

**Report to West Place Board
12th December 2013**

SIP Capital Improvement Proposals

1. Background

- 1.1 Area Committee have SIP remaining of £54,400 which is in place to support capital improvements in the area.
- 1.2 At the Place Board in September members discussed and agreed that proposals for capital improvements would be developed and presented to the board for consideration.

2. Proposals

2.1 Bishopwearmouth Cemetery Baby Cemetery – Environment

- 2.1.1 The proposal is to improve the visual aspect of the site and make it more easily maintainable.
- 2.1.2 The outer timber edging will be removed and replaced by a pin kerb around the boundary. Existing bark chippings will be removed and replaced with a fabric membrane to minimise weed growth. The site will be covered with pea gravel and each corner provided with sustainable planting.
- 2.1.3 Bereavement Services have consulted with the Baby Grave section group and they were supportive of this proposal.
- 2.1.4 The estimated cost of the proposal is £7,500.

2.2 Bishopwearmouth Cemetery Baby Cemetery – Access

- 2.2.1 The proposal is to improve access to the site. The costs are based upon the environmental improvements as at 2.1 being complete before access works are undertaken.
- 2.2.2 Provide a block paved pathway to the northern and eastern edge of the site at a cost of £10,165.76

2.3 Bishopwearmouth Cemetery – Footpath improvement

- 2.3.1 Recent inspection of footpaths within Bishopwearmouth Cemetery revealed surface damage along various parts of the paths, ranging from individual potholes to re-surfacing.
- 2.3.2 Whilst this proposal would not resolve every surface problem within the Cemetery, this proposal would improve the pathway in the highest

footfall areas (the site visit was undertaken with colleagues from Bereavement Services), and would benefit visitors to the Cemetery. It would make the surface more sustainable for years to come.

2.3.3 The attached map indicates which footpaths the works and estimated costs refer to:

- Area 1 £2463.93
Regulate and overlay with 6mm aggregate DBM wearing course 20mm thick – 63m².
- Area 2 £9242.56
Provide and lay 50 x 150mm PCC edge kerb – 136m.
Provide key, regulate and overlay with 6mm aggregate DBM wearing course 20mm thick – 136m².
- Area 3 £2804.32
Regulate and overlay with 6mm aggregate DBM wearing course 20mm thick – 135m².
- Area 4 £2845.56
Provide and lay 6mm aggregate DBM wearing course 20mm thick overlay – 138m².
- Area 5 £2845.56
Provide and lay 6mm aggregate DBM wearing course 20mm thick overlay – 138m².
- Area 6 £2845.56
Provide and lay 6mm aggregate DBM wearing course 20mm thick overlay – 138m².
- Area 7 & 8 £2737.70
Regulate and overlay 6mm aggregate DBM wearing course 20mm thick – 70m².
- Pothole reinstatement £1458
Provide and lay DBM wearing course as fill to potholes 25mm or greater to areas identified on main walkways during site visit.

2.3.4 Total cost of works to Bishopwearmouth Cemetery footpaths
£27,243.19.

2.4 Barnes Park extension footpath improvements

2.4.1 Recent inspection of footpaths within Barnes Park extension from Hurstwood Road to Tay Road reveal surface damage along various parts of the paths, ranging from individual potholes to re-surfacing.

2.4.2 Whilst this proposal would not resolve every surface problem within the extension (the area in the vicinity of Goole Road would require works which would more than double this estimate), this proposal would improve the footpath and make the surface more sustainable for years to come.

2.4.3 Total estimated cost of Barnes Park extension footpath improvements
£7925.60.

2.5 North View Playing Fields

2.5.1 Establish an access solution that will improve supervised access to the playing fields to allow charging for spectating games.

2.5.2 Conditions will be attached to the fund for the group to become responsible for ongoing maintenance of the agreed solution.

2.5.2 Total estimated cost £1500.

3. Recommendations

3.1 Consider and agree the improvement works to be recommended to Area Committee, up to the value of the balance of SIP.