the Parish Council's CIL receipts, value engineer the schemes to

deliver them within budget or prioritise the delivery of the schemes in the order set out in this report.

## **6 CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 None

## **7 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 The identified proposals bring direct environmental benefits through enhancing, improving and increasing capacity by enabling greater use of existing open space for informal recreation, new habitat creation and enhanced management techniques.

## **8 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS**

8.1 The projects identified above will improve accessibility in their respective areas and provide enhanced opportunities for children, parents and carers, who are less able.

## **9. PORTFOLIO HOLDER ENDORSEMENT**

**I have agreed to the recommendation of this report.**

**Sign: Councillor Derek Tipp**

**Date: 15 August 2023**

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### **Background Papers:**

Cabinet Paper 4 February 2015 –  
Allocation of Developers’  
Contributions  
[https://democracy.newforest.gov.uk/  
Data/Cabinet/20150204/Agenda/CD  
R09490.pdf](https://democracy.newforest.gov.uk/Data/Cabinet/20150204/Agenda/CD R09490.pdf)

Cabinet Paper 16 January 2013 –  
Allocation of Developer  
Contributions  
[https://democracy.newforest.gov.uk/  
Data/Cabinet/20130116/Agenda/CD  
R08046.pdf](https://democracy.newforest.gov.uk/Data/Cabinet/20130116/Agenda/CD R08046.pdf)

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