MEMBERS CIL FUNDING REQUEST FORM

AREA COMMITTEE – MEMBERS CIL FUNDING REQUEST	
MEMBER	Cllr Paul Lemon
DATE	27.10.23
WARD	Brunswick Park
cross-ward applications	{Please outline the additional wards and provide the Member(s) endorsement}
SCHEME SUMMARY	

The creation of a multi-use games area (MUGA) within Brunswick Park. The MUGA would be freely available for the local community to utilise free of charge. The MUGA will also be used at set times during school hours for the neighbouring Brunswick Park School in recognition of their financial contribution towards the construction costs.

Funding Request (£)	£110,000
CIL Eligibility	The scheme will deliver a new facility to the park and one that is not currently provided for in the park.
Area Committee priorities	The project contributes towards the Our Plan for Barnet 2023—2026 in the following key areas; Place – Borough of Fun People – Family Friendly and Living Well The project meets the Area Committee Priorities - Park & open spaces (to include infrastructure) - Schools (whereby requests demonstrate a wide community benefit/health & wellbeing (excluding building/development projects & fee-paying schools)
Who will deliver the scheme	Greenspaces
Community Grants (if applicable please confirm this is included with the application)	N/A
Feasibility Study only	N/A

BUDGET & DELIVERY

The project is based on some soft market testing completed by the School. The estimates received varied from £85,000-125,000. The school have also pledged £30,000 in contribution for the scheme.

The budget is based on the upper estimate;

Item	£
Estimated Cost	£125,000
10% Project Management	£12,500
10% Contingency	£12,500
BUDGET	£150,000

The project funding sources are set out below;

Funding Source	£
Area Committee	£110,000
Brunswick Park School	£40,000
BUDGET	£150,000

Quotes provided with	Project is subject to a procurement exercise
the application	
Timescale for delivery	If funding is approved the planning and procurement phases will be
_	undertaken in early-mid 2024 with construction later that year.
Council Service	Matthew Gunyon - Head of Greenspaces
Delivery	
Dependencies/Risks	Project cost post procurement – mitigated by contingency.
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	Planning consent – early engagement with planning colleagues will be
	undertaken to de-risk the project
VALUE FOR MONEY	

VALUE FOR MONEY

The Council does not currently have a contract in place for the construction of a MUGA and as such the scheme would require a procurement exercise to be completed. The contract procurement would be undertaken should funding be successful.

Note the scheme may require planning consent before works can be undertaken

COMMUNITY DENERITE	
costs	
No ongoing revenue	

COMMUNITY BENEFITS

The nearest MUGA is in Oak Hill Park which is around 10 minutes walk from Brunswick Park. There are a number of residential properties to the East and West of Brunswick Park and whilst recently it has received investment in its play area and it benefits from large open areas and ecological features it doesn't have any formal sports provision, the addition of a MUGA which could be used all year round would be a great addition the park and would offer local residents an additional way to enjoy this fantastic park.

The MUGA would be booked out for school sessions in return for their financial contribution but outside of those times the MUGA will be free to use for local residents. School sessions will be publicised on the MUGA gate.

Supporting Statement from The Executive Headteacher at Brunswick Primary School;

As a school, Brunswick Park prides itself on the many opportunities it provides for physical activity. This is an integral part to school life, both as part of the curriculum and beyond. In recent years, the school has undergone expansion and now has double the amount of children on roll but with less recreational space. Recent OFSTED inspection commented on the cramped play conditions and the potentially negative impact this has on effective play opportunities in addition to the obvious health and safety concerns. Staff are struggling to provide the activities that they need to do to meet the DfE requirements for delivering 2 hours of high quality physical activity, whilst the limited school grounds make it almost impossible to meet the expectations of the child obesity plan and ensuring that children are exposed to at least 30 minutes of daily activity in school. In addition, the lack of suitable play space makes it extremely challenging to deliver the broad range of extra curricular sporting activities that we have in the past.

With this in mind, alleviating the pressure on space through the creation of a MUGA space adjacent to the school in the Brunswick Park recreational space would provide an outstanding opportunity for both the school and the local community.

Lead Officer Review – if required	
Lead Officer	
Date	
Assessment &	
Recommendations	

MEMBERS CIL FUNDING REQUEST FORM

AREA COMMITTEE – MEMBERS CIL FUNDING REQUEST	
MEMBER	Cllr Alison Moore
DATE	12/12/23
WARD	East Finchley Ward
cross-ward applications	N/A
Funding Request (£)	£35K (part funding of an approximately £70K project)
SCHEME SUMMARY	

The retaining wall of the playground in Market Place East Finchley N2 is of poor quality, comprising layered concrete paving slabs and installed a long time ago. Due to tree and bush growth within the bank behind and above the retaining wall, the wall structure is being compromised and there is a risk it might become unsafe. The playground is currently being redeveloped as part of a community project led by the Friends of Market Place Playground in collaboration with the East Finchley Community Trust and the council. However, the wall does not form part of the project.



It has been established that the wall and its replacement is the responsibility of the Green Spaces Service and a number of options have been looked at.

There is an exciting opportunity to replace the current poor-quality wall with a gabion basket wall (such has been used by the Brent Cross Town developers at the entrance to the new Claremont Park) as a pilot project that would potentially increase the biodiversity at this site (see below).



The gabions – essentially steel cages containing stones – link to form a robust wall (see below) but are also capable of having planting incorporated within them. This could take

the form of Tillandsias (air plants such as Spanish Moss or other flowering varieties); ground cover plants such as Lobularia Maritima, a white flowered, scented alyssum; small leaved ivies or if planting pockets are used, various species of alpine or rockery plants. Some of the planting options could potentially aid air quality by absorbing pollutants, a particularly valuable additional benefit at the periphery of a children's playground. Different planting options can be explored as part of what will be an exemplar project.

CIL Eligibility Area Committee priorities	The project will enhance the borough's physical infrastructure. It will replace an aging asset with an innovative, sustainable option that has the potential to increase biodiversity at the site. The project aims to use an innovative option for the replacement of an aging retaining wall that would enhance both the visual impact of the wall on the street scene, present opportunities for increased and varied planting that is climate change robust. Thus, it contributes to sustainability and improving the physical and green infrastructure in the borough. While this will be delivered by a council service, the concept has been actively discussed with local environmental project groups and will enhance the 'green corridor' being developed within this sector of East Finchley ward and potentially (depending on planting choices) could contribute to the local Pollinator Project.
Who will deliver the scheme	Barnet Green Spaces and Leisure Service
Community Grants (if applicable please confirm this is included with the application)	N/A
Feasibility Study only	N/A

BUDGET & DELIVERY

{Please provide an itemised budget for the scheme (for example – quotes provided, an excel sheet etc). Please ensure the budget reflects the funding requested in the application.

The budget should be supported by either the relevant Barnet service area (their quote is sufficient) or at least two quotes from external suppliers, which are itemised and with the VAT element shown separately).



Estimate - Andy Arliss - Market Place F

In summary, part funding is sought to support project funding within Green Spaces budget

The project costs supplied are as follows:

Gabion Wall £48,000 ex VAT (£9,600 VAT)

Staff time and contingency £20,400
Total estimated cost £68,400

Area Grant contribution sought £35,000 Greenspaces Capital Programme £33,400

Quotes provided with	{see attached above)
the application	
Timescale for delivery	As the project is designed by the Green Spaces and Leisure Service and would use an external term contractor, it could form part of this current year's work programme.
Council Service	Contact:
Delivery	Andy Arliss - Andrew.Arliss@barnet.gov.uk 07833 437515
·	Matt Gunyon - <u>Matthew.Gunyon@Barnet.gov.uk</u>
Dependencies/Risks	See Greenspaces and Leisure costs above. This will replace an existing wall.
VALUE FOR MONEY	

VALUE FOR MONEY

How does your scheme offer good value for money?

- The replacement of an aging and deteriorating retaining wall to a children's playground with an innovative (for Barnet) but proven construction option represents value for money.
- As the wall was deteriorating its replacement was required. The Greenspaces and Leisure service have planned to repair the wall in its current form. However, the Area Grant allocation would allow the piloting of a new, more sustainable option that would increase biodiversity at the site.

	There are no additional revenue or maintenance costs beyond current
costs	anticipated by the service.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS

The scheme should be considering the providing the widest community benefits possible.

The retaining wall forms part of the perimeter of the Market Place Playground in N2 which is subject to a wider renovation project led by the Friends of Market Place Playground. Dealing with the deteriorating current structure and replacing that with an option providing a more positive local (potentially wider) environmental impact is in keeping with the wider project and the council's environmental aspirations.

In addition, depending on the planting options incorporated into the Gabion basket wall, there will be a contribution to the ongoing pollinator project and it will complement the planting projects at the northern end of Market Place and the Leopold Road Garden nearby.

Improvements to the street scene of the neighbouring Park Road and securing this stretch of retaining wall will benefit those who use the footpath.

Lead Officer Review – if required	
Lead Officer	
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MEMBERS CIL FUNDING REQUEST FORM

AREA COMMIT	TEE – MEMBERS CIL FUNDING REQUEST					
MEMBER	Cllr Arjun Mittra					
DATE	18/12/2023					
WARD	East Finchley					
cross-ward applications	{Please outline the additional wards and provide the Member(s) endorsement}					
SCHEME SUMMARY						
Oak Lane Open Space Improvement Project						
Funding Request (£)	£27128.00					
CIL Eligibility	The scheme will deliver improvements to the open space that will offer informal play opportunities for local users and increase biodiversity within the open space.					
Area Committee priorities	The project contributes towards the Our Plan for Barnet 2023—2026 in the following key areas; Place – Borough of Fun People – Family Friendly and Living Well The project meets the Area Committee Priorities - Park & open spaces (to include infrastructure)					
Who will deliver the scheme	Greenspaces					
Community Grants (if applicable please confirm this is included with the application)	N/A					
Feasibility Study only	N/A					

BUDGET & DELIVERY

The project will see a series of improvements to the site as set out in the scheme budget below

Item	Value £		
Wild Flower Creation	£850.00		
Eco Tower Purchase	£450.00		
Eco Tower Installation	£200.00		
3 No Benches incl Installation	£6,000.00		
Fallen Timber informal seating	600.00		
Boulders	£3400.00		
Fencing Extension	£11,840.00		
2 No Bird/Bat Boxes	£250.00		
Sub Total	£23590.00		
10% Contingency	£2359.00		
5% Project Management Cost	£1179.00		
TOTAL	£27128.00		

Quotes provided with	Quotes received included			
the application				
Timescale for delivery	If funding is approved the works will be planned to be completed ready			
_	for the Spring planting season			
Council Service	Matthew Gunyon - Head of Greenspaces			
Delivery				
Dependencies/Risks	encies/Risks Weather conditions may cause some delay to ground works.			
VALUE FOR MONEY				

The project will be completed by a term contractor.

No ongoing revenue	There will be no ongoing revenue impact related to this project
costs	

COMMUNITY BENEFITS

A group of local residents contacted the council about how the small open space on Oak Lane could be improved to offer some form of informal play space and ecological improvements that would enhance the local Biodiversity. The group noted that the area become more used since COVID with many local residents using it as a place to come together and for local children to play.

Following a site visit with the local residents a series of small scale improvements were put together that would make the are more usable for local families as well as offering environmental enhancements.

The area is currently used for informal play and sports with some local provided community football goals on the green. The area also benefits from level changes which allows for imaginative play. This scheme will seek to enhance that offering through the use of fallen timber and boulders that will offer informal seating or obstacles for children to climb on. The addition of a wildflower meadow, with bug hotel and bird boxes will help support improvement the local biodiversity within the site. The final scheme will also include benches which will allow local residents with places to sit and enjoy the enhanced public open spaces. The proposal seeks to extend a section of fencing in order to provide a safer place to play and enjoy for young children.

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ESTIMATE

OAK ROAD

WILD FLOWERS

- To supply labour and equipment to cut the grass as close as possible, removing the arisings from site.
- To supply labour and equipment to scarify the surface to loosen the topsoil approximately 50 sq.m
- To supply and sow N4F Summer Flowering Butterfly & Bee Mix Flowers Only with yellow Rattle, over the area and lightly roll.

ALL FOR THE SUM OF £850.00 PLUS V.A.T.

OAK ROAD

BOULDERS

• To supply labour and equipment to collect 4 large boulders, deliver and place onsite, with a shallow foundation to stop any movement.

ALL FOR THE SUM OF £3,400.00 PLUS VAT



• To supply labour and equipment to collect a large log, trim any sharp surfaces, deliver and place onsite, with a shallow foundation to stop any movement.

ALL FOR THE SUM OF £600.00 PLUS VAT

QUOTE B R E Fabrications

Attention:

Andrew Arliss
Barnet Council
London Borough of Barnet Accounts Payable Team
PO Box 328 Darlington DL1 9PN

Date 21 December 2023 Quote Number Q000663 Job Number Oak Road Green and Leisure (Mini Park)

Costs	Quantity	Rate	Amount
From New Oak Lane side from Brick Pier to tree stump 8 panels approximately 22mts (price per meter)	22.00	148.00	3,256.00
From tree stump to footpath 11 panels approximately 30mts (price per meter)	30.00	148.00	4,440.00
From footpath to block of flats "Taunton Drive side 10 panels approximately 2mts (price per meter)	28.00	148.00	4,144.00
		Subtotal	11,840.00
		VAT	2,368.00
		Total	14,208.00

QUOTE Taylor's Foundry

RN6 bench, 6ft, green steel slats, cast iron black ends
Barnet crest in the top circle and the word Barnet in the lower circle of the bench ends
£1490.00 each, excluding VAT

Delivery for three benches £350.00 excluding VAT

Our lead time at present is 6-8 weeks from receipt of order.