



Report to:	Sutton South, Cheam and Belmont Local Committee	Date:	2 July 2015
Report title:	Progress Report – Area Improvements and Public Realm Programme		
Report from:	Mary Morrissey, Strategic Director of Environment, Housing and Regeneration		
Ward/Areas affected:	Sutton South, Cheam and Belmont		
Chair of Committee/Lead Member:	Councillor Tony Shields		
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Corporate Plan Priorities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Open Council • A Green Council • A Fair Council 		
Open/Exempt:	Open		
Signed:		Date:	29 June 2015

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report contains information on Public Realm spending since 23 April 2015; shows confirmation of the budgets available for 2015/16; and new requests for project funding.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that Sutton South Cheam and Belmont Local Committee:

- 2.1 Approve 1 new black mesh wire litter bin in Belmont Park for £395, funded from Public Realm capital.
- 2.2 Approve an additional amount of £1,600 for the Broadway, Cheam relocation of parking bays scheme to: complete statutory consultation to extend the existing parking bays in The Broadway, advertisement in local paper and London Gazette, draft the Traffic Management Order, install road markings, signs and officers' time, funded from Public Realm TFL.
- 2.3 Earmark a sum of £16,140 towards Christmas Lights.
- 2.4 Approve a learning resource site scheme in principal, initially approving planning permission application costs of £195, and once planning has been approved, releasing the remaining £1,900 funding for this scheme. It is also requested that the Committee approve the change of use of £300 residual funds from the previous wildlife rejuvenation scheme to this scheme. This project will provide an on-site learning resource site at Belmont Allotments Association.



3. Background

- 3.1 This Committee has been allocated Public Realm funding to invest in area improvements.
- 3.2 The work of the Local Committee and the Public Realm budget are a key part of Sutton Council's response to the localism agenda and actively promote the engagement of local residents in decision making.
- 3.3 Many of the schemes that are approved have a positive effect by promoting community activity and improving shared spaces that everyone can enjoy.

4. Issues

Schemes for Consideration of Funding

Appendix A, Section 1 shows Public Realm schemes for consideration by this committee.

Current Public Realm Scheme Programme

Appendix A, Section 2 shows all other current Public Realm schemes programme and updates on progress

Completed Public Realm Schemes

- 4.1 Appendix A, Section 3 shows completed Public Realm schemes since the last Committee and include:
- Rescue and rejuvenation of neglected wildlife area **SSCB/1415.4**

5. Options Considered

- 5.1 Public Realm schemes can be proposed by ward councillors or community representatives. Consultation is then undertaken to agree which schemes should be proposed. These are then voted on at each meeting of the Local Committee.

6. Impacts and Implications

Financial

- 6.1 Subject to confirmation at Strategy and Resources on the 29 June 2015, the Sutton South, Cheam and Belmont Local Committee has a carry forward of £8,574 Public Realm capital from 2014/15.

The 2015/16 budget allocation for the committee is £39,373 Public Realm capital; £15,749 for transport related schemes and £10,000 direct revenue funding.

- 6.2 The committee has previously allocated funds of £11,000 Public Realm capital, with £7,060 direct revenue funding, to Public Realm projects in 2015.
- 6.3 The total cost of proposed schemes in Appendix A, Section 1 is £18,317 of Public Realm funding. This is comprised of £395 for a standard wire mesh litter bin and an additional £1,600 to complete scheme SL/1415.11 (Relocation of Cheam parking bays) an earmarked amount of £16,140 for Christmas lights 2015 and £2,095 for an on-site learning resource facility to share horticultural learning, meetings, and workshops (this includes an additional £195 for planning permission costs).



- 6.4 The cost for the on-site learning resource facility includes the cost of obtaining planning permission (£195). If planning permission is not granted, this cost will need to be funded from the public realm revenue budget as it will no longer be able to be treated as capital expenditure.
- 6.5 A separate report regarding the funding of Christmas lighting is being taken to the Sutton South Cheam and Belmont Local Committee on 2 July 2015. The committee will be requested to allocate £16,140 of Public Realm capital to fund the Christmas lights for 2015.
- 6.6 The budget for the Sutton South, Cheam and Belmont Local Committee, subject to confirmation of carry forward, recycled funds and agreement of the proposed schemes, is a total of £35,406 made up of £18,317 public realm capital, £14,149 transport related schemes and £2,940 direct revenue funding. This is detailed in Appendix A, Section 5

Legal

- 6.7 There are no specific Legal Implications arising from this report.

Equalities

- 6.8 The schemes described in this report have been subject to consultation with local residents, councillors, community representatives and partner organisations. Meetings are held in accessible venues and everyone is encouraged to take part and put forward their ideas.
- 6.9 When Public Realm improvements are made as a result of decisions taken by the Local Committee, particular account is taken of the requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act and Equality Act 2010 with regard to access requirements.

7. Appendices and Background Documents

Appendix Letter	Title
A	Area Improvements and Public Realm Programme

Background Documents
None

Audit Trail		
Version	Final	Date: 26/06/2015
Consultation with other officers		
Officer	Comments Sought	Comments checked by
Finance	Yes	Tony Cooke, Principal Accountant
Legal	n/a	n/a
Other Officers	Yes	Consultation was sought with the relevant Officers regarding sections in Appendix 1, 2, 3, and 4.

Section 1 - New Schemes for Consideration

Project ID	Key scheme/ area of innovation	Ward	Proposer / Sponsor	Details	Estimated costs	Officer	Fund
1516.4	Litter bin for Belmont Pastures	Belmont	Cllr Hicks	To provide a permanent litter bin to be located in Belmont Pastures, adjacent to the new seating at Knockholt Close. This is to maintain the cleanliness and attractiveness of the area.	£395	David Warburton/ Dominic Aslangul	Capital
1516.5	Cheam – Proposed relocation of parking bays –	Cheam	Cllr Witham	To complete statutory consultation to extend the existing parking bays in The Broadway, advertisement in local paper and London Gazette, draft the Traffic Management Order, install road markings, signs and officers' time	£1,600	Mohamed Kabash	TFL
1516.6	Christmas Lights	All		To earmark funds for Christmas Lighting scheme which will be presented to the Committee in a separate report for approval	£16,140	Martin Furtauer Hays	Capital convert to revenue
1516.7	Belmont Allotment Association education and learning site	Belmont	Belmont Allotments Assoc	This covers costs for the planning permission application, and then once planning has been approved, the release the remaining funding for the delivery of the project. This project will provide an on-site learning and resource facility to share horticultural learning, hold meetings, workshops, and share knowledge on the improving ecological resource created by the regeneration of the on-site wildlife area. It is also requested that the Committee approve the change of use of £300 residual funds from the previous wildlife rejuvenation scheme to this scheme.	£1,900 +£195 (planning permission costs)	Chantelle Swaby	Public Realm Capital
	FUNDING			Capital funds	£ 2,490		
				TFL	£1,600		
				Capital converted to revenue	£16,140		
	TOTAL TO ALLOCATE			Total	£20,230		

Section 2 - Progress on Schemes Being Delivered

Project ID	Key scheme/ area of innovation	Ward	Year & meeting date	Allocated £	Comments	Anticipated completion date	Officer	Fund
Parks and Open Spaces								
1516.2	Outdoor concrete table tennis equipment in Cheam Park and Overton Park	Cheam and Belmont	23 April 2015	£6,000	Installation of new concrete outdoor table tennis tables in: a) Cheam Park -£3,000 b) Overton Park -£3,000 This will provide all weather table tennis facilities in two parks providing entertainment and promoting physical activity.	September 2015	Ian Wolstencroft	Public Realm Capital
1516.3	Automatic watering system Cheam Croquet and Bowls Club	Cheam	23 April 2015	£5,000	To install an automatic watering system (installation of 4 sprinkler heads with connecting pipes and electrical work). A water tank is required as water is not permitted to be drawn directly from the mains. The Committee is being asked to contribute £5,000 towards the cost of the project (priced at £10,500).	August 2015	Cheam Croquet Club	Public Realm Capital
SSCB/ 1415.1	Hanging baskets and barrier baskets display provision	All Wards	20 November 2014	£7,060	The estimated cost of extending the proposed scheme, which is ending May 2015, is £7,060 (cost to supply 59 [450mm] hanging baskets at £90.00 each; 14 barrier baskets at £125.00 each and maintain for 1 year). Locations for this scheme have been: a) Cheam Village – 46 hanging baskets and 6 barrier baskets – Ewell Road and High Street, 20 hanging baskets – The Broadway, 10 hanging baskets	July 2015	Dominic Aslangul	Public Realm Revenue



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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upper Mulgrave Road, 16 hanging baskets - The Broadway, 6 Barrier Baskets b) Station Road, Belmont – 12 hanging baskets c) Brighton Road, Sutton – 4 floor planters d) Queen's Road, Belmont – 1 hanging basket 			
Community								
SSCB/ 1415.6	Cheam Park Pavilion	Cheam	20 March 2014	£30,000 Public Realm + £60,000 SITA Funds, + £57,000 Insurance, + £5,000 Parks Revenue	The tendering process for refurbishing Cheam Pavilion has now finished. Renovation works are now in progress	August 2015	Dominic Aslangul	Public realm capital and external funding
Traffic / Transport								
SSCB/ 1415.9	Upgrading Christchurch Park yellow lines	Sutton South	20 March 2014	£500	Funding for a Traffic Management Order process to upgrade the single yellow lines to double yellow 'at any time' lines in Christchurch Park at the exits from Foxley Court. Traffic Order advertised 19 February 2015. Consultation has completed.	August 2015	Faran Forghani	Public Realm TfL



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					Responses are being summarised and will be assessed prior to cascading for discussion with members			
SSCB/ 1415.11	Cheam – Proposed relocation of parking bays	Cheam	11 September 2014	£5,000	The Committee allocated £5000 to remove the two parking bays in front of the bus stop on the southbound carriageway and install 'Keep Clear' markings on the northbound carriageway at the junction with Parkside	August 2015	Mohamed Khadad	Public Realm TfL
SSCB/ 1415.12	The Avenue Road Parking Scheme	Belmont	11 September 2014	£5,000	This scheme addresses issues with cars obstructing driveways. The scheme consists of extending the existing single yellow line waiting restrictions operational hours to reflect extended school activities. This scheme is now being implemented as confirmation to proceed with the making of the traffic order has been received from members.	August 2015	Faran Forghani	Public Realm Capital
SSCB/ 1415.13	'At any time' Double Yellow Line Junction Protection Markings – Fieldsend Road, Fromondes Road, Kingsdown Road and Stoughton Avenue	Cheam	11 September 2014	£3,500	Implementation of 'at any time' double yellow line junction protection markings to prevent obstruction and improve sightlines. Written representations have been received, analysed and discussed with the relevant ward Councillors, Chair and Vice Chair where appropriate. This scheme is being progressed as confirmation to proceed with the making of the traffic order has been received from members.	August 2015	Faran Forghani	Public Realm Capital



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SSCB/ 1415.14	CPZ Changes – Langley Park Road, Worcester Road, Grange Road and Stanley Road	Sutton South	11 September 2014	£5,500	Implementation of CPZ changes will be processed as part of Batch 3 schemes. There has not yet been a date set for advertisement of proposals.	August 2015	Faran Forghani	Public Realm Capital
SSCB/ 1415.2	Extension of existing 'at any time' waiting restrictions outside No.3 Downside Road	Sutton South	20 November 2014	£3,000	Funding to extend 'at any time' waiting restrictions outside No.3 Downside Road. Scheme is to be processed as part of Batch 3 schemes however, no date has been as yet finalised for advertisement of proposals.	August 2015	Faran Forghani	Public Realm Capital
SSCB/ 1415.3	Reduction of Parking Bay outside No.'s 37 and 39 Cumnor Road	Sutton South	20 November 2014	£500	Funding to reduce the length of the current permit parking bay outside Nos. 37 and 39 Cumnor Road by 1.5 metres. This will assist access into the off-street parking area of No. 37. The consultation has now ended and officers are compiling and assessing the results.	August 2015	Faran Forghani	Public Realm Capital
SSCB/ 1415.16	Grange Road and Worcester Road	Belmont & Sutton South	January 2015	£4,000	Funding to investigate traffic calming measures on Grange Road and Worcester Road using traffic surveys, assessments, identifying issues and looking at possible options/solutions.	August 2015	Faran Forghani	Public Realm Capital
				£197,060	CURRENT PUBLIC REALM SCHEMES TOTAL			



Totals by Funding (Including schemes approved in Total by funding (Including schemes approved in previous years)	£
Public Realm Funding	67,500
Transport for London	500
External Funding	122,000
Revenue	7,060
TOTAL FOR EXISTING SCHEMES	£197,060

Section 3 - Completed Schemes 2015/16

Scheme	Ward	Budget	Notes
Rescue and rejuvenation of neglected wildlife area (Belmont Allotments) SSCB/ 1415.4	Belmont	£5,050 Public Realm Capital	The plan, using mainly voluntary supporters, is to clear the Belmont Allotments site of rubbish and overgrown brambles and to cut back the tree canopy where ecologically necessary.
Belmont Pastures Local Nature Reserve hay rattle SSCB/ 1415.5	Belmont	£500 Public Realm converted from Capital to Revenue	Funds were agreed in September 2014 to improve the meadow at Belmont Pastures Local Nature Reserve. The Sutton Council biodiversity team have purchased 2kg hay rattle and the meadow will be seeded before winter 2015
Belmont single yellow line parking (P1 area) SSCB/ 1415.10	Belmont	£8,249 Public Realm TfL	The parking scheme spans two separate Local Committee areas. The P1 area is in South Sutton, Cheam and Belmont. Proposals were advertised and representations discussed with members, and confirmation was received for the scheme to go ahead as advertised with a slight amendment in Sunnymede Avenue (reduction of length by 5m to allow parking by x1 vehicle).



Section 4 - Unfunded Public Realm Schemes for future consideration

Scheme	Ward	Project Sponsor/ Proposer	Date Proposed	Estimated cost	Comments	Officer	Fund
Belmont Village Parking (formerly Queens Road petition)	Belmont	Peter Matthey and David Hicks	2014/15	Cost estimates TBA	Queens Road was assessed along with all other requests in the Highways and Transport Service system using the criteria to indicate priority. Meetings were held with the Chair and Vice Chair of this Local Committee in August 2014 to agree a priority list. This scheme will be kept on the minor parking scheme request list. The response to the petition will not be treated in isolation but to make it part of a larger parking consultation for Belmont Village, if that is required.	Faran Forghani	If funding required - Public Realm Capital
Highfield Area (including Downside Road)	Sutton South	Sutton South Councillors on behalf of Highfield Residents' Association	2014/15	Cost estimates TBA	This scheme was identified as one of two 'reserve' schemes at the Committee meeting in September 2014. Officers met with Highfield Residents Association in August 2014 to advise of a possible scheme and programme	Faran Forghani	Public Realm Capital



Section 5 - Sutton South Cheam and Belmont Local Committee Financial Update

Budget Position	Public Realm Capital Funding	Transport for London Funding	Direct Revenue Funding	Total
	£	£	£	£
Balance from 2014/15 (subject to confirmation from S&R- 29 June 2015)	8,574	0	0	8,574
Allocation for 2015/16	39,373	15,749	10,000	65,122
Budget for the year 2015/16	47,947	15,749	10,000	73,696
Previously allocated to projects in 2015/16				
- Hanging baskets 20.11.14	0	0	-7,060	-7,060
- Committee 23.4.15	-11,000	0	0	-11,000
Schemes proposed (Appendix A – Section 1)	-18,630	-1,600	0	-20,230
Sums previously recycled from completed schemes	0	0	0	0
Balance to be allocated in 2015/16	18,317	14,149	2,940	35,406