



Environment & Community Scrutiny Committee 27 June 2027

Decisions

5a Material Recycling Facility (MRF) Contract 2024

Report noted.

5b Redevelopment of Silver Street Public Toilets – Construction

Report noted.

6. SOS Funding Round - Streets & Open Spaces

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor:

- i. Agreed to allocate at least £55,000 of generic informal open spaces S106 funds to supplement the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority's grant for a strategic biodiversity improvement project at Logan's Meadow Local Nature Reserve (East Chesterton ward), subject to business case approval (see section 4 of the Officer's report);
- ii. Agreed to allocate £13,054 of play provision S106 funding for improvements to Lichfield Road play area in Coleridge ward

- (based on £3,987 of generic contributions and £9,067 of specific contributions), subject to local consultation and business case approval (see section 5 of the Officer’s report);
- iii. Agreed to allocate £37,941 of play provision S106 funding for improvements to King George V Recreation Ground in Trumpington ward (based on £21,671 of generic contributions and £16,270 of specific contributions), subject to local consultation and business case approval (see section 5 of the Officer’s report); and
 - iv. Agreed to allocate £69,018 of public realm S106 funds from a development in Harvest Way (Abbey ward) towards public realm improvements in the vicinity of that development, subject to business case approval (see Section 6 of the Officer’s report).

7. 2024/25 S106 Allocations for Community and Sports Facility Improvements - Part 3

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor:

- i. Noted that £73,276 of outdoor sports S106 funds and £28,935 of community facilities S106 funds have been deallocated from projects to which they were previously assigned and are now available for allocating to relevant new projects (see paragraph 3.7 of the Officer’s report); and
- ii. Allocated generic S106 funding from the relevant S106 contribution types, subject to business case approval and community use agreements (as appropriate), to the following project proposals (see Section 4 of the Officer’s report and the Appendix):

	Project proposals	Amount	S106 type
A	Grant to Chesterton Indoor Bowls Club: Indoor sports equipment	£7,000	Indoor Sports

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B	Grant to Cambridge Gymnastics Academy for new gym training equipment	£20,000	Indoor Sports
C	Abbey Leisure Complex: sports changing room upgrades	£20,000	Indoor Sports
D	Grant to Kelsey Kerridge Sports Centre: new gym equipment	£35,000	Indoor Sports
E	Grant to CamSkate for indoor skate equipment at RailPen sites at Newmarket Road Retail Park	£45,000	Indoor Sports
F	Pickleball markings at tennis courts in South, East & West/Central areas	£10,000	Outdoor Sports
G	Nightingale Recreation Ground: upgrade tennis courts	£65,000	Outdoor Sports
H	Nightingale Recreation Ground: playing pitch improvements	£30,000	Outdoor Sports
I	Abbey Astro turf pitch: new benches and team shelters around the new 3G pitch	£20,000	Outdoor Sports
J	Coldham's Common: new Gaelic football posts	£3,000	Outdoor Sports
K	Additional tables and chairs at four Bowls Clubs within Cambridge	£10,000	Outdoor Sports
L	Jesus Green skate park: flood lighting and CCTV coverage	£20,000	Outdoor Sports
M	New community meeting room at Abbey Leisure Complex (related to a joint project funding with NHS England for mental health space)	£50,000	Community Facilities
N	Kings Hedges Learner Pool: light & sound equipment for pool users	£25,000	Swimming Pool

8. Annual Report on the Council's Key Strategic Partnerships (E&C)

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor:

- i. Agreed to work more closely with the Health and Wellbeing Board and Integrated Care Partnership and its sub-system (as detailed in paragraphs 3.42 – 3.46 below) to ensure that the City Council's role in prevention and wellbeing working in partnership with other public agencies can address the health needs and concerns of Cambridge residents.
- ii. Agreed to continue to work with partners within the framework of the Cambridge Community Safety Partnership (as detailed in paragraphs 3.47 – 3.53 below), identifying local priorities and taking action that will make a positive difference to the safety of communities in the city.

9. Community Funding Programme 2025/26

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor:

- i. Approved the introduction of a twice-yearly Small Community Grants scheme replacing the previous Small Community Grants scheme and Area Committee Grants scheme, for applications with a value of £5,000 or less.
- ii. Approved the continuation of the annual Main Community Grants scheme, for applications with a value over £5,000.
- iii. Approved the introduction of multi-year funding agreements for specific provision within the City.

10. The Council's Future Approach to Grant Fund Management

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor:

- i. Agreed to implement a digital grant platform.
- ii. Agreed to delegate responsibility to the Director of Communities to oversee the procurement of a digital grant's platform and a smooth transition to implementation.

11. Single Equality Scheme Annual Report 2023/24

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor:

- i. Noted the progress in actions promoting equality, diversity, and inclusion during 2023/24.
- ii. Approved new actions proposed for delivery during 2024/25.
- iii. Agreed to extend the end date of the existing Single Equality Scheme from March 2024 to March 2025.

12a Appointment of Councillor representatives to the Conservators of the River Cam

Report noted.

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