

**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	
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report seeks to update the Local Area Partnership and Committee of the ongoing delivery of projects identified for investment through the Local Development Programme across the Bellshill and District Area during financial years 2008/09 and 2009/10.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The partnership will recall at the Local Area Partnership of 14 August 2008 a list of projects to be delivered in the Bellshill and District Area through the Local Development Programme was approved for progression during the 2008/09 financial year. At the Local Area Partnership meeting of 19th February 2009 a list of projects to be delivered in the Bellshill and District Area through the Local Development Programme was approved for progress during the 2009/10 financial year.

3. CRITERIA FOR LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

- 3.1 To be eligible for inclusion in the Local Development Programme projects must subscribe to previously agreed criteria. The following are examples of some of the criteria:

- Be linked to the Neighbourhood Improvement Plan
- Be publicly visible and accessible
- Come from Community Groups or Individuals
- Improve community safety
- Benefit a large number of people
- Improve the appearance of an area

- 3.2 A review is to take place of the issues surrounding proposed works to areas of non-Council/public sector land. The outcome of the review will be brought to a future LAP meeting.

4. 2008/09 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

- 4.1 The table attached to this report (Appendix 1) provides a status update on the delivery of the various projects identified for investment in financial year 2008/09. The projects are at various stages of delivery through a number of sources, including the Council's Estates and Grounds Maintenance teams and external contractors. Finalised costs for the projects, where available, are also detailed within the attached table. The delivery programme and costs for the 2008/09 projects in places has altered from the initial indicative costings reported at the LAP of 14 August 2008; this is due to a number of

factors such as level of consultation required, further detailing of initial designs and availability of delivery resources. A detailed explanation of the current position for each site is provided within the table.

- 4.2 The table attached (Appendix 2) identifies the list of projects recommended for approval by the Local Area Partnership for delivery during the financial year 2009/10. The Partnership should note the list may be subject to revision and refinement following internal/external consultation, land ownership and site survey analysis. The Partnership is encouraged to bring forward suggestions to the Local Regeneration Manager, for inclusion within the Local Development Programme for 2010/11. These projects will be entered on a holding list and will be assessed and considered for delivery in 2010/11.
- 4.3 The list of projects for 2009/10 represents a combination of new and continuing projects, with a spread of investment proposed across the Partnership area. A holding list of projects for future investment potential is also identified, for further investigation and development during the 2009/10 financial year.

5. CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS

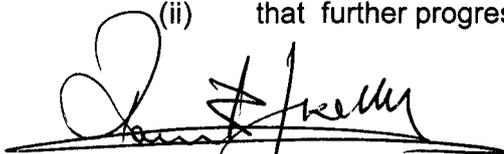
- 5.1 The Local Development Programme highlights the Council's commitment to neighbourhood regeneration and the value of the Local Area Partnerships.

6 RECOMMENDATION

- 6.1 It is recommended that the Local Area Partnership agree:

(i) the progress in relation to the delivery of the projects in 2008/09 (Appendix 1) and 2009/10 (Appendix 2) by the Executive Director of Environmental Services through the Local Development Programme;

(ii) that further progress be reported to future meetings of the LAP



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Bellshill and District Local Area Partnership: List of Projects 2008-09

Site and Address	Proposed Delivery Method	Status	Investment 08/09	Description of Proposals
Bellshill: Gardenside / Vincent Court	External Contract	Consultation and Design Stage	£0	Further consultation has been conducted with West of Scotland Housing Association and tenants of Phillip Court Strathclyde Police and residents of Vincent Court, the results of which are being assessed in order to devise the most appropriate scheme for the area. Due to the additional consultation required, delivery has been delayed with works unlikely to commence prior to May 2009.
Bellshill: Warnock Crescent	External Contract	Completed	£65,000	Finalised designs and subsequent tender returns for intervention at Warnock Crescent to aid vehicular circulation, improve footpaths and environmental quality have resulted in a required increased investment at the site to resolve the issues identified. Works are now complete.
Birkenshaw: Sixth Street	External Contract	Design Stage	£0	Clarification on the suitability of Local Development Programme funding on private land is required prior to taking forward any proposals at this location.
Fallside: Fallside Primary School (area to rear)	NLC Corporate Services	Completed	£10,000	Removal of a fence and shelter at the rear of Fallside Primary School to address issues of graffiti and anti social behaviour. The works have now been completed.
Holytown: Memorial Gardens	External Contract	Works due to commence on site in May 2009.	£40,000	Detailed proposals have now been prepared for the improvement of the setting of the Holytown War Memorial and soft landscaping / drainage within the memorial gardens. A contractor has now been appointed and works will commence on site in May 2009.

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Holytown: Olive Court	NLC Design Services / external contract	Design Stage. Works to be considered for delivery in 2010/11 financial year	£0	Designs have now been prepared by NLC Design Services for the creation of a small residential parking and rear access facility on an existing area of poor quality hard-standing. It is anticipated that this project will be progressed during the 2010/11 financial year.
Holytown: Shirrel Burn	North Lanarkshire Council Grounds Maintenance	Completed	£37,000	North Lanarkshire Council Grounds Maintenance have completed work on site including shrubbery removal and thinning works at selected locations within this large scale open space, focussed around the southern entrance from Quarry Street / Loanhead Road to improve community safety, visibility and thereby attractiveness of the space.
Mossend: Milnwood Drive	NLC Estates Maintenance	Completed	£1,000	North Lanarkshire Council Estates Maintenance have removed debris, overgrown shrubbery and generally cleaned up this former garage site. North Lanarkshire Council Housing will be undertaking some fencing improvements during 2009/10 to complement these works to improve the appearance / amenity of the space.
Orbiston: The Jewell Scheme	North Lanarkshire Council Estates Maintenance	Completed	£55,000	A scheme of landscape improvement and rationalisation has been completed, focussed on areas at Turquoise Terrace and Emerald Terrace, with delivery by North Lanarkshire Council Grounds Maintenance. The works involved the thinning and removal of dense shrubbery to improve visibility in the targeted areas.
Orbiston: Raewell Crescent	External contract	Completed	£21,000	Works are now complete at this area of open space. Footpaths have been paved and the area has been landscaped with new tree and shrub planting.

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Uddingston: First Avenue	NLC Estates Maintenance	Completed	£20,000	NLC Estates Maintenance have completed works lowering the wall by First Avenue sub-station, regrading the bank and the establishment of barrier planting. Estates maintenance have also resurfaced the path leading from Calderbraes Avenue to First Avenue and introduced a new section of path without steps to accommodate wheelchairs and prams.
Viewpark: Fitness Centre	Financial Contribution	Completed	£20,000	Financial contribution only towards Viewpark Fitness Centre. The project was to upgrade to an aerobics studio at a total cost of £20K matched budget with Moffat Trust and Small Awards Lottery. This is in line with the Council's Community Planning under the Health Improvement agenda. Viewpark features in the worst 15% datazones.
Viewpark: Juniper Road/ Burnhead Street (Gala Day park)	North Lanarkshire Council Grounds Maintenance	Completed	£4,000	NLC Estates Maintenance have completed works to remove the old metal fence at the south end of Gala Day park on Juniper Road and Burnhead Street, with minor repairs made to the remaining stretch of fence where feasible. A new pedestrian barrier has also been installed at the entrance to the park to replace the old rusty gates.
Viewpark: Land adjacent to St Columba's Club Hall	North Lanarkshire Council Grounds Maintenance	Completed	£20,000	NLC Estates Maintenance have completed the construction of a new footpath from St Columba's Club Hall to Old Edinburgh Road along with removal / repair of fencing in places and the construction of a new section of fencing to the side of the car park. Traffic and Transportation have assisted with the project by extending the pedestrian guardrail along Laburnum Road.
Viewpark: Myrtle Road	North	Detailed	£12,000	Martin Berkley Environmental Design has produced

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	Lanarkshire Council Grounds Maintenance	Design Stage. Works to commence late 2009 and be phased as required over 2009/10 and 2010/11		detailed designs for the improvement of the former lock up site at the corner of Myrtle Road and Douglas Crescent, which are subject to further consultation with residents. The costs returned are higher than envisaged, due to the range of works required to create a usable and attractive space for surrounding residents. Further funding for this project was agreed at the February LAP and this project will be taken forward during 2009/10.
Viewpark: Viewpark Glen	External Contractor	Completed	£25,000	Work has been completed on access, drainage and environmental improvements with the south area of Viewpark Glen, leading from the entrance by Laburnum Road to the area to the rear of Burnhead Parish Church. The works have been devised in conjunction with NLC Conservation and Greening with the funding available through the LDP supplementing external funding secured by Conservation and Greening. Proposals will continue to be developed by NLC Conservation and Greening and Central Scotland Forest Trust for the wider improvement of the Glen, with funding to be sought from the Forestry Commission next year.
Holytown: Dornoch Road	External Contractor	Completed	£29,000	Works to widen and resurface footpaths, install new bins and new tree planting to complement the new play areas project being developed by Fairplay for Families, in conjunction with North Lanarkshire Council, have now been completed following approval by the LAP in February 2009. Delivery of these works has been brought forward due to a contractor already being established on site.

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Site and Address	Indicative Cost	Status	Description
Bellshill - Gardenside	£30,000	Continuing Project Proposal for 2009/10	Finalisation of a scheme at this location following consultation with neighbouring residents and all involved stakeholders, which effectively addresses the issues of anti-social behaviour experienced in the Gardenside Lane, whilst maintaining access links.
Fallside – Gas Flats Phase 3	£50,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Final phase of improvement works to be delivered to common drying areas and landscaped areas at the Fallside Gas Flats, with details and delivery programme to be devised in conjunction with Housing and Estates Maintenance.
Hattonrigg – Rockburn Park at North Road	£20,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Appropriate improvement works to the area of open space which acts as an entrance to Rockburn Park adjacent to North Road.
Holytown – Memorial Gardens	£100,000	Continuing Project Proposal 2009/10	Continuation of works commenced during the 2008/09 financial year to improve the setting of the Holytown War Memorial with associated soft works and drainage improvements within the gardens.
Orbiston – Jewell Scheme Phase 2	£20,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Continuation of works to improve community safety and landscape quality within the Jewell Scheme. Works could focus on the improvement of drying greens at Turquoise Terrace and Emerald Terrace.
Orbiston – Lawmuir Road	£35,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Suitable environmental and access improvement works to the open spaces, paths and access road in the vicinity of the local shop at Lawmuir Road, Orbiston

Orbiston – Liberty Road	£26,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Construction of a parking lay-by at Liberty Road to ease congestion and thereby improve community safety, and to cater for the local community making use of nearby facilities.
Viewpark – Myrtle Road / Douglas Crescent	£50,000	Continuing Project Proposal 2009/10	Further development of design proposals drawn up by Martin Berkley Environmental Design for the vacant site at Myrtle Road / Douglas Crescent, Viewpark to enhance environmental quality and functionality of the space. The range of works which can be delivered will depend upon costs, and may require to be phased over this and the following financial year.
Viewpark – Land to the rear of Viewpark Health Centre	£15,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	The clean up of this derelict site to the rear of Viewpark Health Centre and adjacent to Burnhead Bowling Club which is currently overgrown, untidy and attracting anti-social behaviour.
Mossend- Clydesdale Road/Christie Street	£25,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Landscaping improvements to this corner site to cut back overgrown vegetation to improve the safety and visibility of this area.
Mossend- King George V Park	£25,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Suitable environmental and access improvement works to the open spaces and paths in the vicinity of the park
Total:	£421,000		

Holding list for future consideration

Site and Address	Description
Viewpark- Myrtle Road	Further funding for the project which is being progressed during 2009/10
Holytown- Shirrel Burn Phase 2	Investigate continuation of landscape management works, footpath improvements and other suitable improvements
Holytown – Olive Court	Creation of a residential access road and parking facility, with associated bin storage area, to the rear of Olive Court, Holytown to replace an area

	of slabs currently in poor condition.
Mossend- Clydesdale Road	Environmental improvements to this former allotment site