

# FAREHAM

## BOROUGH COUNCIL

### **Report to Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel**

**Date**                    **3 September 2014**

**Report of:**            **Director of Community**

**Subject:**              **OPEN SPACES IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME    OUTDOOR  
SPORTS FACILITIES**

#### **SUMMARY**

In November 2013 the Executive approved an improvement programme for the Councils outdoor sports facilities utilising developer contributions collected since the 1980's.

This report reviews progress against the plan and presents an updated programme for the period April 2014 to March 2024.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Panel is asked to give their comments on the updated outdoor sports facilities improvement programme to be reported to the Executive.

## **INTRODUCTION**

1. In November 2013, the Executive approved a five year improvement programme for the Council's outdoor sports facilities, play space and other recreational facilities utilising developer contributions.
2. This report reviews progress against the outdoor recreation element of this plan and presents an updated programme for the period from April 2014. The plan in relation to play space and other recreational facilities will be reported separately.
3. The projects will be funded from developer contributions where available or from contributions from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), subject to collection of funds and successful bids to the Executive. Opportunities for external funding will also be explored where possible to supplement scheme funding.

## **OPEN SPACE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME**

### **Progress on 2013 - 2014 Projects.**

4. The installation of the drainage scheme at Burridge Recreation Ground has been completed to schedule.
5. The refurbishment of the tennis courts at St Johns Recreation Ground at Locks Heath has been completed with a new macadam surface provided and colour coated.
6. The creation of a new cricket square at the Bath Lane Recreation Ground has been completed to schedule.
7. The project to extend and refurbish the changing rooms at the Bath Lane Recreation Ground, to demolish the existing club house and construct a new grounds maintenance store is progressing well and construction is due to start in September 2014. The two projects (Changing rooms and grounds maintenance store) have been combined into one and the total budget increased by £44,000 to £494,000 due to the increase in construction prices since the budget was first approved.
8. The project to improve the boundary protection at Sarisbury Green Recreation ground has been deferred to 2015-16 pending trials of a new lightweight netting system. Should this be unsuccessful, then a number of alternative options have been developed for consultation.

### **Progress on 2014 - 2015 Projects**

9. The project to provide new football pitches and changing accommodation in the western wards at the Coldeast site is progressing well. The feasibility work into pitch provision has confirmed that one adult and one youth pitch can be provided. This project will now be delivered in conjunction with the scheme to deliver the western wards swimming pool. The project has therefore been deferred to 2015/16.

10. The refurbishment of the tennis courts at Stubbington Recreation Ground has been completed with the provision of a new macadam surface.
11. The first stage of the feasibility study at the Hook Recreation ground has been completed. This has confirmed that four adult sports pitches could be brought back into use subject to regrading the ground and implementation of a drainage system at an approximate cost of £450,000. The remaining feasibility work to the existing changing rooms will be carried out if any local sports clubs can obtain sufficient funding towards the cost of the drainage scheme.
12. The replacement skate park facility for Park Lane Recreation Ground has been designed in conjunction with a focus group of users to provide an all concrete facility which is better for all users of the facility. The existing steel skate ramp will be removed from site but a similar feature included within the new design. To accommodate this budget has been increased by £20,000 to £120,000.
13. The project to provide a more robust roof covering to the changing rooms at Seafield Park is currently underway and will complete in autumn 2014.
14. The Park Lane Recreation Ground outdoor gym equipment and relocated play area are on programme for delivery in autumn 2014.
15. Following the provision of a new petanque terrain at the Fareham North West Community Centre the project to provide the terrain at Park Lane has been removed from the programme.

#### **Progress on 2015-2016 Projects and beyond**

16. At this time no progress has been made on those projects scheduled for 2015-16.

#### **REMOVED PROJECTS**

17. The following projects have been removed from the open spaces improvement programme:
  - (a) The petanque terrain at Bath Lane.
  - (b) The cricket square at Seafield Park.
  - (c) The cricket practice nets at Seafield Park.

#### **NEW PROJECTS**

18. The following new projects are proposed for inclusion in the open spaces improvement programmes:-
19. The underground drainage system at the changing rooms at BurrIDGE has failed with the main concern being where this runs beneath the adjoining Village Hall. To bring the changing rooms back into use and provide a more suitable system for the future, it is proposed to create a new drainage run around the perimeter of the building at a cost of £15,000. It is proposed to carry out the works in 2014/15.
20. The changing rooms at the Locks Heath recreation ground suffer from inadequate ventilation, the boilers are over 50 years old and very inefficient and the shower

system is poorly designed and not configured to meet the demand. A project to address these issues and to decorate the exterior of the building has been added to the programme for 2015/16 at accost of £33,000.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

21. The available funding for each of the CATs area for the outdoor sport improvement programme is set out in the following table:

<b>Area</b>	<b>Available Budget</b>	<b>Uncommitted</b>
Western Wards	£1,579,130	£483,130
Fareham	£992,626	£252,626
Crofton	£141,883	£76,883
Portchester	£9,720	£9,720
Titchfield	£33,975	£975
Borough Wide	£273,016	£273,016
<b>Total</b>	<b>£3,030,350</b>	<b>£1,096,350</b>

## RISK ASSESSMENT

22. There are no significant risk considerations in relation to this report.

## CONCLUSION

23. Good progress has been made in delivering the open spaces improvement programme. A review of existing projects undertaken and a number of new schemes have been identified and a new programme has been recommended.

### Enquiries:

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## New Open Spaces Improvement Programme

<b>2014-15 Improvement Programme</b>					
<b>Project</b>	<b>Cats Area</b>	<b>Budget Required</b>	<b>Budget Available</b>	<b>Funding Required</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Feasibility study at Hook Recreation Ground	Western Wards	£25,000	£25,000	£0	
Burridge Changing Rooms Improvements	Western Wards	£15,000	£15,000	£0	
Skate Park at Park Lane.	Fareham	£120,000	£120,000	£0	
Outdoor Gym at Park Lane.	Fareham	£50,000	£50,000	£0	
Relocation of play area at Park Lane	Fareham	£80,000	£80,000	£0	
Bath Lane cricket pavilion and grounds maintenance store.	Fareham	£490,000	£490,000	£0	
Seafield Park building improvements.	Crofton	£50,000	£50,000	£0	
Fencing improvements at the Crofton Bowls Club	Crofton	£15,000	£15,000	£0	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>£845,000</b>	<b>£845,000</b>	<b>£0</b>	

<b>2015-16 Improvement Programme</b>					
<b>Project</b>	<b>Cats Area</b>	<b>Budget Required</b>	<b>Budget Available</b>	<b>Funding Required</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Western Wards sports pitch and facilities	Western Wards	£1,000,000	£1,000,000	£0	
Sarisbury Green cricket protection	Western Wards	£30,000	£30,000	£0	
Sarisbury Green pitch upgrade	Western Wards	£26,000	£26,000	£0	
Improvements to Locks Heath Recreation Ground changing rooms.	Titchfield	£30,000	£30,000	£0	
Drainage Improvements for the football pitch at Mill Lane Recreation Ground.	Titchfield	£100,000	£0	£100,000	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>£1,186,000</b>	<b>£1,086,000</b>	<b>£100,000</b>	

<b>2016-17 Improvement Programme</b>					
<b>Project</b>	<b>Cats Area</b>	<b>Budget Required</b>	<b>Budget Available</b>	<b>Funding Required</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Drainage Improvements to enable sports pitch provision at Hook Recreation Ground.	Western Wards	£450,000	£0	£450,000	
Improvements to the changing rooms at Hook Recreation Ground.	Western Wards	£100,000	£0	£100,000	
Provision of floodlit multi use sports area at Park Lane Recreation Ground.	Fareham	£500,000	£0	£500,000	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>£1,050,000</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£1,050,000</b>	

<b>2017-18 Improvement Programme</b>					
<b>Project</b>	<b>Cats Area</b>	<b>Budget Required</b>	<b>Budget Available</b>	<b>Funding Required</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Drainage Improvements at Cams Alders Recreation Ground.	Fareham	£100,000	£0	£100,000	
Drainage Improvements for the sports pitches at Wicor Recreation Ground.	Portchester	£500,000	£0	£500,000	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>£600,000</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£600,000</b>	



<b>2018-19 Improvement Programme</b>					
<b>Project</b>	<b>Cats Area</b>	<b>Budget Required</b>	<b>Budget Available</b>	<b>Funding Required</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Replace technotile surface at Sarisbury Green	Western Wards	£50,000	£0	£50,000	
Cams Alders Recreation Ground Artificial Pitch	Fareham	£500,000	£0	£500,000	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>£550,000</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£550,000</b>	

<b>2019-20 Improvement Programme</b>					
<b>Project</b>	<b>Cats Area</b>	<b>Budget Required</b>	<b>Budget Available</b>	<b>Funding Required</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Drainage Improvements for the sports pitches at Fareham Park Recreation Ground.	Fareham	£500,000	£0	£500,000	
Drainage Improvements for the sports pitches at Stubbington Recreation Ground.	Crofton	£400,000	£0	£400,000	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>£900,000</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£900,000</b>	

<b>2020-21 Improvement Programme</b>					
<b>Project</b>	<b>Cats Area</b>	<b>Budget Required</b>	<b>Budget Available</b>	<b>Funding Required</b>	<b>Comment</b>
New changing rooms / Club House at Cams Alders for Fareham Heathens RFC	Fareham	£500,000	£0	£500,000	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>£500,000</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£500,000</b>	

<b>2021-22 Improvement Programme</b>					
<b>Project</b>	<b>Cats Area</b>	<b>Budget Required</b>	<b>Budget Available</b>	<b>Funding Required</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Provision of floodlit multi use sports area in location to be agreed.	Portchester	£500,000	£0	£500,000	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>£500,000</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£500,000</b>	

<b>2022-23 Improvement Programme</b>					
<b>Project</b>	<b>Cats Area</b>	<b>Budget Required</b>	<b>Budget Available</b>	<b>Funding Required</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Provision of floodlit multi use sports area in Crofton CAT area.	Crofton	£500,000	£0	£500,000	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>£500,000</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£500,000</b>	

<b>2023-24 Improvement Programme</b>					
<b>Project</b>	<b>Cats Area</b>	<b>Budget Required</b>	<b>Budget Available</b>	<b>Funding Required</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Provision of floodlit multi use sports area in location to be agreed.	Titchfield	£500,000	£0	£500,000	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>£500,000</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£500,000</b>	