

Coalfield Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme**Approval Application No. 1**

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| Funding Source | Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme |
| Name of Project | Shiney Lighting |
| Lead Organisation | Sunderland City Council |

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| Total cost of Project | Total Match Funding | Total NCIF Application |
| | £0 | £5,961 |
| Project Duration | Start Date | End Date |
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Project Description:

The project will provide enhanced lighting to a currently unlit section of housing at Council Avenue, The Haven and the Anchorage in Shiney Row. Following an assessment by Balfour Beatty it was identified that provision of 5 lighting columns would be sufficient to light the area and improve safety and security for residents. The specification of columns and associated infrastructure works required have been assessed and a quote received.

Recommendation:

The Neighbourhood and Communities Board recommend approval of funding from the Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme, to this project, which delivers to the Coalfield Sunderland Area Investment Delivery Plan Priority of Improving Highways, Pavements and Street Lighting.

Alignment Proposal 1

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| Funding Source | Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme |
| Name of Project | Elemore Greenspace |
| Lead Organisation | Elemore Greenspace Project Group |
| ALIGN | £100,000 |

Project Description

The former Elemore Golf Club, Elemore Lane, Easington Lane is currently unused. The building is deteriorating and subject to vandalism, and the course and surrounding greenspace has been accessed and damaged by riders of quads and off road motorcycles. Sunderland City Council agreed to set up a project group to protect and develop the site, now known as the 'Elemore Greenspace Project'. A project group, made up of officers, partners, Councillors and members of the local community has now been set up and a comprehensive action plan has been developed. The Council awarded £500k core Capital Programme funding to the project at the recent annual budget meeting. It is proposed to develop the club house and the greenspace area for the benefit of the local and wider community as a location of natural and historic importance. Progress to date includes - Planning

restrictions info received, Environmental surveys commissioned, Survey of Club House underway, Consultation survey underway, Ideas being explored so far include a visitor centre/café, nursery and garden centre, walking/cycling hub, wildlife area and initiatives to promote the site as historically important and the start of the Stephenson Trail.

Recommendation

The Neighbourhood and Communities Board recommend alignment of funding from the Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme, to this project, which delivers to the Coalfield Sunderland Area Investment Delivery Plan Priority of Vacant Property and Land for Culture and Leisure

Alignment Proposal 2

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| Funding Source | Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme |
| Name of Project | Improving Rectory Park |
| Lead Organisation | Sunderland City Council |
| ALIGN | £100,000 |

Project Description

The project will provide improvements to Rectory Park in the centre of Houghton le Spring. The park is well used and forms an important part of local heritage. There is an increasing body of evidence which shows the value of spending time in natural environment for mental health and the value of exercise in promoting well being. A need which has been reinforced during the Covid Pandemic. The Neighbourhood and Communities Board has identified a need for some enhancements of the park for the benefit of the local community and recommend aligning a sum of £100,000 Capital Investment to bring change to the Park for the local and wider community which include the following benefits:

- Create better spaces for the community to access
- Create spaces and place where people can build activity into their everyday lives
- Create spaces and place which provide a safe and secure environment for exercise and play for all ages and abilities

A Project Steering group will be set up to develop plans for the park.

Recommendation

The Neighbourhood and Communities Board recommend alignment of funds to this project, which delivers to the Coalfield Sunderland Area Investment Delivery Plan Priorities of Improve Local Greenspaces, and, Preserve and Celebrate Local Heritage.