

SIB/SIP funding applications

Application No.1 - SIB

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| Name of Project | Coalfield in Bloom | |
| Total cost of Project | Total Match Funding | Total SIB requested |
| £58,000 (to be confirmed once in-kind contribution has been calculated) | £4,500 plus staff time and other resources in kind (Gentoo) | £50,000 |
| Project Duration | Start Date | End Date |
| 4 Months | September 2010 | December 2011 |

The Project

The project will consist of two elements

a) A large scale machine planting of bulbs across around 30 locations in the area. The bulbs are of two varieties and as one die off the other will come into flower, usually during March and April, however this could vary as a consequence of the prevailing weather conditions. The bulbs are left in place and cut down as part of the usual maintenance programme. Therefore the bulbs will flower each year without the need for re-planting. Gentoo will be working in partnership with the Lead Agent to ensure a joined up approach to the maintenance programme. The final list of locations is to be agreed by Area Committee before the planting commences.

b) A community planting scheme for areas which are not suitable to be machine planted. The locations selected will be dependent on consultation and input from the VCS network and local community and voluntary sector organisations including schools. Gentoo and the VCS Network, via the Community Co-ordinator, will lead on this element of the project.

Need for Project

The project has been developed by Area Committee in line with the Local Area Plan and the refreshing of priorities for 2010/11. Bulb planting and landscaping was selected by elected members as one of the 6 priorities for this year and the need to engage the community was considered as part of a workshop held in June 2010. The Committee members developed the project as a result of community consultation and the need to make the area more attractive.

Outputs of the Project

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| Output Code | Target 2010/11 |
| A1 – New or improved community facilities | 30 |
| A6 – Community or educational events held | 6 |

£50,000 SIB funding was approved in July 2010

Application No.2 - SIP

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| Name of Project | Bird Terrace Environmental Scheme – Shiney Row | |
| Total cost of Project | Total Match Funding | Total SIP requested |
| £3,262 | Nil | £3,262 |
| Project Duration | Start Date | End Date |
| 3 months | September 2010 | November 2010 |

The Project

The project will deliver a small area of landscaping at Bird Terrace, Penshaw next to Penshaw Tandoori. The purpose of the project is to develop an area of land that is currently not being

maintained. There will be both hard and soft landscaping within the project to remove a concrete base, extend and develop an existing footpath and then landscape the area to an amenity area. The LAP theme and priority will be addressed by these improvements turning an eyesore into an attractive area.

Need for Project

Councillor concerns and resident feedback

Outputs for Projects

| Output Code | Target 2010/11 |
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| A1 – New or improved community facilities | 1 |
| A4 – Works to improve appearance of streets | 1 |

Recommendation

Approve, subject to future maintenance being part of City Services mainstream programme

Application No.3 - SIP

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| Name of Project | Hetton Lyons Country Park Car Park |
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| Total cost of Project | Total Match Funding | Total SIP requested |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| £11,864 | Nil | £11,864 |
| Project Duration | Start Date | End Date |
| 3 months | October 2010 | December 2010 |

The Project

The Project will provide installation of tarmac road including disabled parking bays, speed humps and warning signs which will provide a better entrance and access to Hetton Lyons Country Park for park visitors. Hetton Lyons is also very popular for cycling events on weekends which attracts visitors from all over the country and the improved car parking will be welcomed by park users.

The proposed works will also provide a safer car parking facility with the introduction of road humps as there is currently a problem with some drivers speeding in the park.

Need for Project

The condition of the existing car park has been discussed by the Friends of Hetton Lyons Country Park due to damage caused by joyriders and the current poor quality surface. Also local Ward Members have expressed a concern about the poor condition of the car parking facilities. Springboard Adventure deliver Environmental Land Based Studies Diploma courses from the park building and the improved car park facilities will be appreciated by the students.

Outputs for Projects

| Output Code | Target 2010/11 |
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| A1 – New or improved community facilities | 1 |

Recommendation

Approve

Application No.4 -SIP

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| Name of Project | Traffic Calming – Robin Lane/Hazard Lane, Hetton |
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| Total cost of Project | Total Match Funding | Total SIP requested |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| £20,000 | £10,000 | £10,000 |
| Project Duration | Start Date | End Date |
| 6 Months | October 2010 | April 2011 |

The Project

The project comprises the reduction of the speed limit on Robin Lane and Hazard Lane from 60mph to 40mph in the vicinity of East Rainton, and from 60mph to 30mph on the section of Hazard Lane adjacent to Hetton School. In addition, road markings and traffic signs will be used to create 'Gateway' features to emphasise the reductions in the speed limit. The project is intended to reduce the frequency and severity of traffic accidents on Robin Lane and Hazard Lane.

A Traffic Regulation Order will be applied for on commencement of the project (October 2010). The order will be finalised within 3-6 months and the road markings and traffic signs will then be installed

Need for Project

The need has been identified by local ward councillors as a result of resident requests and ward surgeries. The accident records for Robin Lane and Hazard Lane indicate that the frequency of traffic accidents is above the normal level for rural roads of this nature.

Outputs for Projects

| Output Code | Target 2010/11 |
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| A4 – Works to improve streets | 1 |

Recommendation

Approve

Application No.5 - SIP

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| Name of Project | Dropped kerbs - Houghton |
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| Total cost of Project | Total Match Funding | Total SIP requested |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| £8,000 | Nil | £8,000 |
| Project Duration | Start Date | End Date |
| 3 months | September 2010 | November 2010 |

The Project

The SIP will pay for the provision of dropped kerbs in three locations across the Houghton ward:
Four pairs in Station Avenue North/South
Three pairs in Brinkburn Cres/Leyburn Grove
Two pairs in Britannia Terrace/Front Street

The purpose is to improve access for those with mobility problems and pushchair and wheelchair users. This will contribute to the outcomes set out in the Local Area Plan by improving footpaths on residential and retail streets and supporting safer mobility for local people who may previously have had difficulty accessing services.

Need for Project

The need has been identified by local ward councillors as a result of resident requests and ward surgeries.

Outputs for Projects

| Output Code | Target 2010/11 |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| A1 – improved community facilities | 3 |

Recommendation

Approve, subject to consultation with residents