

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL
Airdrie Local Area Partnership

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| To: AIRDRIE LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP | | Subject: Local Development Programme |
| From: HEAD OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT | | |
| Date: 20 February 2008 | Ref: DPT/01/01 | |

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report seeks to inform the Local Area Partnership of the ongoing delivery of the Local Development Programme. Investment at some of these locations may require to be phased into the following financial year as part of a continuing programme.

2. Background

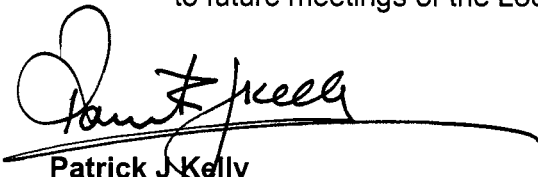
- 2.1 As reported to previous Local Area Partnerships the Local Development Programme relates to the Small Communities Budget of the Environmental Service supported by funding for DataZone Areas directly through the Community Regeneration Fund and by the coordinated investment of partner agencies and departments.
- 2.2 A number of projects have been identified for investment during the 2007/08 financial year and are at varying stages of development and delivery. 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.

3. Corporate Considerations

- 3.1 The Small Communities Programme highlights the Council's commitment to neighborhood 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 Partnerships.
 - (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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APPENDIX: AIRDRIE AREA PARTNERSHIP - LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2007 - 2008

| Site & Address | Status | Description |
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| Reid Street Backcourt, Rawyards | DELIVERED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works are now complete on this pilot project to clean up and enhance the use of this backcourt. |
| Greengairs Road, Wattston Village | DELIVERED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works are now complete, with 13 car parks providing safe off street car parking in this Council owned residential area. The physical works were delivered through the Housing & Social Work Services term contractor. |
| Varnsdorf Way, Four Isles | DELIVERED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works are now complete at this site to improve access to the Neighbourhood centre at Petersburn through footpath and environmental improvement works. • Minor additional works are proposed to address ongoing drainage problems. |
| Deedes Street | WORKS COMMENCED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This project is nearing completion and has involved improvements to establish formal parking areas to the rear of residential and commercial uses in Deedes Street in partnership with Housing & Social Work Services who have secured a grant to undertake backcourt improvements. • A contractor has been engaged to undertake both the backcourt enhancements and the road work improvements. |
| Glenmavis Bowling Club | WORKS COMMENCED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works have now commenced to provide a small car parking area for the Glenmavis Bowling club and adjacent recreation area to relieve existing car parking problems in this residential area. • The physical works will be delivered through the Housing & Social work Services term contractor. |
| Centenary Park, Airdrie | WORKS COMMENCED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Lanarkshire Council are working in partnership with the Friends of West End/Centenary Park to provide a unique entrance feature for the park on Centenary Avenue. • An artist has prepared detailed designs for the proposed sculpture which is now being fabricated off site for installation. |
| Cnr Crowwood Road & Woodside Road, Calderbank | WORKS COMMENCED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed designs have been prepared to enhance the footpath networks and amenity of this landscaped area. • Physical works at this site are to be delivered as part of a package of works along with sites at Calderbank and Whinhall. A contractor has been appointed and works have started on site. |
| Calderbank Wheelie Bin Initiative | WORKS COMMENCED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a join initiative between North Lanarkshire Council, Strathclyde Police and Strathclyde Fire & Rescue to address the existing problem of wheelie bins being stolen and then set on fire causing damage to property and potential serious injury of death to members of the public. Funding will be used to make entrances inaccessible to wheelie |

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| | | <p>bins while retaining access for walkers and local residents to the North Calder Heritage trail and glen area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2006/07 funding was used to make the entrance at English Row inaccessible to wheelie bins while retaining access for walkers and local residents to the North Calder Heritage trail and glen area. Minor landscaping works are required to improve the general amenity of this entrance. Physical works at this site are to be delivered as part of a package of works along with sites at Calderbank and Whinhall. A contractor has been appointed and works have started on site. |
| Whinhall Open Space Areas | WORKS COMMENCED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Options are being considered for the enhancement of a number of open space areas within Whinhall. In 2007/08 projects are being considered for 3 sites including areas at Kipps Avenue, Robertson Street and Manor Drive. Physical works at this site are to be delivered as part of a package of works along with sites at Calderbank and Whinhall. A contractor has been appointed and works have started on site. |
| Craigneuk shops & local areas | CONTRACTOR APPOINTED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental improvements are proposed to areas surrounding the neighbourhood shopping centre on Willow Drive and will be funded through the Neighbourhood Shopping Centres Regeneration Programme. A contractor has now been appointed to deliver the works and is due to start on site in February. |
| Cromarty Road, Cairnhill | COMMISSION LET | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental improvements are proposed to areas surrounding the play area to buffer adjoining property from anti social behaviour. The works are to be delivered by NLC's Grounds Maintenance team. |
| Longriggend Community Association, Telegraph Road | UNDER CONSIDERATION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An opportunity exists to enhance the environment adjacent to the village hall by improving safety of connections to local recreational trails/bridleways and general environmental improvements. |
| Airdrie Backcourt Strategy | UNDER CONSIDERATION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to the success of the environmental improvements currently underway at Reid Street backcourt, a Backcourt Strategy is being prepared which will take in other areas within Airdrie. However, it is likely that funding will need to be secured from another source to take this forward. |
| Chapelhall Open Space Areas | UNDER CONSIDERATION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Options are being considered for the enhancement of open space areas at two sites including Queen's Crescent and George Street. |