

Highfield Road - Area Committee supplemental paper

This paper is to support the application made in June 2023 to the East Area Committee.

The committee resolved *'To approve sufficient funding to enable the public consultation required for the bid to occur with a condition that the outcome of the consultation and plans of the intended works be returned to the next Committee meeting to approve the remainder of the funding to deliver the works provided the outcome of the consultation were positive'*.

A statutory consultation was undertaken with residents in the surrounding area and UKPN. Through this consultation feedback was received from one resident who was in support of the proposals to improve the closed section of Highfield Road. Furthermore, feedback was received from UKPN noting their need to maintain access to their apparatus and potential shallow cables. No objections were received during the consultation process.

In addition to the consultation noted above a topographical survey was undertaken to ascertain the extent and depth of cabling and how this may impact the overall scheme.

Following the topographical survey a review of the design was undertaken. The design will include the detail shown below:

- Current paved area to be retained and re-laid with asphalt in black
- Road surface to be resurfaced using resin bound asphalt in light grey to denote the area and assume the effect of a meeting point retaining access to UKPN and the rear of properties
- Removal of 2 parking spaces
- Decorative lighting
- Resurface the footpath between Highfield Road and Leaside Crescent

The cost associated to this scheme and for which I am seeking funding approval from this Committee is £43,214.98.

Highfield Road Public Realm	
Highways works cost	£28,286.38
Street lighting	£11,000.00
Fees at 10%	£3,928.64
Total	£43,214.98

The design proposals will enhance the bottom section of Highfield Road and create a meeting area for the community within a very busy throughfare throughout the year. Furthermore, a number of residents congregate at this location on the High Holy Days.

Furthermore, enhanced street lighting will be introduced and the link between Highfield Road and Leaside Crescent will be resurfaced to complete the scheme.

The current layout is dark and uninviting as highlighted in the image below. The new layout will open up the area with a lighter surface material creating the appearance of an open square where residents will be encouraged to stop and talk, meet with their children, be captivated by the flow of the brook.

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The material below is resin bound gravel and will be used on the carriageway to denote a meeting area. This area will also retain access to the rear of properties and UKPN.



Street Lighting is a high-level estimate, the details will be agreed with ward members during implementation.