



**Hinckley & Bosworth
Borough Council**

FORWARD TIMETABLE OF CONSULTATION AND DECISION MAKING

SCRUTINY COMMISSION 18 July 2019

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL PARISH WARDS

PARISH AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVE FUND ALLOCATION OF GRANTS 2019/2020

Report of Director of (Environment and Planning)

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To inform the Scrutiny Commission of the allocation of the Parish and Community Initiative Fund 2019/20.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the Scrutiny Commission note the funding allocations of £128,000 for 37 schemes as detailed in section 3.3.

2.2 That Scrutiny Commission note a further £22,457 be allocated to fund the applications as detailed in section 3.4.

2.3 That the Scrutiny Commission note the request of £29,128 allowing 4 previous years scheme to be completed as detailed in section 3.6 (to be funded from the 2019/20 budget).

3. BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT

3.1 Since 2005 the Parish Community Initiative Fund has distributed over £1,255,000 towards 323 local parishes or voluntary organisation schemes. See appendix 2 attached.

3.2 In 2018/19 the scheme received 48 applications from across the Borough and a total of £150,000 was awarded to 44 schemes.

3.3 Applications for 2019/20:

The table in Appendix 1 of this report provides an objective scoring summary from the assessments made of all the applications by the Green Space Team.

The assessment panel then determined which applications they felt should be awarded grant funding. This panel consisted of Caroline Roffey Head of Street Scene Services, Ian Pinfold – Green Space Manager, Edwina Grant – Strategic and Community Planning Officer, Paul Scragg – Senior Green Space Officer and Susan Chambers Green Space Officer.

This year funding was allocated based on the total population of the Parish with a minimum of £12,000 available to each Parish (as shown in the table below).

Population	
0-3000	12,000
3000-6000	14,000
6000-9000	16,000
9000-12000	18,000
12000-15000	20,000
15000 +	22,000

The grant will fund a maximum of 50% of the project costs. Each applicant must seek support from their Parish Council and Borough Councillor. Only capital items are funded, the lowest submitted quote has been used to calculate the maximum eligible grant, unless a good reason has been provided for using a higher quote.

42 applications have been received requesting a total of £162,474 (Total eligible funding based on 50% funding and a maximum of £12,000 per project requested was £171,524).

Based on the information in Appendix 1 the assessment panel recommends funding the following schemes totalling £128,000. (Applications are set out in alphabetical order by parish and parish name is given in brackets).

1. Augmentation of bells, St Peter's Church – Thornton and Bagworth Parochial Church Council (Bagworth and Thornton)
Outline: Improvements to the bells at St Peter's Church . £9,000
2. Community building improvements – Barlestone Parish Council (Barlestone)
Outline: Installation of acoustic panels in new community building. £3,267
3. Kitchen Extension – Elohim Church (Barlestone)
Outline: Hub café Kitchen extension. £4,644
4. Play area improvements – Barwell Parish Council (Barwell)
Outline: Replacement of safety surfacing at Kirkby Road Park. £4,046
5. New BMX track– Barwell Parish Council (Barwell)
Outline: The installation of a new BMX track at Barwell Park. £1,525
6. Toilet improvements – Barwell Parish Council (Barwell)
Outline: The replacement of a hand dryer for the disabled toilets. £1,503
7. Replacement barge boards – Barwell Parish Council (Barwell)
Outline: Replacement barge boards for chapel roof in Barwell Cemetery. £3,325
8. Britannia Road Car parking – Burbage Parish Council (Burbage)

- Outline: Increased parking area for Britannia Road community centre car park.
£9,230
9. Kitchen improvements St Catherine's Church – St Catherine's Church Council (Burbage)
Outline: Refurbish and upgrade St Catherine's Church Kitchen. £10,238
 10. New Mower – Burbage Bowling Club (Burbage)
Outline: A new mower for the bowling green. £2,532
 11. New footpath – Cadeby Community Development Trust (Cadeby)
Outline: The installation of a crushed stone footpath at All Saint's Church Cadeby. £4,393
 12. Woodland improvements - Cadeby Community Development Trust (Cadeby)
Outline: Woodland improvements and wildflower planting. £1,716
 13. New Seat – Carlton Parish Council (Carlton)
Outline: The installation of a new bench at the Diamond Jubilee Orchard. £533
 14. Lighting upgrade – Desford Parochial Church Council (Desford)
Outline: Refurbishment and upgrade of the lighting at St Martin's Church and Community Hall. £2,385
 15. New Catering Equipment – Friends of Desford Primary School (Desford)
Outline: A new hot water canteen and reusable cups for use at school community events. £145
 16. Desford Mining Heritage Scheme – Desford Parish Council (Desford)
Outline: Installation of a new seat depicting coal mining at Holmfield Road. £481
 17. New Footpath – Earl Shilton Parish Council (Earl Shilton)
Outline: The installation of a new metalled footpath at Maple Way Park. £10,000
 18. Oaklands Way Pocket Park – Earl Shilton Parish Council (Earl Shilton)
Outline: The installation of toddler multi-play unit, together with safety surfacing and fencing. £5,215
 19. New footpath – Groby Parish Council (Groby)
Outline: The creation of a new footpath at Beacon Fields. £2,858
 20. Storage Facility– Groby Allotment Society (Groby)
Outline: The installation of a storage facility for garden supplies for plot holders. £2,473
 21. Orchard Close Allotments – Groby Parish Council (Groby)
Outline: repairs to the ancient wall around the allotments and resurfacing the allotment car park. £7,010
 22. Speed indicator signs – Market Bosworth Parish Council (Market Bosworth)
Outline: The purchase of a portable vehicle activated speed indicator device. £1,245
 23. Play area improvements – Market Bosworth Parish Council (Market Bosworth)

- Outline: Play area improvements at Water Mede play area. £1,935
24. New men's toilets – Newbold Verdon Parish Council (Newbold Verdon)
Outline: The refurbishment of the men's toilets at the sports pavilion. £1,449
 25. Village Hall windows – Peckleton Parish Council (Peckleton)
Outline: The replacement of the village hall windows. £4,924
 26. New bench – Peckleton Parish Council (Peckleton)
Outline: New bespoke bench close to war memorial in Kirkby Mallory. £355
 27. Speed indicator sign – Peckleton Parish Council (Peckleton)
Outline: The purchase of a portable vehicle activated speed indicator sign.
£1,947
 28. New notice boards – Peckleton Parish Council (Peckleton)
Outline: The provision of new notice boards in Peckleton, Kirkby Mallory and Stapleton. £3,037
 29. New benches – Peckleton Parish Council (Peckleton)
Outline: Two new benches at Kirkby Mallory recreation ground. £476
 30. Outdoor Gym equipment – Sheepy parish Council (Sheepy)
Outline: New outdoor gym equipment at Sheepy playing fields. £8,592
 31. Ceiling renovations – All Saints Project Account (Sheepy)
Outline: Renovation of the ceiling at All Saints Church. £3,000
 32. Renovation of church building – Without Walls (Stanton under Bardon)
Outline: Renewing the rendering on the side elevation of the church building.
£2,762
 33. Lighting improvements – St Margaret's Parochial Church Council (Stoke Golding)
Outline: Lighting improvements to the north west corner of the church. £519
 34. Resurfacing works – Sutton Cheney Parish Council (Sutton Cheney)
Outline: Resurfacing of main entrance and car parking area at St James Church.
£2,095
 35. Traffic Calming measures – Sutton Cheney Parish Council (Sutton Cheney)
Outline: Vehicle activated speed signs at Dadlington, Shenton and Sutton Cheney. £2,856
 36. Streetlight improvement scheme – Sutton Cheney Parish Council (Sutton Cheney)
Outline: The replacement of existing lamp columns with LED style lanterns.
£6,079
 37. New emergency door – Twycross Village Hall Committee (Twycross)
Outline: The installation of a new emergency door on the village hall kitchen.
£210
- 3.4 The following schemes could be considered for funding but will either exceed the parish limit or there are concerns with regards to their validity, however the panel felt

they met the criteria and could be considered for funding. (Applications are set out in alphabetical order by parish and parish name is given in brackets).

1. Play area improvements – Barwell Parish Council (Barwell)
Outline: Replacement safety surfacing at Boston Way Park. £2,899
Rationale: The current wetpour safety surfacing at the park is in a reasonable condition however it is starting to shrink at the edges, causing a possible trip hazard. The Rospa report for the park suggests repairing the surfacing, but not necessarily replacing it completely.
2. Britannia Road Car parking – Burbage Parish Council (Burbage)
Outline: Increased parking area for Britannia Road community centre car park. £2,770 (extra requested funding for the project)
Rationale: This would take the funding for the Parish over the £22,000 limit.
3. Rugby Road recreation ground footpath – Burbage Parish Council (Burbage)
Outline: The creation of a new 232 metre long Breedon gravel path at Rugby Road recreation ground. £8,695
Rationale: This would take the funding for the Parish over the agreed £22,000 limit. There are also concerns around the ground levels at the site and this is currently under discussion with HBBC and the developer, any award of funding would need to be on condition of receiving agreement from both the Environment Agency and the lead flood authority.
4. Sports Hall replacement – Bosworth Academy (Desford)
Outline: The replacement of the sports hall flooring at Desford Academy. £7,668
Rationale: This is funding for a school sports hall. The primary use would be for the school during school hours although the applicant has stated that use would be available for the wider community out of school hours and at weekends.
5. New Cooker – Norton Institutes Committee (Twycross)
Outline: The purchase of a new cooker for Norton Juxta village hall. £425
Rationale: This is a retrospective application. The cooker has already been purchased.

3.5 The panel recommends rejecting the following application which was considered to wholly comprise of the maintenance of football pitches and therefore not to qualify as a capital scheme.

1. Football pitch reinstatement – Sport in Desford (Desford)
Outline: Grounds improvements, including verti-draining, weed killing, over seeding and fertilising to football pitches at Kirkby Road and Peckleton Lane. £2,730

3.6 Previous Years Applications

There are 4 application totalling £29,128, which were approved in 2018 where the projects have been delayed. These projects will be completed in 2019/20. The projects are:

1. Central Heating System – Earl Shilton Baptist Church (Earl Shilton)
Outline: The installation of a new central heating system at the church to replace the current system which fails regularly. £12,000

2. South Charnwood 3G pitch project – South Charnwood High School (Stanton under Bardon)
Outline: The installation of a new 3G artificial grass pitch for use by the whole community. £12,000
3. New play equipment and new safety surfacing – Markfield Parish Council (Markfield)
Outline: The replacement of 2 old pieces of play equipment and upgrading of the existing safety surfacing. £4,777
4. Athletic equipment and storage – Desford Striders (Desford)
Outline: Sports equipment for the children’s running club and a storage unit to keep it in. £351

4. EXEMPTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACCESS TO INFORMATION PROCEDURE RULES

- 4.1 This report will be taken in open session.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (IB)

- 5.1 The 2019/20 capital programme budget is £275,000. The schemes that have been agreed by the panel total £128,000. SLT have requested to consider a further £22,457 (detailed in 3.4). This will result in a budget remaining of £124,543.
- 5.2 The 2018/19 budget was £165,566 with total expenditure of £116,194. This means the 2018/19 budget was underspent by £49,372. Committed schemes that require a carry forward total £29,128 (detailed in section 3.6). These schemes can be funded from the current estimated underspend in 2019/20. This will result in an allocated budget of £95,415 in 2019/20.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS [FA]

- 6.1 The Council is able to utilise the General Power of Competence under the Localism Act 2011, which provides the Council with the ability to provide financial assistance as set out within this report.

7. CORPORATE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 The Parish & Community Initiative fund supports parishes and community groups to achieve the following aims and objectives of the Corporate Performance Plan:
- Creating a vibrant place to work and live
 - Empowering Communities
 - Providing value for money and pro-active services

8. CONSULTATION

- 8.1 Scrutiny Commission is consulted as part of the decision to agree grant applications.
- 8.2 Parish Councils and other applicants have previously been consulted on this funding scheme.

9. RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 It is the Council's policy to proactively identify and manage significant risks which may prevent delivery of business objectives.
- 9.2 It is not possible to eliminate or manage all risks all of the time and risks will remain which have not been identified. However, it is the officer's opinion based on the information available, that the significant risks associated with this decision / project have been identified, assessed and that controls are in place to manage them effectively.
- 9.3 The following significant risks associated with this report / decisions were identified from this assessment:

Management of significant (Net Red) Risks		
Risk Description	Mitigating actions	Owner
The projects rely on third party delivery and there is therefore a risk that some of the projects may not be delivered	Only projects that are likely to be completed in the following 12 months are recommended for funding	Paul Scragg
Certain projects have conditions attached.	Applicants are required to meet condition, before final grant is awarded.	Paul Scragg
Misuse of funds	Funding for projects is only released once scheme is completed and evidence of completion and payment of the works is received.	Paul Scragg

10. KNOWING YOUR COMMUNITY – EQUALITY AND RURAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 All grants are awarded to the rural areas, and parish council support is sought for each application.
- 10.2 Equalities issues are considered as part of the assessment process.

11. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 By submitting this report, the report author has taken the following into account:
- Community Safety implications
 - Environmental implications
 - ICT implications
 - Asset Management implications
 - Procurement implications
 - Human Resources implications
 - Planning implications
 - Data Protection implications
 - Voluntary Sector

Background papers: Appendix 1 Scoring sheet attached
Appendix 2 Funding per Parish attached

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Name of Scheme	Parish	Max Eligible Grant	Total Scheme Cost	Amount of Grant Applied for	Assessed by	Assessor 1 Score	Assessor 2 Score	Average Score	Assessor Recommendation
Augmentation of bells-St Peter's Church, Thornton	Bagworth & Thornton	£9,091.00	£18,182.00	£9,000.00	SC/PS	44	47	45.5	£9,000
Installation of acoustic panels in new community building	Barlestone	£3,267.50	£6,535.00	£3,921.00	IP/SC	63	62	62.5	£3,267
Hub café kitchen extension	Barlestone	£7,185.30	£14,370.60	£7,185.30	IP/SC	59	53	56	£4,644
Replacement safety surfacing - Kirkby Road Park	Barwell	£4,452.25	£8,904.50	£4,046.25	PS/IP	50	50	50	£4,046
New BMX track (Tween River)	Barwell	£1,525.00	£3,050.00	£1,525.00	PS/IP	44	44	44	£1,525
Replacement handwash dryer for disabled toilets	Barwell	£1,587.59	£3,175.18	£1,587.59	PS/IP	44	44	44	£1,503
Replacement barge boards - cemetery chapel	Barwell	£3,325.00	£6,650.00	£3,990.00	PS/IP	34	34	34	£3,325
Replacement Surfacing Boston Way Park	Barwell	£3,888.75	£7,777.50	£2,899.35	PS/IP	48	48	48	£2,899 see section 3.4 of report
Britannia Road Car Parking	Burbage	£12,000.00	£29,000.00	£12,000.00	IP/SC	40	31	35.5	£12,000 see section 3.4 of report
Rugby Road recreation ground footpath	Burbage	£8,695.36	£17,390.72	£8,675.36	IP/SC	46	53	49.5	£8,695 see section 3.4 of report
Refurbish and upgrade St Catherines Church kitchen	Burbage	£10,238.40	£20,476.80	£12,000.00	IP/SC	61	51	54	£10,238
BCBC Green Mower	Burbage	£2,681.10	£5,362.20	£2,681.10	IP/SC	51	51	51	£2,532
Cadeby - All Saints Church path	Cadeby	£4,393.00	£8,786.00	£4,393.00	PS/IP	46	46	46	£4,393
Cadeby Woodland	Cadeby	£2,317.20	£4,634.40	£1,711.00	PS/IP	51	51	51	£1,716
Carlton Diamond Jubilee orchard seat	Carlton	£533.50	£1,067.00	£533.50	SC/PS	53	41	47	£533
St Martin's Church Centre/Community Hall electrical refurbishment and lighting upgrade	Desford	£2,385.36	£4,770.72	£2,385.36	PS/IP	55	55	55	£2,385
Friends of Desford Primary School catering equipment	Desford	£145.00	£290.00	£145.00	PS/IP	44	44	44	£145
Desford Mining Heritage Scheme	Desford	£522.00	£1,044.00	£522.00	PS/IP	45	45	45	£481
Football pitch refurbishment	Desford	£2,730.00	£5,460.00	£2,730.00	PS/IP	49	49	49	reject
Sports hall floor replacement project	Desford	£18,109.50	£36,219.00	£7,668.00	PS/IP	51	49	50	£7,668 see section 3.4 of report
Maple Way park construction of new metalled footpaths	Earl Shilton	£11,000.00	£22,000.00	£10,000.00	IP/SC	55	55	55	£10,000
Oaklands Way pocket park	Earl Shilton	£6,000.00	£12,000.00	£6,000.00	IP/SC	70		67.5	£5,215

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Beacon Field Footpath	Groby	£2,858.00	£5,716.00	£2,858.00	IP/SC	41	45	43	£2,858
Storage Facility for gardening supplies for allotment plot holders	Groby	£2,473.70	£4,947.40	£2,473.70	IP/SC	38	34	36	£2,473
Orchard Close Allotments	Groby	£7,157.00	£14,314.00	£7,157.00	IP/SC	33	33	36.5	£7,010
Purchase of a portable vehicle activated speed indicator device	Market Bosworth	£1,787.50	£3,575.00	£1,787.50	SC/PS	49	51	50	£1,245
Waterside Mede Play Area enhancement	Market Bosworth	£2,446.20	£4,892.40	£1,935.13	SC/PS	65	56	60.5	£1,935
New Men's Toilets	Newbold Verdon	£1,449.15	£2,898.30	£1,449.00	PS/IP	45	45	45	£1,449
Village Hall windows	Peckleton	£4,924.00	£9,848.00	£4,924.00	SC/PS	52	50	51	£4,924
New bench	Peckleton	£355.00	£710.00	£420.00	SC/PS	33	35	34	£355
Provision of vehicle activated speed sign	Peckleton	£1,947.45	£3,894.89	£1,947.44	SC/PS	46	48	47	£1,947
Provision of new noticeboards in peckleton, Kirkby Mallory & Stapleton	Peckleton	£3,037.50	£6,075.00	£3,037.50	SC/PS	44	42	43	£3,037
New benches	Peckleton	£476.69	£953.38	£560.03	SC/PS	39	40	39.5	£476
Outdoor Gym Equipment - Sheepy Playing Fields	Sheepy	£8,592.43	£17,184.86	£8,592.43	IP/SC	66	72	69	£8,592
All Saints ceiling renovation	Sheepy	£3,000.00	£6,000.00	£3,000.00	IP/SC	45	36	40.5	£3,000
Renovation of side elevation of church building	Stanton-under-Bardon	£2,762.50	£5,525.00	£2,762.50	PS/IP	37	37	37	£2,762
Lighting improvement to northwest corner of church	Stoke Golding	£519.08	£1,038.15	£519.00	IP/SC	61	44	52.5	£519
Resurfacing of main entrance & car parking area - St James Church	Sutton Cheney	£2,095.00	£4,190.00	£2,095.00	SC/PS	47	45	46	£2,095
Traffic calming measures	Sutton Cheney	£2,856.48	£5,712.96	£3,427.78	SC/PS	60	60	60	£2,856
Streetlight Improvement Scheme	Sutton Cheney	£6,079.18	£12,158.35	£7,295.01	PS/IP	47	48	47.5	£6,079
New emergency door on the kitchen	Twycross	£210.00	£420.00	£210.00	SC/PS	54	55	54.5	£210
Norton Juxta Twycross Village Hall - New Cooker	Twycross	£425.00	£850.00	£425.00	SC/PS	37	37	37	£425 See section 3.4 of report

Appendix 2

PARISH	TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED TO PARISH 2005 -2019	GRANT PER PERSON over 14 yrs	GRANT PER YEAR
Bagworth & Thornton	£80,228.00	£29.60	£5,730.57
Barlestone	£93,195.00	£37.26	£6,656.79
Barwell	£93,327.00	£10.09	£6,666.21
Burbage	£146,152.00	£9.67	£10,439.43
Cadeby	£32,499.00	£157.76	£2,321.36
Carlton	£9,326.00	£23.49	£666.14
Desford	£58,195.00	£13.94	£4,156.79
Earl Shilton	£105,611.00	£9.98	£7,543.64
Groby	£88,237.00	£11.96	£6,302.64
Higham on the Hill	£10,293.00	£11.59	£735.21
Market Bosworth	£66,407.00	£30.27	£4,743.36
Markfield	£67,297.00	£15.81	£4,806.93
Nailstone	£15,487.25	£28.52	£1,106.23
Newbold Verdon	£35,737.00	£10.83	£2,552.64
Osbaston	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Peckleton	£58,457.00	£54.13	£4,175.50
Ratby	£62,431.00	£13.34	£4,459.36
Shackerstone	£32,000.00	£34.59	£2,285.71
Sheepy	£60,724.95	£49.94	£4,337.50
Stanton under Bardon	£68,950.00	£83.88	£4,925.00
Stoke Golding	£56,922.00	£31.24	£4,065.86
Sutton Cheney	£47,097.75	£85.48	£3,364.13
Twycross	£49,270.00	£60.23	£3,519.29
Witherley	£30,755.00	£22.13	£2,196.79

TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED TO PARISH 2005 -2019



