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CABINET
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APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO SPEND
RE-PROVISION OF DAMAGED EQUIPMENT AT THE FORMER STADIUM SITE
AND HAYES WAY PLAY AREAS

1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To seek Cabinet approval for permission to spend in relation to the proposals to replace play equipment damaged by two unrelated arson attacks at the former Stadium site and Hayes Way play areas.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That Cabinet approves permission to spend £36,500 to replace and install damaged play equipment at the two play areas located at the former Stadium Site and Hayes Way.

3 Key Issues and Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 As Members will be aware on 3rd October 2015 and 21st November 2015 two items of play equipment were damaged beyond repair by two unrelated arson attacks at the former Stadium and Hayes Way.
- 3.2 The type and extent of the damage caused by these two attacks was unprecedented, the likes of which have not been seen by the Council previously in any of its 42 play areas across the district.
- 3.3 Quotes have been obtained from the two play equipment manufacturers and installers to install and replace the equipment either like for like or similar in design and provisional arrangements made, subject to approval for the permission to spend, to install the equipment before the end of this financial year.

- 3.4 The cost is £17,000 for the Stadium site and £19,500 for Hayes Way and can be met from the Playground Refurbishment Budget contained within the approved Capital Programme.

4 Relationship to Corporate Priorities

- 4.1 The Council's mission is "Leading our community to deliver better jobs and skills, more and better housing, cleaner and safer environments and better health outcomes"

Spaces and facilities to play make a significant contribution to communities providing opportunities for children and young people to enjoy active and healthy lifestyles (Better Health Outcomes), providing diversionary activities and making places more pleasant and attractive for all who live and work in the district. (Cleaner and safer environments).

5 Report Detail

- 5.1 All relevant details are outlined in Section 3 of this report.

6 Implications

6.1 Financial

- 6.1.1 An amount of 36,500 to fully fund the scheme can be accommodated within the approved Capital Programme by utilising the existing provision for Play Area Refurbishment. Provision of £50,000 exists within the current 2015-16 programme and in order that this refurbishment programme can be completed the draft budget elsewhere on the budget provides for an additional £50,000 for 2016-17.

6.2 Legal

- 6.2.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report

6.3 Human Resources

- 6.3.1 There are no identified human resource implications arising from this report.

6.4 Section 17 (Crime Prevention)

- 6.4.1 There are no identified implications arising from this report.

6.5 Human Rights Act

6.5.1 There are no identified implications in respect of the Human Rights Act 1998 arising from this report.

6.6 Data Protection

6.6.1 There are no identified Data Protection implications arising from this report.

6.7 Risk Management

6.7.1 The Council's current risk assessment and management processes would continue to apply to the new equipment proposed at the two sites.

6.8 Equality & Diversity

6.8.1 There are no identified implications as result of this report.

6.9 Best Value

6.9.1 Quotes have been obtained to replace and install the damaged equipment.

7 Appendices to the Report

None

Previous Consideration

Background Papers