



	Cabinet Member Report
Date:	24 January 2018
Subject:	Expenditure from the Maida Vale Ward Budget to contribute to updating the footpath lighting around Paddington Recreation Ground.
1. Summary	
1.1 This report seeks approval for the expenditure of £40,715.70 from the Maida Vale Ward Budget in order to commission:	
(a) A contribution to update footpath lighting around Paddington Recreation Ground. The footpath around the grounds is a mix of old original cabling, fixtures and fittings. This project would upgrade the lights to more environmentally friendly LED lights, provide additional pathway uplighters and refurbish time clocks.	
Recommendation	
That the Cabinet Member for Environment, Sports and Community approves expenditure of £40,715.70 in respect of the above proposal detailed in the report.	



City of Westminster

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Cabinet Member:

Cabinet Member for Environment, Sports and Community

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Classification:

For General Release

Title of Report:

Expenditure from the Maida Vale Ward Budget to contribute to updating the footpath lighting around Paddington Recreation Ground.

Report of:

Head of Cabinet Secretariat

Wards involved:

Maida Vale

Policy context:

Neighbourhoods Programme

Financial summary:

The proposed expenditure of £40,715.70 from the Maida Vale Ward Budget leaves £0 remaining for allocation in the current financial year.

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1. Background Information

- 1.1 Ward budgets were established under the City Council's Neighbourhood Programme agreed by the Cabinet in November 2007. The extension to the ward budget programme was agreed in March 2010 for continuation until March 2014.
- 1.2 The renewal of the ward budget programme for the years 2014-2018 was agreed in June 2014.
- 1.3 Budget provision of £46,000 for the financial year 2017/18 exists to fund ward based projects.

2. Proposed Projects

- 2.1 £40,715.70 will fund a contribution to update footpath lighting around Paddington Recreation Ground. The footpath around the grounds is a mix of old original cabling, fixtures and fittings. This project would upgrade the lights to more environmentally friendly LED lights, provide additional pathway uplighters and refurbish time clocks.
- 2.2 The pathway lighting has failed on numerous occasions, and repairs are becoming more difficult, particularly on the older element on the circuitry. Members of the local community have expressed concern at the number of lighting failures in the recent months, and feel the park is unsafe. They are currently dealing with the latest failure (19/12/17) but this would be a short term solution pending a full upgrade.
- 2.3 The other contribution would be made by Everyone Active, who are managing the project and are the house contractor. Everyone Active's management contract with Westminster City Council includes maintenance and repairs to all Westminster's leisure centres and they will be carrying out these works. Council officer's will sit on site meetings, including the pre-start meet, site meetings, and commissioning tests. Copies of testing certificates will also be made available to Council officers.

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 Expenditure and approvals in process from the Maida Vale budget to date total £142,800.55 leaving **£40,715.70** to be allocated.
- 3.2 The proposals for expenditure in this report amount to **£40,715.70** and leaves **£0** available for future allocation.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 Section 1 of the Localism Act, aka "the general power of competence" enables authorities "to do anything that individuals generally may do". The proposals within this report are consistent with the Council exercising this power.

5. Outstanding Issues

- 5.1 There were no outstanding issues – all the Maida Vale Councillors approved the project.

6. Consultation

- 6.1 The proposals have been agreed by all Councillors from all wards involved
- 6.2 The proposal to fund a contribution to update footpath lighting around Paddington Recreation Ground, has been drawn up and verified following consultation with Everyone Active (who manage Paddington Recreation Ground), and the Council's Finance and Legal Services Departments.

7. Equalities

- 7.1 The proposals in this report will support the Council's wider equalities and diversity agenda by focusing on addressing local issues with enhanced local engagement.

If you have any queries about this report or wish to inspect one of the background papers please contact Sonia Sekhon on 020 7641 4299, or email ssekhon@westminster.gov.uk

For completion by the Cabinet Member for Environment, Sports and Community

Declaration of Interest

- I have no interest to declare in respect of this report

Signed Date
Councillor David Harvey, Cabinet Member for Environment, Sports and Community

- I have to declare an interest

State nature of interest:

Signed Date
Councillor David Harvey, Cabinet Member for Environment, Sports and Community

(N.B: If you have an interest you should seek advice as to whether it is appropriate to make a decision in relation to this matter.)

For the reasons set out above, I agree the recommendation(s) in the report entitled **Expenditure from the Maida Vale Ward Budget to contribute to updating the footpath lighting around Paddington Recreation Ground** and reject any alternative options which are referred to but not recommended.

Signed
Councillor David Harvey, Cabinet Member for Environment, Sports and Community

Date

For Ward Specific Reports Only

In reaching this decision I have given due regard to any representations made by relevant Ward Members.

Signed
Councillor David Harvey, Cabinet Member for Environment, Sports and Community

Date

If you have any additional comment which you would want actioned in connection with your decision you should discuss this with the report author and then set out your comment below before the report and this pro-forma is returned to the Secretariat for processing.

Additional comment:

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