

## REPORT TO EXECUTIVE



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## Cycling and Access Programme – Capital Finance Release 2011-2012

## PURPOSE

- To secure the release of £215,500 from the Capital Programme Allocation of £335,658 for the financial year 2011-2012 for the Cycling and Access Programme and to seek approval to tender the proposed works in accordance with Standing Orders.

## RECOMMENDATION

- The Executive is requested to:
  - Approve the release of the £215,500 Cycling and Access budget from the 2011 – 2012 Capital Programme.
  - Authorise the Engineering Manager to tender the works in accordance with Standing Orders and to accept the most economically advantageous tender for the proposed works.

## REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- Burnley Borough Council is working in partnership with Sustrans, Connect 2 and Lancashire County Council to provide and promote local access links, for cycling and walking, as a clean and healthy alternative to private and public vehicular transport. Considerable progress has been made in recent years with the completion of Brun Valley Greenway, Padiham Greenway, Sweetclough Phase 1, Padiham Memorial Park, Queens Park Link and various other improvements including upgrades along the canal access corridor.

## SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

- It is proposed to undertake the following schemes during 2011 – 2012 financial year:
  - Sweetclough Valley Link Phase 2 – estimated at £69,000**  
This work will complete the off-road access link from Sweetclough Greenway to Padiham Greenway. Phase 1 was undertaken in the last financial year 2010-2011.

Construction works are estimated to total £60,000 with an additional £9,000 for capitalised staff time.

The financing for this project has been secured, £19,000 from capital receipts and £50,000 from the national cycling and access body, Sustrans, under the Connect 2 programme of works.

## **2. Padiham Greenway Simonstone Link – estimated at £28,000**

This is a proposed link between the Simonstone/Altham business areas and the Padiham Greenway

Construction works are anticipated to cost £23,500 with an additional £4,500 for capitalised staff time.

The financing for this project has been secured, £18,000 from capital receipts and the remaining £10,000 being funded by Lancashire County Council's Local Transport Plan.

## **3. Padiham By-Pass – estimated at £48,500**

Upgrade of the footway along the by-pass from Shuttleworth Mead to Higham to allow shared use. Pendle Borough Council will upgrade the length from Higham to Barrowford, completing the full length of the by-pass.

Construction works are anticipated to cost £41,000 with an additional £7500 for capitalised staff time.

The financing for this project has been secured, £31,000 from capital receipts and the remaining £17,500 being funded by Lancashire County Council's Local Transport Plan.

## **4. River Drive/Lune Street – estimated at £25,000**

Upgrade of existing access path including reconstruction of the ramp and provision of a hand rail.

Construction works are anticipated to cost £21,000 with an additional £4,000 for capitalised staff time.

The financing secured for this project has been secured, £7,000 from capital receipts and £18,000 from the national cycling and access body, Sustrans, under the 'Safe Routes to School' programme.

## **5. Canal Embankment– estimated at £14,000**

Improvements and upgrades to improve access to the Liverpool Leeds canal towpath.

Construction works are anticipated to cost £12,000 with an additional £2,000 for capitalised staff time.

The financing for this project has been fully secured from capital receipts

## **6. Shuttleworth Mead Link – estimated at £7,000**

Provision of a new short link from Shuttleworth Mead Business Park to Padiham Greenway.

Construction works are anticipated to cost £6,000 with an additional £1000 for capitalised staff time.

The financing for this project has been fully secured from capital receipts.

## **7. Small Improvements – estimated at £24,000**

Minor upgrades to existing pathways including guard rails, barriers etc.

Construction works are anticipated to cost £21,000 with an additional £3,000 for capitalised staff time.

The financing for this project has been fully secured from capital receipts.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGET PROVISION

5. The resources identified to finance the cycling and access works for the financial year 2011 – 2012 totalling £335,658. The resources identified within the Capital Programme consist of:

	Approved Budget	Budget to be Released
Third Party Contributions	£133,426	£95,500
Section 106 Monies	£64,000	---
Capital Receipts	£138,232	£120,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>£335,658</b>	<b>£215,500</b>

6. The remaining budget of £120,158 was approved within the original capital budget for the construction of cycle and access ways on existing private land. Property Consultancy staff are currently negotiating to buy the land to enable this element of this years planned programme of works to go ahead. Members will be updated on the progress of this under the capital budget monitoring reports. If negotiations are unsuccessful, the remaining budget, currently unreleased, would need to be deleted from this years programme.

## POLICY IMPLICATIONS

7. All proposed works comply with Burnley Borough Council's Cycle Strategy

## DETAILS OF CONSULTATION

8. Lancashire County Council Local Transport Plan and Lancashire County Council Highways  
Cycle Touring Club  
Sustrans  
Forest of Burnley

## BACKGROUND PAPERS

9. Burnley Borough Council's Cycle and Access Strategy  
Lancashire County Council Cycle Strategy  
Local Transport Plan

## FURTHER INFORMATION

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