


Report to:	Carshalton and Clockhouse Local Committee	Date	17 March 2020
Report title:	Public Realm Projects and Neighbourhood Grants Area Improvements Progress Report		
Report from:	Matt Clubb, Assistant Director, Environment & Community Safety		
Ward/Areas affected:	Carshalton Central, Carshalton South and Clockhouse		
Chair of Committee/Lead Member:	Councillor Amy Haldane		
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Ambitious for Sutton Corporate Plan Priorities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being active • Making informed choices • Living well independently • Keeping people safe 		
Open/Exempt:	Open		
Signed:	Matt Clubb 	Date:	5 March 2020

1. Summary

- 1.1 As part of our commitment to make Sutton a great place to live, work and raise a family the Public Realm programme seeks to make a range of improvements to the physical environment of the borough. This helps to make the borough a place in which we can all take part and take pride.
- 1.2 This report contains information on Public Realm spending since 24 September 2019, details any new requests for Public Realm funding and confirms the available budgets for 2019/20.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To earmark £12,571 from 2020/21 Public Realm Capital converted to Revenue funding for the annual festive lights scheme across all ward areas. (Subject to funding being available from Public Realm following approval of budgets at full Council in March 2020)
- 2.2 To earmark £2,918 from 2020/21 Public Realm Revenue funding for the annual hanging baskets scheme across all ward areas (Subject to funding being available from Public Realm following approval of budgets at full Council in March 2020).

- 2.3 To approve £722 from Public Realm Capital to supply and install a bench at 149 Stanley Park Road.
- 2.4 To approve £685 from Public Realm Capital to supply and install “Happy to Chat” signage for benches throughout the Local Committee area.
- 2.5 To approve £883.95 from Public Realm revenue to add an additional name to the WW1 memorial by Carshalton Ponds.
- 2.6 To approve £417 of recycled Public Realm Capital funding to be added back to the Local Committee budget (detailed in Appendix A, Section 4)

3. Background

- 3.1 This Committee has been allocated Public Realm funding to invest in area improvements.
- 3.2 The work of the Local Committees, including their management of the Public Realm budget play a pivotal role in the development of Sutton Council’s localism agenda and makes a significant contribution to resident engagement in locality decision making.
- 3.3 The approved schemes have a positive effect on the local area and demonstrate the Council’s ongoing commitment to promoting community activity and improving shared spaces that everyone can enjoy.

4. Issues

Schemes for Consideration of Funding

- 4.1 Appendix A, Section 1 shows Public Realm schemes for consideration by the committee, at this meeting.

Current Public Realm Scheme Programme

- 4.2 Appendix A, Section 2 shows all other current Public Realm schemes, within the Programme, previously agreed by the Committee and updates on progress.

Completed Public Realm Schemes

- 4.3 Appendix A, Section 3 sets out Public Realm schemes completed since the last meeting of the Committee:
 - CC/1920.8- Shared cycle/ pedestrian symbols signage in Grove Park
 - CC/1920.2- Festive Lights 2019
 - CC/ 1920.5- Tree planting within Carshalton South
 - CC/ 1920.2a- Additional Festive Lights on Banstead Road

Unfunded Public Realm Schemes

- 4.4 Appendix A, Section 4 sets out previously approved but not yet agreed, Public Realm schemes.

5. Options Considered

- 5.1 Public Realm schemes can be proposed by ward councillors, residents or community representatives. Officers investigate schemes to determine feasibility and viable schemes are presented to the Local Committee to be voted on by Ward Councillors.

6. Impacts and Implications

Financial

- 6.1 The 2019/20 total budget allocation (including carry forward from 2018/19) for the Carshalton and Clockhouse Local Committee is £70,721 made up of £44,903 Public Realm capital; £10,892 Local Transport Fund £14,926 direct revenue funding.
- 6.2 The total cost of the proposed schemes in Appendix A, Section 1 is £2290.95 made up of £1,407 Public Realm capital funding, £883.95 Public Realm revenue funding, £0 transport related schemes and £15,489 Public Realm Capital converted to Revenue (earmarked for 2020/21 subject to funding).
- 6.3 The current available budget for the Carshalton and Clockhouse Local Committee for 2019/20, subject to previously agreed schemes, annual revenue maintenance, recycled funds and agreement of the proposed schemes, is a total of £23,873.05 made up of £13,337 Public Realm capital, £2,892 transport related schemes and £7,644.05 direct revenue funding. This is detailed in Appendix A, Section 6.

Legal

- 6.4 There are no specific legal implications arising from this report.

Other impacts and implications (Equalities)

- 6.5 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 Equality Act 2010.
- 6.6 Consideration is also given to the contribution Public Realm investment and improvements make to the added social value of the borough, in line with the Council's approach to our corporate plan priorities, Ambitious for Sutton.

6.7 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.

7. Appendices and Background Documents

Appendix letter	Title
A	Area Improvements and Public Realm Programme

Background documents
None

Audit Trail		
Version	Final:	Date: 5 March 2020
Consultation with other officers		
Finance	Yes	Tony Cooke
Legal	No	N/A
Other Officers:	Yes	Consultation has been sought with the relevant Officers regarding sections in Appendix A, Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4.
Equality Impact Assessment required?	No	N/A