

DECISION ITEM



REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	22 FEBRUARY 2016	5

CAPITAL BID – BRYNING WITH WARTON PARISH COUNCIL

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY

The Council has a duty to manage its assets and capital resources in order to best deliver its objectives as set out in the Corporate Plan.

The consideration of capital bids for inclusion or otherwise within the Council's approved Capital Programme is a key component of the budget-setting process and contributes to the longer-term management of the Council's resources in an efficient and effective manner. This report presents for reconsideration a capital bid from Bryning with Warton Parish Council following the resolution of this committee at the last meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is requested :

1. To recommend to Council the inclusion or non-inclusion of this capital bid in the 2016/17 capital programme, and identify the source of funding if the recommendation is to include the bid in the programme.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

To Promote the Enhancement of The Natural & Built Environment (Place)	√	To Encourage Cohesive Communities (People)	√
To Promote a Thriving Economy (Prosperity)		To Meet Expectations of our Customers (Performance)	√

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

The Finance and Democracy Committee at its meeting on 25th January 2016 considered a report on the capital bids that had been before each of the programme committees and to recommend which capital bids go forward to Council for consideration in March 2016. Committee resolved:

2. That the capital bid from ¹Warton with Westby Parish Council be re-considered at the next meeting of the Finance and Democracy meeting, with full presentation.

REPORT

1. The committee at its last meeting received a report detailing the capital bids that had been considered and recommended by the programme committees. Members noted that the capital bid from Bryning with Warton Parish Council (incorrectly referred to in the report and minutes as Warton with Westby Parish Council) for a play area, had been rejected by the Tourism and Leisure committee in November 2015.
2. After a full discussion, the committee resolved that this capital bid be re-considered at the next meeting of the Finance and Democracy committee, with a full presentation.
3. Attached is the full request as considered by the Tourism and Leisure committee at its meeting on 12th November 2015 (marked as appendix 3). It contains an overview of the request from Bryning with Warton Parish Council, scheme details and costings, the specific funding requested from Fylde Borough Council, and details of the Parks Development process. Officers will be in attendance at the meeting to answer any technical/operational questions. The clerk to the Parish Council has been invited to also attend if it will assist members in their consideration of the request.
4. The Council has a duty to manage its assets and capital resources in order to best deliver its objectives as set out in the Corporate Plan.
5. The prioritisation of capital investment according to a well-defined and rational approach is especially important in helping to prioritise resources when the demand for such resources exceeds the total of the resources available. This process is defined within the Council's Capital Strategy, the latest revision of which was approved by Council on 12th October 2015.
6. If members decide to recommend this request for a grant to Council, it is recommended that this be made conditional upon the parish council working with the Parks Development team to follow the 10 stage process for the parks improvement programme and phase any payments appropriately.

¹ Reference to Warton with Westby Parish Council is an error and should refer to Bryning with Warton Parish Council

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	<p>The request for assistance from the borough council has two elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A capital grant of £50,000 from the borough council towards phase 1; and • Advance payment of £50,000 from the receipt of a s.106 payment due to be made by the developer of Riversleigh Farm towards the improvement of Bridges Playing Field. Appendix 3 of this report sets out the issues for consideration in looking at this bid for funding. The MTFS Report elsewhere on this agenda recommends the transfer of £32k into the Capital Investment Reserve which would leave sufficient unallocated funding in that reserve to meet the cost of £50k for this bid should Members be minded to recommend to Council inclusion of the scheme in the 2016/17 capital programme.
Legal	None arising directly from this report
Community Safety	None arising directly from this report
Human Rights and Equalities	None arising directly from this report
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	None arising directly from this report
Health & Safety and Risk Management	None arising directly from this report

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Council Report - Approved Capital Strategy	12 th October 2015	CMIS > Meetings Calendar
Finance and Democracy Committee - Timetable for Developing Budget Proposals 2016/17	28 th September 2015	CMIS > Meetings Calendar

Attached documents

The original capital bid for funding from Bryning with Warton Parish Council in relation to Warton Recreation Area (Bridges Playing Field) as considered by the Tourism and Leisure Committee (marked as appendix 3)