


Report Title	Progress Report – Area Improvements and Public Realm Programme		
Committee	Beddington & Wallington Local Committee		
Committee Date	2 March 2021		
Committee Chair	Councillor Steve Cook		
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Wards Affected	Wallington South, Wallington North, Beddington South and Beddington North		
Ambitious for Sutton priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Being Active Citizens ● Making Informed Choices ● Living Well Independently ● Keeping People Safe 		
Open/Exempt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Open 		
Signed		Date	16 February 2020

1. Summary

- 1.1 As part of our ambition 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 6 October 2020 details any new requests for Public Realm funding and confirms available budgets for 2020/21.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Approve £1,775 from Public Realm revenue for a memorial tree at Mellows Park.

- 2.2 Approve £4,721 from Public Realm revenue for crossover alterations between Elmwood and Killburns Mill Close.
- 2.3 Approve £1,675 from Public Realm revenue for 5 x additional bollards at Boundary Road.
- 2.4 Approve £1,800 from Public Realm revenue for additional safety measures at Ross Parade.

3. Background and Key Information

- 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. Benefits to Sutton and its Residents

- 4.1 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.
- 4.2 The approved schemes will have a positive effect on the environment in line with the Council's Environment Strategy, by contributing to cleaner air, a greener borough and tackling climate change.

5. Implications

- 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. Finance and Legal Commentary

Finance Comment

- 6.1 The 2020/21 total budget allocation is £69,471 made up of £48,368 Public Realm capital (including £1,157 carried forward from 2019/20), £21,103 direct revenue funding (including £11,103 carried forward from 2019/20).
- 6.2 The committee has previously allocated funds of £56,375 made up of £47,355 Public Realm capital, £9,020 direct revenue funding.

- 6.3 The total cost of the proposed schemes in Appendix A, Section 1 is £9,971 made up of £0 Public Realm capital funding, £9,971 Public Realm revenue funding and £21,617 Public Realm Capital converted to Revenue (earmarked for 2021/22 subject to funding).
- 6.4 The current available budget for Beddington and Wallington Local Committee, subject to previously agreed schemes, recycled funds, annual revenue maintenance and agreement of the proposed schemes, is a total of £3,125 made up of £1,013 Public Realm capital and £2,112 direct revenue funding. This is detailed in Appendix A, Section 6.

Financial Risks

- 6.5 There are no specific financial risks arising from this report.

Legal Comment

- 6.6 None

Legal Risks

- 6.7 There are no specific legal risks arising from this report.
- 6.8 When Public Realm improvements are made as a result of decisions taken by the Local Committee, a particular account is taken of the requirements under the Equality Act 2010.
- 6.9 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
- 6.10 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/or virtually online and everyone is encouraged to take part and put forward their ideas.

7. Appendices and Background Documents

- 7.1 Appendices

Appendix Letter	Appendix Title
A	Progress Report – Area Improvements and Public Realm Programme - Appendix A

	Section 1 - New schemes for consideration Section 2 - Progress on schemes being delivered Section 3 - Completed schemes since the last meeting Section 5 - Beddington & Wallington Local Committee financial position
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7.2 Background Documents

Date of Expiry	Background Document
None	None

7.3 Audit and Consultations Trail

Consultees	Yes/No	Officer	Date of Comments
Finance	Yes	Tony Cooke	
Legal	No	N/A	N/A
Others	Yes	Local Committee Councillors and Service Officers	Consultation has been sought with the relevant Officers regarding Sections 1, 2 & 3 in Appendix A, (as detailed within the Sections)
EQIA	No	N/A	N/A
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