

**NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL
Bellshill and District Local Area
Partnership**

To: BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP		Subject: Local Development Programme
From: HEAD OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT		
Date: 01 May 2008	Ref: DPT/01/02/KG	

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report seeks to inform the Local Area Partnership of the ongoing delivery of the Local Development Programme and to detail new project proposals received for the 2008/09 financial year.

2. Background

- 2.1 As reported to previous Local Area Partnerships the Local Development Programme relates to the Small Communities Budget of Environmental Services supported by funding for DataZone Areas directly through the Community Regeneration Fund and by the coordinated investment of partner agencies and departments.
- 2.2 The projects identified for investment this financial year 2007/08 are at an advanced stage of delivery whilst other projects on the current list continue to be developed for potential delivery within the current 2008/09 financial year and beyond, as part of a continuing programme. In line with the commitment to keep the LAP informed about new projects and issues affecting delivery, the attached Appendix gives an update on the progress to date.
- 2.3 In addition to the project proposals detailed at the attached Appendix, further project proposals are encouraged for consideration as part of the programme. Proposals should present an opportunity to carry out small scale works on sites that may not otherwise benefit from Council investment and which communities or individuals consider would make their area a better place to live.
- 2.4 New project proposals, along with existing project proposals, will require to be assessed against budget availability and a range of criteria as follows:
- (i) have a lasting and noticeable affect on the appearance or ease of use of an area or street
 - (ii) be publicly visible and accessible
 - (iii) improve community safety
 - (iv) benefit a large number of people
 - (v) have local support
 - (vi) supplement the operational programme of Council Services
 - (vii) be small and easy to implement

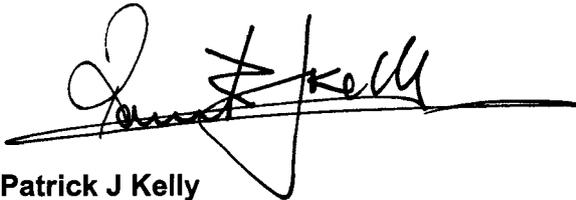
3. Corporate Considerations

- 3.1 The Small Communities Programme highlights the Council's commitment to neighbourhood regeneration and the value of the Local Area Partnerships.

4 Recommendation

4.1 It is recommended that the Partnership agree

- (i) that the projects listed in the attached Appendix should be progressed by the Executive Director of Environmental Services through the Local Development Programme in consultation with Local Communities and the Local Area Partnership.
- (ii) that the progress in delivering the projects or alterations to the programme be reported to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership.

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(25 March 2008)

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Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership: Projects 2008-09

Site & Address	Status	Description
Hattonrigg: Rockburn Park	COMPLETED	Works to improve safety, visibility and access in this location drawn up in conjunction with North Lanarkshire Council Grounds Maintenance have been delivered. This has involved removal of overgrown shrubbery; grass seeding; construction of a stepped access from the ground level path to the football pitch; repair of the bitmac path to the rear of Nos. 85 – 165 Rockburn Crescent and removal of an old wall section at the north entrance to the park.
Fallside: Gas Flats Phase 2	COMPLETED	A contribution from the Local Development Programme has assisted in the delivery of phase two landscape improvements at the Gas Flats, Fallside. This has involved redesign of over mature and inappropriately planted shrub beds and creation of new block paved areas to improve local environmental quality. The works have been delivered in partnership with North Lanarkshire Council Grounds Maintenance and Estates.
Orbiston: Ravenscraig Greenlink Extension	COMPLETED	Works to create an additional resurfaced path link from Community Road, Orbiston to the Ravenscraig Greenlink have now been completed. The works have been delivered in partnership with North Lanarkshire Council Roads and Transportation.
Orbiston: Rosevale Crescent / Glencalder Crescent	COMPLETED	Works to resurface a substandard path link between Rosevale Crescent and Glencalder Crescent have now been completed. This will enhance accessibility and improve connections between communities in the area. The works have been delivered in partnership with North Lanarkshire Council Estates Maintenance.
Tannochside: Gateway Feature	CONTRACT LET	Details for a gateway scheme at the entrance to Tannochside by the Smurfit factory have been prepared by North Lanarkshire Council Landscape Services. A Contractor has been appointed to deliver the works on site, which include the creation of a new feature wall with associated landscaping.
Holytown: War Memorial Gardens and War Memorial	IN PROGRESS	A Landscape Architect has been appointed to oversee appointment of a contractor and management of delivery on site. Design options for the improvement of the site are currently being revisited in light of various influences on the site, in order to develop the most suitable scheme for the site. It is therefore anticipated that delivery on site will commence during summer 2008.
Mossend: Burnside Avenue	IN PROGRESS	Work on site to create the new car parking area with associated landscaping has now commenced and is well underway. Additional funding for the completion of this project has been made available through the Community Regeneration Fund.
Mossend: Milnwood Drive	IN PROGRESS	The improvement of this former lock-up area remains under consideration and quotes have been sought for upgrade of the surfacing to encourage greater use of the site. A more

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		detailed analysis of the options for improving this site requires to be undertaken along with other similar land locked areas through Bellshill and District to ensure that proposed interventions are effective and have a lasting benefit to surrounding residents.
Holytown: Shirrel Burn	ONGOING	A Landscape Architect commission has been completed; this has produced a range of options for the improvement of this open space area. This is a large scale project that will require phased delivery and funding input from other sources. Further development work will be progressed this financial year to determine a potential programme of works and funding sources, along with opportunities to engage with surrounding communities.
Tannochside: Old Edinburgh Road, Sixth Street	ONGOING	The disabled ramp has been constructed. Permission is awaited from adjacent landowners regarding access through the fence line from the ramp into the retail park in order to complete the works. Liaison between Council Officials and Legal representatives is continuing in order to finalise the details required for this project to progress.
Viewpark: Laburnam Road (Viewpark Glen)	ONGOING	Design details for access and environmental improvements to this woodland area have been drawn up using internal resources. Delivery options for the proposals will be investigated in conjunction with North Lanarkshire Council Conservation and Greening, with external funding options investigated to augment funding that may be available through the Local Development Programme.
Mossend: Glencalder Crescent	PROJECT PROPOSAL	A retaining wall to the rear of Nos. 19-23 Glencalder Crescent has fallen into disrepair, with subsequent negative visual and community safety effects. The situation could be improved through reducing the height of the wall and topping with railings.
Orbiston: Raewell Crescent	PROJECT PROPOSAL	The circular open space at Raewell Crescent could benefit from landscape and functional upgrade, including such as new planting, resurfacing paths and creating a better link to the nearby bus stop. Further investigation is required to determine the options for potential upgrade of this residential open space area.
Orbiston: Vincent Court	PROJECT PROPOSAL	The lane between Vincent Court and Philip Court is well used as a route between residential areas and local facilities on Hamilton Road. The lane is poorly surfaced however and attracts a degree of anti-social behaviour. These issues could be alleviated through resurfacing of the lane and installing new lighting. Further investigation is required to determine the feasibility of this project and delivery options.