

To: AIRDRIE 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 Airdrie area during financial year 2008/09, and also to detail a list of projects for which approval is sought to progress during the forthcoming 2009//10 financial year.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Partnership will recall at the Local Area Partnership of 13 August 2008 a list of projects to be delivered in the Airdrie area through the Local Development Programme was approved for progression during the 2008/09 financial year. Approval was also received to continue investigations into a list of projects identified for future investment potential through the Local Development Programme.

3. 2008/09 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

- 3.1 The table attached to this report 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 13 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. 2009/10 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

- 4.1 A number of new project proposals have been received over the last few months from Local Members, community organisations and local residents. The table attached identifies the list of projects recommended for approval by the LAP 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 should note also that once the list is agreed no further projects will be considered for delivery in 2009/10. However, the Partnership is encouraged to bring forward suggestions to the Local Regeneration Manager for inclusion within the Local Development Programme 2010/11. These projects will be entered on a holding list and will be assessed and considered for delivery in 2010/11.
- 4.2 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 note:

- (i) the progress in relation to the delivery of the projects in 2008/09 listed in the attached Appendix by the Executive Director of Environmental Services through the Local Development Programme;
- (ii) that the list of projects detailed within the attached Appendix be approved for delivery through the Local Development Programme in financial year 2009/10;
- (iii) that further progress be reported to future meetings of the LAP



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Airdrie Local Area Partnership: Local Development Programme 2008-09

Site and Address	Proposed Delivery Method	Status	Description of Proposals
Whinhall Open Space Areas	Private Consultant /Contractor	Completed	These completed works provided environmental improvements to 3 sites within Whinhall, improving access and amenity at sites on Manor Drive, Robertson Street and Kipps Avenue.
2-12 Aitken Street, Rawyards	Housing and Social Work. (Airdrie Housing Office)	Completed	Environmental improvements have been completed at this site to address anti social behaviour.
Central Park Kickabout Area (Phase 1)	North Lanarkshire Council Estates Maintenance	Completed	This project involved the provision of a multi sports facility on the site of an area currently used informally for football but which suffers from poor drainage.
Craigneuk Park	Environmental Services / Landscape Architects	Works Commenced	<p>This project involves environmental improvements to address community safety and security issues within this park.</p> <p>An initial phase of environmental improvements has now been completed with a further phase programmed to commence later this financial year.</p>
Centenary Park Public Art Phase 2	North Lanarkshire Council Estates Maintenance/ contractor	Works Commenced	<p>Phase 2 involves landscaping and a plaque to complement the recent art installation and complete this entrance feature to Centenary Park. This project is being delivered in partnership with the Friends of West End/Centenary Park.</p> <p>The Council's Estates Maintenance team will undertake the landscaping works and an external contractor will manufacture a plaque.</p>
Longriggend Village Hall	North Lanarkshire Council Estates Maintenance	Works Commenced	<p>This project has been identified in consultation with the Longriggend Village Association. Environmental improvements are required to improve access connections to longer distance paths and allow easier maintenance of the site.</p> <p>These works are be undertaken by the Council's Estate maintenance team.</p>

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Cairnhill Woodland Area	Private Consultant/Contractor	Contractor Appointed	<p>This project has been identified by the Sutherland Drive Action Group to improve access for local residents along key paths within the Cairnhill Woodland Area. External grant funding has been secured from the Forestry Commission Scotland through their Woodlands in and Around Towns (WIAT) fund which will allow a wider scheme of improvements to be delivered. A contractor has now been appointed for these works.</p>
Gibb Street, Chapelhall	Private Consultant/Contractor	Contractor Appointed	<p>This project has been identified by the Chapelhall Regeneration Group and involves environmental improvements to improve access and amenity within this open space area.</p> <p>A contractor is currently being appointed to implement the proposals as part of a package of works along with sites at Bellshill.</p>
Bruce Street Multi Sports Area, Plains	Environmental Services / Landscape Architects	Contractor Appointed	<p>This project would regenerate the existing derelict tennis court site to provide a new multi sports facility for the local community.</p> <p>A contractor has now been appointed with the physical works to start in February. All going well the works will take six weeks to complete.</p>
Glebe Street, Clarkston	Housing and Social Work. (Airdrie Housing Office)	Contractor Appointed	<p>Additional car parking is required at this location to alleviate issues of community safety related to on street car parking.</p> <p>A contractor has been appointed and the works are programmed to commence in March.</p>
Rochsoles Drive	Housing and Social Work.	Contractor Appointed	<p>Additional off street car parking is required at this location to alleviate issues of community safety related to on street car parking.</p> <p>A contractor has been appointed and the works are programmed to commence in March.</p>

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Craigneuk Avenue/Willow Drive, Craigneuk	North Lanarkshire CCTV Ltd	Planning Stage	<p>Installation of two CCTV cameras in Craigneuk for the purpose of reducing anti social behaviour, reducing drug related crime, providing public reassurance and improving policing responses to the area.</p> <p>In addition to the two cameras funded through the LDP; an additional two cameras have been allocated to Craigneuk.</p> <p>These works have now been instructed and are programmed to start in March.</p>
George Street, Chapelhall	Private Consultant/Contractor		<p>This project was identified by the Chapelhall Regeneration Group which sought environmental improvements to improve access and amenity within this open space area.</p> <p>This project can not be progressed at this point in time as the most appropriate use for this site is currently being considered by the Council.</p>
West End Park	External Contractor	N/A	<p>The Friends of Centenary & West Park Group are developing a number of projects to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the West End Park and are currently securing external funding to deliver these projects.</p> <p>Funding is no longer required from the LDP this financial year for these projects.</p>
Petersburn Community Park, Phase 4	Petersburn Development Trust		<p>Unfortunately the grant application for funding from WREN was unsuccessful and so a contribution towards Phase 4 of the Petersburn Community Park is no longer required in 2008/09. Subsequently the LDP funding for this project has been redistributed amongst the other approved projects being delivered.</p>

Airdrie Local Area Partnership: Local Development Programme 2009/10

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Gibb Street, Chapelhall	£35,000	Continuing Project Proposal 2009/10	Continuation of environmental improvement works commenced in 2008/09 financial year to improve access and amenity within this open space area.
Cairnhill Woodland Area	£0	Continuing Project Proposal 2009/10	Continuation of woodland management and access works commenced in 2008/09 financial year to the Cairnhill Woods. It is envisaged that the cost of these works can be recovered through grant funding secured from Forestry Commission Scotland.
Central Park Multi Sports Area (Phase 2)	£35,000	Continuing Project Proposal 2009/10	This project involves a second phase of works to the multi sports facility which was started in 2008/09 financial year. This further funding is required to complete the works associated with this facility.
West End Park Public Art	£5,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Fabrication and installation of a gateway feature/public art for West End park which is being developed by the Friends of Centenary & West End Park and North Lanarkshire Council. The LDP could be used to assist a funding shortfall
Cairnhill Road Path Connections, Cairnhill	£90,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Improve the safety of path connections into Airdrie along Cairnhill Road between Sykeside Road and Cromarty Road. A new section of path is required so minimise and remove the need to cross the road. Additional funding will need to be secured to ensure the delivery of this project.
Woodhall Avenue, Calderbank	£25,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Improve existing entrance to the Monkland Canal and access routes by addressing existing issues with vandalism and antisocial behaviour through the improvement of the existing access point off Woodhall Avenue. These improvements would be developed in partnership with the Monkland Canal Steering Group and local community groups.
Rankin Crescent, Greengairs	£25,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Additional off street car parking is required at this location to alleviate issues of community safety related to on-street car parking.
Allotments – Craigneuk & Petersburn	£6,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	An opportunity exists to work with and support the Craigneuk Residents Association and also the Petersburn & Craigneuk Regeneration Group to establish allotments on a number of local sites.
Cairnhill Road, Cairnhill	£15,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	This site is located on Cairnhill Rd just after the Woodburn Avenue, where the road runs besides the cycle path. Environmental improvements are required to improve

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			the existing poor condition of this site which is owned the charity 'Railway Paths Ltd'. It is a requirement that agreement is reached with the landowners regarding site maintenance prior to improvement works taking place.
Keep Scotland Beautiful Campaign, Airdrie	£25,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	A new initiative is being developed by the Council, with Streetsmart taking a lead, to facilitate the implementation small scale environmental improvements identified by local communities. A contribution from the LDP could be used to contribute towards the physical costs of the identified improvements.
Petersburn Community Park – Phase 4	£25,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	Although unsuccessful last year, the Petersburn Development Trust will be making a new application for grant funding from WREN. LDP funding could be used to support this application to ensure its delivery.
Land adjacent to Garden Square Walk, Whinhall	£35,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	North Lanarkshire Council owns land to adjacent to a lane which runs between Garden Square Walk and Cherry Bank Walk , which has been the focus for anti Social behaviour). An opportunity exists to provide environmental improvements to the open space area, improving it's amenity value and reducing the anti social behaviour.
Bruce Street/Moffat Walk, Plains	£45,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	An opportunity exists to complement the recent installation of a multi sports facility with the provision of play facilities for young people and teenagers.
Crowhill Crescent, Rochsoles	£50,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	An opportunity exists to provide a multi sports area adjacent to the Rochsoles Community Centre on the existing unused blaes sports pitch surface. An application will be made to WREN to fund 45% of the total cost (estimated at £100,000) in addition Rochsoles Community project would be involved and will co-ordinate Community Consultation and support from other parties.
Commonside Street, Rochsoles	£20,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	An opportunity exists for environmental improvements to improve access of a key pedestrian route.
Cenotaph, Monks court Avenue, Airdrie	£40,000	Project Proposal 2009/10	An opportunity exists for environmental improvements to improve the setting and use of the areas adjacent to the Cenotaph.
Holding List			
Crowwood Drive, Craigneuk.	£10,000	Holding List (Reserve Project	Environmental improvements at the approach to the railway bridge at Crowwood Drive Craigneuk. Replace approximate 100 metres of fencing in poor condition with metal fencing.

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Brownsburn Park Land adjacent to Woodview Drive.	£4,000	Holding List (Reserve Project	To reduce anti social behaviour in this location it is proposed that shrubs be planted on Council owned land within Brownsburn Park to the rear of Woodview Drive.