

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT OF: Director of Environment

TO: West/Central Area Committee 1/11/2012

WARDS: Castle, Market, Newnham

DEVOLVED DECISION-MAKING AND DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS: UPDATE FOLLOWING AREA WORKSHOP

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Council has agreed to devolve to area committees decision-making on how to spend the developer contributions being made available to each area. This report summarises ideas for how the money could be spent in the West/Central Area, following local public consultation in September 2012.
- 1.2 The Area Committee is now invited to prioritise which capital projects for new or improved local facilities to take forward from a list of proposals that would be eligible for developer contributions funding and could be delivered in the short-term (by March 2014). There will be a follow-up report in early 2013 so that the Area Committee can take forward the process of identifying longer-term project priorities.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That Area Committee is asked:

- 2.1 to note the summary of all consultation feedback arising from the West/Central Area workshop and related emails;
- 2.2 to identify which of the proposals that are deliverable in the short-term to prioritise for project appraisal and delivery;
- 2.3 whether it would wish to raise any issues about the possible uses of city-wide developer contributions funding or make comments about any of the strategic proposals emanating from the West/Central Area, which are due to be reported to the Community Services Scrutiny Committee in January 2013.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 **Developer contributions:** Developers are often asked to make financial contributions to the city council to address the impact of their developments on Cambridge. These payments have to be used in line with the national and local planning policy and the purposes and conditions set out in legal (Section 106) agreements.
- 3.2 Since 2007, the city council has spent over £7.5 million of developer contributions to fund off-site projects across the city as a whole. Amongst other projects, this has helped to fund community centres, sports facilities, open spaces, play areas and improvements to the public realm. For more details (and examples of completed projects in the West/Central Area) see our [Developer Contributions](#) web page.
- 3.3 **Devolved decision-making:** The Council has agreed to devolve to area committees decision-making about projects to be funded from the following types of developer contributions: community facilities, informal open space; play provision for children and teenagers; indoor sports facilities; outdoor sports facilities (and the previous 'formal open space' category); public art and public realm. For more details, see the scrutiny committee reports listed in Section 10.
- 3.4 The initial aim is for each area to deliver several projects (perhaps in the region of £150,000 - £200,000 in total) by the end of March 2014. Alongside this, the Council is looking to prioritise and deliver several larger projects that make a difference to the city as a whole: these will be reported to the Community Services Scrutiny Committee and approved by the relevant Executive Councillor.
- 3.5 **Funding for projects in the area:** In broad terms, the funding that area committees can now spend is based on:
- 50% of the developer contributions arising from the major planning applications from the area determined by the city council's Planning Committee (with the other 50% helping to fund strategic projects benefiting more than one area or the city as a whole); and
 - 100% of all other contributions from planning applications from the area (eg, those determined by the Area Committee itself).
- 3.6 Table 1 shows the provisional analysis (from September 2012) of developer contributions available (received but not yet allocated) to the West/Central Area Committee and the overall city-wide fund. The amount will change in due course as contributions (already agreed in Section 106 agreements) are triggered and as funding is allocated to/spent on projects.

Table 1: Provisional analysis of existing/unallocated developer contributions available to West/Central Area & city-wide fund overall

	West/Central	City-wide
Community facilities	£225,000	£300,000
Informal open space	£100,000	£275,000
Formal open space	£50,000	£150,000
Outdoor sports facilities	£10,000	£2,500
Indoor sports facilities	£10,000	£3,000
Provision for children & teenagers	£75,000	£75,000
Public art	£50,000	£75,000
Public realm	£25,000	£100,000

Sums above £25,000 are rounded down to the nearest £25,000

- 3.7 An updated analysis (covering all four Areas) will be reported to the Community Services Scrutiny Committee in January.
- 3.8 **Area workshops:** To help inform the decisions to be made by the area committees, public consultation workshops took place in each of the city's four areas. The West/Central workshop was the first to be held (on the evening of Thursday 13 September at Castle Street Methodist Church Hall). The event was publicised on the council's website, Facebook, Twitter, new releases and by posters displayed at places where community group meet across the West/Central area. Invitations were also sent to local residents' associations and community groups. Over 25 members of the public attended the event, alongside local city and county councillors, and this helped to generate lively discussion and lots of ideas at the workshop.
- 3.8 Workshop participants were given a 2-page briefing paper (see Appendix C) including population forecasts, examples of existing local facilities and on-going local projects funded by developer contributions, as well as the provisional funding analysis. Before the discussion groups, there was a series of short presentations covering how the different types of developer contributions could be used.
- 3.9 The purpose of the event was to invite local views on current gaps in the provision of community centres, sports facilities, open spaces and play areas, and public realm in the area as well as ideas for new or improved facilities that could help to meet those needs. Whilst council officers were on hand to provide background advice, when requested, the focus of the workshops was community-led.

4. CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

- 4.1 The West/Central consultation generated over 80 ideas for projects to help meet unmet needs. Recurring themes included needs for:
- a. play areas and informal sport provision (eg, basketball hoops), particularly for older children and teenagers;
 - b. more benches in parks and on streets, not least for older people.
 - c. sports facilities (eg, tennis courts) and new trim trails;
 - d. community facilities (including upgrades to existing church halls);
- 4.2 Another recurring query in the workshop feedback was about what provision for children and teenagers would be made as part of Cambridge University's North West Cambridge development. Appendix B provides an extract from the Joint Development Control Committee report in August 2012, which addresses this issue. Further sources of information about this and other major developments on the Cambridge fringes are highlighted in Section 10.
- 4.3 Appendix A summarises the ideas suggested at the workshop or by email. These are presented by the ward from which they came or to which they relate. Officers have assessed these projects in terms of:
- a. eligibility for developer contributions funding - focussing on capital projects (not maintenance or running costs) for new or improved facilities (not just replacements) that would be open for community use and would appear to meet the criteria for the city council's developer contribution types (which do not include transport); and
 - b. whether they could be delivered in the short-term (ie, by the end of March 2014) or would take longer. Broadly speaking, projects are likely to take longer the more preliminary steps need to be taken, particularly where facilities/land are not in the city council's ownership. These steps can include drawing up plans, consulting on concepts/principles; obtaining planning permission, securing community grants and other funding (not least for running costs and maintenance), signing up to community use agreements and/or undertaking fresh commissioning/procurement exercises.
- 4.4 Section 5 focuses on those proposals that have been identified as both eligible for developer contributions funding and deliverable in the short-term. In view of the large number of ideas generated through the public consultation, it is necessary to 'get the ball rolling' on initial priorities before coming back to consider other/longer-term priorities at the West/Central Area Committee at the end of February 2013.

5. OPTIONS

- 5.1 The Area Committee is asked to identify which of these proposals it would wish to prioritise for project appraisal and delivery. Please refer to Table 1 for the provisional analysis of current available funding.

A01 Seats and benches in parks (Area wide)

One way forward for this project would be to make available, £30,000, say, of informal open space contributions to provide benches and seats across the area (unit costs are around £1,000 per bench). There could then be local consultation as to the location of the benches. The locations suggested so far are: Nineteen Acre Field [including barbecue units], Cutter Ferry bridge, Midsummer Common orchard and Queen's Green.

C02 New noticeboards around Windsor Road, Richmond Road and Oxford Roads (Castle)

Officers advise that the Environmental Improvement Programme may be a more appropriate source of funding for this project but, even so, it is understood that it could be funded from developer contributions. Seven specific sites for noticeboards have been suggested so far. This could cost in the region of £20,000. Bear in mind that the provisional analysis identified that West Central currently has around £25,000 for public realm overall.

C04 Improved entrances to Histon Road Rec. Ground (Castle)

It is recognised that the three entrances to the Recreation Ground need to be refreshed. This work could be carried out using mainly repairs and renewals funds, but perhaps using developer contributions for measures to improve access. There could be further discussion about opportunities to engage the three local schools in the design of the three entrances, although incorporation of public art might make this a longer-term project.

C05 Outdoor table tennis tables at Histon Road Recreation Ground (Castle)

It is understood that this could cost in the region of £6,000 from outdoor sports facilities and/or formal open space contributions. The Area Committee may wish to consider whether to go ahead with this project prior to a possible, longer-term whole-park improvement, which might require the relocation of the outdoor table tennis table.

C07 Finger posts for Ascension churchyard (Castle)

This could be a relatively low-cost project from public realm funding, but bear in mind that the West/Central area currently has around £25,000 for public realm overall.

M01 Community meeting room at Centre 33 (Market)

Centre 33 on Clarendon Street provides young people with easy access to a confidential, safe place where they can get the support they need to fulfil their potential. It works alongside young people to overcome the effects of poor health, isolation, disadvantage and inequality. Centre 33 is currently undertaking a major refurbishment of its building and only has £12,000 left to raise. This could be met from community facilities contributions and would cover an extension to their open meetings and drop-in facility.

M03 Improved access to Midsummer Common orchard (Market)

The costs of this access improvement have been estimated at around £25,000 from informal open space contributions.

M06 Drainage of Jesus Green to maximise usable space (Market)

This project, estimated at £120,000, could help to address problems of water-logged green space and enable Jesus Green to be used for sports pitches. This funding would be drawn from a combination of outdoor sports/formal open space and informal open space contributions. Given that this could take up the lion's share of the Area's available funds for those contributions types, and that Jesus Green is a destination park benefiting the whole city, there is a strong case for seeking full or part funding from the strategic/city-wide funds.

N14 Outdoor table tennis tables at Lammas Land (Newnham)

Same comments as C05 above.

N18 Improve Penarth Place play area with wooden equipment (Newnham)

Gough Way Residents' Association has developed ideas for this play area improvement, involving its own consultation with almost 20 local families, and has shown great enthusiasm for the project. It is estimated that this scheme could cost in the region of £75,000, which is the same amount that the West/Central Area currently has available for provision for children and teenagers.

N19 Improve Cockcroft Place play area (Newnham)

Concerns have been raised in North Newnham of a lack of local play provision for young families, and that Lammas Land is the nearest suitable play area. In response, officers have suggested this improvement to Cockcroft Place play area as a way forward. Further discussions would be needed to provide a cost estimate, but it already seems that there would not be sufficient funding at present to undertake both N18 and N19 at present.

N20 Trim Trail around Cambridge Rugby club perimeter (Newnham)

The costs of the trim trail have been estimated as in the region of £30,000 from informal open space money.

5.2 In addition to these projects, the Committee may wish to consider:

C03 Noticeboards, seating and nesting boxes at Histon Road Recreation Ground (Castle).

Please be aware, however, of officer advice in Appendix A, that similar projects have already been implemented at Histon Road Recreation Ground within the last three or four years using Area Committee funding.

N06 Improve footpaths at Paradise Nature Reserve (Newnham)

Plans to improve the footpaths at the Nature Reserve are currently on-hold because they currently form part of the wider Upper River Cam Biodiversity Project (with an estimated cost of £118,000), for which suitable funding has not yet been identified. The Community Services Scrutiny Committee will be considering the way forward for such 'on hold' projects at its meeting in January 2013. The Area Committee may, however, wish to consider a fall-back position for getting the footpath problem resolved, either now or at the Area Committee's meeting in February 2013.

5.3 In identifying short-term priorities, the Area Committee may also want to consider the levels of funding to keep available for any longer-term projects it may wish to take forward in due course.

6. NEXT STEPS

- 6.1 The implementation arrangements for devolved decision-making for developer contributions, reported to the Community Services Scrutiny Committee last June, identified two processes working in parallel:
- a. priority projects for particular area of the city to be decided by the area committee;
 - b. strategic projects to be reported to the Community Services Scrutiny Committee and decided by the Executive Councillor.
- 6.2 **Arrangements for West/Central Area-specific projects:** Project appraisals for short-term priorities will be developed from January 2013 onwards. There will be local consultation (including ward councillors) on the details of particular schemes and checks to ensure appropriate use of specific developer contributions. Those appraisals for projects above threshold levels (being updated to reflect the new context of devolved decision-making) will be reported to the Area Committee.
- 6.3 As already mentioned, there will be a further report to the West/Central Area Committee on 28 February 2013 to consider longer-term proposals identified in Appendix A (as well as any short-term proposals not selected in the found round of prioritisation). Some of these may, by then, be ready for early prioritisation, while others may require some further investigation and need to wait until a subsequent prioritisation round.
- 6.4 There will then be updates to the Area Committee, probably on a six-monthly basis, to provide an update of both the devolved developer contributions available to spend in the West/Central Area and the progress being made on delivering on-going/priority projects. This will present further opportunities for the Area Committee to identify new priority projects.
- 6.5 **Arrangements for city-wide/strategic projects:** A report to next January's Community Services Scrutiny Committee will bring together the city-wide/strategic project ideas suggested from all four Area consultations, as well as projects currently on the 'on hold' list of the city council's Capital Plan (eg, the Upper River Cam Biodiversity Project at Paradise Nature Reserve). This will enable the relevant Executive Councillors to identify any initial strategic priorities to be taken forward within the city-wide funding available.

- 6.6 Suggestions for city-wide/strategic project ideas, generated by the West/Central Area, are set out in Table 2.

Table 2: City-wide project ideas from West/Central

No.	Project idea
A11	Cambridge Open Air Theatre
A16	Ice rink
M06	Drainage of Jesus Green
M07	Initiatives to extend season at Jesus Green pool
M08	Jesus Green (Rouse Ball) Pavilion
N20	3G pitch at Cambridge Rugby Club
N21	Upgrade changing facilities at Cambridge Rugby Club

- 6.7 The Area Committee is asked whether it would wish to raise any issues about the possible uses of city-wide developer contributions funding or make comments about any of these strategic proposals. These comments would then be passed on to the Community Services Scrutiny Committee.

7. CONCLUSIONS

- 7.1 The West/Central Area workshop, along with suggestions sent in by email both before and after the event, has produced a wealth of local ideas about how developer contributions funding could help to address unmet needs and provide new or improved local facilities.
- 7.2 It is worth repeating the closing comments from the Area workshop:
- a. Thanks to all those who have taken the time to put forward ideas. Unfortunately, it will not be possible to fund all the suggestions from the developer contributions funding available to the Area – the Area Committee will have to make some tough choices.
 - b. Although significant steps are being made to deliver the next set of developer contribution-funded projects in the Area, change won't happen overnight. Further work and local consultation will be needed to develop the details of priority projects.
 - c. This is an on-going process and the Area Committee will be able to update and add to its list of priority projects on a regular basis. There will also be a continuing dialogue with the local community, not least to engage with young people and others who did not have their say as part of the Area workshop.

8. IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 **Financial Implications:** Arrangements are being made to:
- a. identify within the 2013/14 Capital Plan developer contributions funds for each Area for devolved decision-making (as well as a city-wide/strategic developer contributions fund). The use of this funding will need to be in line with the amounts assigned in Section 106 agreements for specific contribution types.
 - b. seek a provisional sum for the likely overall maintenance and repairs and renewals costs that may arise from developer contribution-funded projects relating to council facilities. Where the city council provides grants (from developer contribution funds) to community groups for the provision of local projects, the general assumption is that those other organisations will meet the running costs and maintenance costs of the new/improved facilities.
- 8.2 **Staffing Implications:** Steps have been taken to both make the implementation of devolved decision-making as simple as possible, and to strengthen the capacity for project delivery.
- 8.3 **Equal Opportunities Implications:** This issue was addressed in the report to the Community Services Scrutiny Committee in January 2012. The implications of specific priority projects will be reviewed as part of the project appraisals.
- 8.4 **Environmental Implications:** The 'very low or nil impact' of devolved decision-making was identified in the report to the Community Services Scrutiny Committee in January 2012.
- 8.5 **Procurement:** These issues will be covered in project appraisals for specific priority projects.
- 8.6 **Consultation and communication:** Following on from the approach taken so far, officers will continue to make workshop participants aware of how the project ideas from the workshops are being followed up. Arrangements for further local consultation on the details of priority projects and reaching out to hard-to-reach groups have already been mentioned in Sections 6 and 7.
- 8.7 **Community Safety:** Community safety considerations will be factored into the design of the new/improved facilities to be funded by developer contributions.

9. APPENDICES

- A. Summary of all project ideas (by ward) raised at the West Central Area workshop in September 2012 and/or by email
- B. Extract from report to the Joint Development Control Committee on 8 August 2012 relating to provision for children and teenagers on the Cambridge University site in North West Cambridge
- C. West/Central Area 2-page briefing paper distributed to workshop participants on 13 September 2012

10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

The following are the background papers that were used in the preparation of this report.

- West/Central Area workshop presentation slides: 13/9/2012.
- Responses to the West/Central Area workshop and consultation in September 2012.

See the [Committee meetings minutes & agendas](#) web page for:

- Reports on devolved decision-making to area committees to the Community Services Scrutiny Committee on 28 June (12/54/CS) and 12 January 2012 (12/13/CS) and the Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 10 October 2011 about the interim review of area working (11/68/SR);
- Joint Development Control Committee report (12/40/JDCC) on 8/9/2012 on land between Madingley Road and Huntingdon Road.
- Further background information about the council's approach to developer contributions (eg, the Planning Obligations Strategy Supplementary Planning Document) and devolved decision-making can be found on our [Developer Contributions](#) web page.
- See also our [Major development schemes](#) web page for details of the NIAB & Cambridge University sites in North West Cambridge.

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Project ideas from West/Central Area with assessment of eligibility for city council developer contributions

- The Area Committee is unlikely to be able to fund all eligible project ideas from the contributions available and will need to prioritise.
- This assessment of eligibility for developer contributions is provisional and further discussion will be needed with relevant organisations.
- This is a summary and, as such, it cannot reflect all the details and nuances from the workshop discussions and/or emails. Some project ideas shown here bring together a number of related suggestions.
- For an explanation of why some ideas have been assessed as longer-term projects, please see paragraph 4.3b in the main report.

No.	Summary of project idea	Eligible?	Comments
AREA-WIDE			
A01	Benches, bins and barbecues in parks	Yes plus alternative funding	Could be delivered in the short-term. Benches & barbecues are eligible as long as this is extra provision. Funding for bins already in place. See specific suggested locations under C09, M02c, M03b, N24.
A02	Benches on streets and by bus stops	Possible. Alternative funding exists	See N25. Takes longer as more consultation needed. Environmental Improvement Programme (EIP) may be more appropriate.
A03	More signs painted on footpaths to show dual use for pedestrians & cyclists	No	Transport-related. Will pass suggestion to the county council.
A04	Tree planting in parks	Alternative funding	Already have a four-year tree-planting programme.
A05	Tree planting on streets	Yes	Longer-term project.
A06	Wildflowers on roundabouts	No	This is a maintenance issue.

No.	Summary of project idea	Eligible?	Comments
A07	More allotments	No	Allotments contributions category only applies to city fringes growth sites.
A08	Reduce street clutter and signage	Not clear	Could incorporate into specific public realm improvements
A09	Restore or replace heritage street signs	No	Maintenance issue. Have passed suggestion to relevant manager.
A10	Support open space project at Coton, South Cambridgeshire	No	Contributions must be used within city. Passed to relevant manager to consider other options.
A11	Cambridge Open Air Theatre: (eg, for theatre, music, dance, puppetry)	Possible	Not enough information. Would be a city-wide proposal.
A12	Utilise space in parks for older children & teenagers (eg, Histon Road Rec. and Lammas Land).	Yes	See C05, C06, N14, N15 and N20.
A13	Sport facilities needed, especially for teenagers. Post-Olympic provision. Have a new multi-use games area somewhere and exercise facilities	Yes	
A14	Make tennis courts available to young people under instruction (at least in summer)	No	Not a capital project. The council already runs Street Games (informal sports activities for young people, with qualified sports coaches)
A15	Pavilions for changing (eg, Hobbs, Rouse Ball)	Yes	Refurbishment of Hobbs Pavilion is already under way. See M08.
A16	Ice rink needed. Would help older teens.	Yes	Longer-term, city-wide project. On-going search for a suitable site.

No.	Summary of project idea	Eligible?	Comments
CASTLE WARD			
C01	Upgrade kitchens/storage, at St Augustine's Church Hall so centre can serve community groups better.	Yes	Longer-term project
C02	New noticeboards by public footpaths around Windsor/Richmond/Oxford Roads	Possible. Alternative funding exists	Could be delivered in the short-term. EIP funding may be more appropriate.
C03a	Histon Road Rec. Ground: Better public noticeboards	Yes, but	Similar schemes were introduced 3-4 years ago, with funding from the Area Committee.
C03b	Covered seating.		
C03c	Nesting boxes		
C04	Improve entrances to Histon Road Rec, (perhaps get primary schools involved in design)	Possible	Could be delivered in short-term, partly via developer contributions, partly as maintenance.
C05	Outdoor table tennis tables on Histon Road Recreation Ground	Yes	Could be delivered in the short-term as long as it could be installed prior to any whole park scheme and relocated, if needed.
C06a	Trim trails at Histon Road Recreation Ground	Yes	Could form part of a longer-term, whole park improvement project.
C06b	Basketball hoop for Histon Road Recreation Ground	Yes	
C06c	Tennis court at Histon Road Recreation Ground	Yes	
C07a	Ascension Churchyard: Discreet signage needed	Yes	Finger-posts could be delivered in short-term.
C07b	Ascension Churchyard: public art based on a project by Chesterton Community College	Yes	Longer-term delivery.
C07c	Ascension Burial Ground: help with upkeep.	No	Not eligible as this is a maintenance issue.

No.	Summary of project idea	Eligible?	Comments
C08	Work on wall of All Souls Church	No	Developer contributions can only be used for closed churches.
C09	Barbecue units at Nineteen Acre Field.	Yes	To be considered as part of A01.
C10	Living willow sculptures at Nineteen Acre Field.	Yes	Longer-term delivery.
C11	Oxford Road public realm: plant trees; widen pathways; narrower roads; remodelling parking spaces.	Yes	County Council is due to receive £150k transport contributions from North West Cambridge development for traffic calming & streetscape improvements for Oxford Road & Windsor Road. The Area Committee could add more funding to enhance these works. Longer-term project
MARKET WARD			
M01	Meeting room / drop-in facility at Centre 33, Clarendon Street as part of wider refurbishment	Yes	Could be delivered in the short-term.
M02a	Repossess Council-owned Ferry House for communal use (eg, environmental centre, mother & toddler group, holiday clubs, school projects, talks about wildlife, small café).	Possible	Longer-term project
M02b	Improve area around Cutter Ferry bridge: restricting cows and plant wildflowers/hedges.	No	Wildflower planting does not mitigate against a development. Grazing rights exist.
M02c	Benches and picnic tables around Cutter Ferry bridge	No	To be considered as part of A01.

No.	Summary of project idea	Eligible?	Comments
M02d	Improve pedestrian/cyclist access to Cutter Ferry bridge	Alternative funding exists	EIP funding would be more appropriate
M03a	Midsummer Common orchard: improve access	Yes	Could also be delivered in the short-term.
M03b	Midsummer Common orchard: picnic benches and seats	Yes	Picnic area & seats to be addressed under A01.
M03c	Midsummer Common: public art in new orchard, possibly statue of a cow	Possible	Longer-term project
M04	Car speed reduction measures (eg, red roads, gates) next to parks (eg, Midsummer Common)	No	Transport-related. Will pass suggestion to Cambridgeshire County Council.
M05	Improve pathways on Jesus Green and Midsummer Common: remove camber, widen paths, treatment on path edges. Huge benefit for cycle and pedestrians	Partly	Some aspects (eg, path widening) are eligible, but needs to be considered alongside EIP funding and the city/county council's joint Cycleways Programme. Longer-term project.
M06	Drain Jesus Green to maximise usable space (eg, sports pitches) throughout the year.	Yes	Could be delivered in the short-term.
M07a	Extend season at Jesus Green pool by adding pool cover.	Possible	Contract tendering exercise is seeking ideas for extending the season. Longer-term, city-wide.
M07b	Jesus Green pool solar heating.	Possible	See M07a. Eligible if provides hot water in showers/hand basins.
M07c	Extend season at Jesus Green pool by installing heating or adding pool cover.	Yes, but	See M07a. Costs could be prohibitive. Could run counter to the council's commitment to reducing carbon emissions.

No.	Summary of project idea	Eligible?	Comments
M08a	Jesus Green (Rouse Ball) Pavilion – new build. Contribution needed towards costs.	Yes	Longer-term, strategic project. Could link into initiatives for Jesus Green swimming pool and football pitches.
M08b	Bandstand or performance area on Jesus Green. Links to Pavilion proposal	Possible	Longer-term, strategic project
M09	Market Square is needs ‘TLC’. Management plan needed. Could stalls be taken down in the evening and put up in the morning?	No	Management plan and operational issues not eligible for funding. Suggestion passed to relevant manager.
M10	Cycle parking on Regent Terrace.	No	Transport-related. Being addressed via city centre cycle parking project.
M11	Fisher Square / Passage	Not clear	Need clarification on what is being proposed. M12 to be reported to North Area Committee.
M12	St Giles Market – similar to All Saints’ Passage	Not clear	
NEWNHAM WARD			
N01	Kitchen and storage upgrade at St Mark’s Church Hall.	Yes	Longer-term project.
N02	Newnham Croft scout hut: demolish/rebuild. Well used but in poor condition.	Yes	Longer-term project.
N03	Develop a tea-room / “Memory Café” (local archive project including audio, film etc) at Newnham Social Club	Possible	Longer-term project
N04	Cattle grid on Snob’s Stream (Fen Causeway) needs maintenance work.	No	Maintenance issues. Suggestions passed on to relevant manager.
N05	New gate for Cobbett Corner	No	

No.	Summary of project idea	Eligible?	Comments
N06	Improve the footpaths in Paradise Nature Reserve to make them accessible in winter, not least for older people.	Yes	Footpath improvements are already planned as part of the Upper River Cam Biodiversity Project (see paragraph 6.7), but the path improvements could be taken forward on shorter timescales.
N07	Better signposting of footpath to Grantchester, starting in the Lammas Land car park	Possible. Alternative funding may exist	This will be discussed with the county council.
N08	Round LED lights needed on cycle path from Barton Road to Newnham Croft/Sheeps Green	Possible	Longer-term project
N09	Install lighting on cycle path crossing Lammas Land between Newnham Croft and Fen Causeway.	Possible	Longer-term project
N10	Light needed in the middle of Lammas Land.	Possible	Longer-term project
N11a	Improve small tea room on Lammas Land pool.	No	Unlikely to provide new functions that don't already exist.
N11b	Ask the Lammas Land café to provide real fruit juice and invest in a coffee machine.	No	Not a capital project, but have passed the suggestion to the relevant manager.
N12	Lammas Land: enhance area near car park entrance	Yes	Longer-term project (landscaping and resurfacing)
N13a	Lammas Land: would like drinking water tap near the paddling pool again.	Alternative funding exists	Have passed suggestion on to relevant manager.
N13b	Put water in the paddling pool if there is going to be freezing weather so that we have a natural ice rink.	No	Not a capital project. Have passed suggestion on to relevant manager.

No.	Summary of project idea	Eligible?	Comments
N14	Outdoor table tennis tables on Lammas Land.	Yes	Could be delivered in the short-term as long as it could be installed prior to any whole park scheme and relocated, if needed.
N15a	Trim trail at Lammas Land	Yes	N14a-c could form part of a longer-term, whole park improvement.
N15b	Resurface Lammas Land tennis court	Yes	Underlying issues of proximity to trees need to be addressed.
N15c	Add basketball hoops to Lammas Land tennis court	Yes	Resurfacing of tennis court needs to be addressed first.
N15d	Introduce booking facility for tennis at Lammas Land	No	All city council courts are free of charge and user-regulated.
N16	Learner pool at Sheeps Green	Not clear	Need clarification about what is being proposed.
N17	Low-level lights along footpath from bridge over Bin Brook to Gough Way.	Possible	Longer-term project. Footpath owned by the county council.
N18	Improve Penarth Place play area, with wooden play equipment	Yes	Could be delivered in the short-term.
N19a	New play area for North Newnham (on Wilberforce Road / Adams Road).	No/Yes	No land available for a new one but could improve Cockcroft Place play area in short-term.
N19b	Recreation area for the younger generation near Clerk Maxwell Road		
N20	Trim trail around Cambridge Rugby Club perimeter (1000 metre) for both club and public	Yes	Could be delivered in the short-term.
N21	Install 3G pitch at Cambridge Rugby Club (would be used by other local clubs too)	Yes	Longer-term. City-wide project.

No.	Summary of project idea	Eligible?	Comments
N22	Upgrade Cambridge Rugby Club changing facilities for girls and boys	Yes	Longer-term. City-wide project
N23	Floodlights for existing multi-use games area at Newnham Croft School	Possible	Longer-term project.
N25	Better benches and bins at Queen's Green.	Possible	Can be addressed under A01. Benches are eligible for developer contributions where this is extra provision.
N24	More benches in Newnham: 7 sites suggested on various roads in Newnham	Yes	Longer-term project. See A02.
N26	Management plan for Queen's Green	No, but alternative exists	Covered by existing masterplan for The Backs. A management plan for Queen's Green will be drafted.
N27	Cycle parking near Newnham Croft shops	No. Alternative funding exists	Transport-related. Alongside EIP, will be considered for funding from the joint Cycleways Programme.
N28	Grantchester Meadows car park	Not clear	Need clarification on what is being proposed
N29	Double yellow line on Wordsworth Grove instead of 2 car parking spaces	No	Transport-related. Will pass suggestion to the county council.
N30	Improve traffic light sensor (to detect cyclists) at Grantchester Street/ Newnham Road junction	No	Transport-related. Will pass suggestion to the county council.

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- 8.255 Provision of 1.95ha of children's play space will be provided in accordance with the NWCAAP standards. There will be a range and mix of play areas distributed evenly across the entire site situated both within the built area, along green fingers and within pocket parks, and within the Green Belt where appropriate, close to the development edge.
- 8.256 The applicants are looking to move away from the more traditional approach of Local Areas of Play (LAPs), Local Equipped Areas of Play and Neighbourhood Equipped Areas of Play (LEAPs and NEAPs). It is proposed that the spaces take a more flexible approach designed to complement the site and the conditions in the locality to provide more natural play.
- 8.257 The spaces proposed are to be a mix of 'doorstep' play for 0-5 year olds, local playable space for 0-11 year olds, neighbourhood playable space for all ages and youth space for 12 year olds plus. These spaces will provide adequately for a range of children without strict reliance on the standard fixed play equipment- something that is supported by officers. In order to ensure that the provision is looked at comprehensively a site wide strategy for a Youth and Play Strategy condition is suggested (condition 9). The detailed treatment of individual areas would then be approved through reserved matters applications (Condition 10). A phased build out of the Children's Play Areas are secured through the S106 agreement providing a total of 0.26ha every 400 units and will need to be highlighted on the detailed phasing plan to ensure they complement the wider build out of the site.