
Report To: Environment and Regeneration Committee **Date: 30 April 2015**

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**Subject: Environmental and Commercial Services (Roads) – SUSTRANS Grant
Funded Projects (2015/16)**

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Committee of the SUSTRANS Grant Funded Projects expected to be approved by SUSTRANS on 17 April 2015.

1.2 The projects expected to be approved in 1.1 above are as detailed below:

R21 Cycle track construction – Coronation Park, PG to Newark Castle Park

R21 Feasibility Study – Newark Castle Park to Parklea

2.0 SUMMARY

2.1 Proposed SUSTRANS grant funded projects for Environmental and Commercial Services (Roads) are as detailed in 5.1 below and are valued at £60,000. The grant funding is awarded on the basis of match funding from either Inverclyde Council or other Agencies.

2.2 Payment of the funding will be by grant made in arrears on the basis of evidenced expenditure.

2.3 The SUSTRANS Board sits on 17 April 2015 to approve the allocation of (1) £40,000 for the construction of the R21 cycle track from Coronation Park to Newark Castle Park; (2) £20,000 for the feasibility study for the R21 cycle track form Newark Castle Park to Parklea.

Match finding for (1) above will be provided by SPT

Match funding for (2) above will be provided by Inverclyde Council

These projects will be executed by the Council on behalf of SUSTRANS.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 That Committee note and approve the project list for SUSTRANS approval detailed below in 5.1 for 2015/16.

3.2 That Committee note the investment by SUSTRANS for (1) £40,000 for the construction of the R21 cycle track from Coronation Park to Newark Castle Park; (2) £20,000 for the feasibility study for the R21 cycle track form Newark Castle Park to Parklea.

4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 At its Board meeting on 17 April 2015 the Sustrans Board sits to approve grant funding for projects as detailed in 5.1 below.

4.2 The projects submitted for Sustrans approval are:

1. R21 Cycle track construction – Coronation Park, PG to Newark Castle Park
2. R21 Feasibility Study – Newark Castle Park to Parklea

4.3 The above projects embrace the policies of the Local Transport Strategy. In particular Policies Pwalk1, Pwalk3, Pwalk6, Pwalk8 and Pwalk9 support 1 & 2 above. Policies Pc1, Pc4, Pc5 and Pc9 also support 1& 2 above.

4.4 The proposed funding for the above programme:

- (i) total Sustrans grant (2015/16) £60,000

4.5 All costs have been compiled on the basis of assessed unit costs and not on priced bills of quantities which will be prepared when the programme has been approved.

5.0 PROPOSALS

5.1 Proposed Sustrans Grant Funded projects for 2015/16

Category 1 Projects	2015/16
R21 Cycle track construction – Coronation Park, PG to Newark Castle Park	
Estimated Cost of Project	£40,000
R21 Feasibility Study – Newark Castle Park to Parklea	
Estimated Cost of Project	£20,000

Total Estimated Cost of Category 1 Projects £60,000

5.2 The above projects will be managed, supervised and, where appropriate, constructed by Environmental and Commercial Services (Roads).

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

6.1 It is proposed that all costs associated with the grant funded programme of projects will be contained within the approved budget allocation.

Financial Implications – One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Year	Proposed spend this report	Virement from	Other comments
Roads Capital Programme	Sustrans Grant Funding		£60,000	n/a	Payment of the funding will be by grant made in arrears based on expenditure.
Capital Grant	Sustrans		(£60,000)	n/a	

	Grant Income				
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Annually Recurring Costs/Savings

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Nett Impact	Virement from (if Applicable)	Other Comments
Roads Revenue	Roads revenue maintenance	2015/16	£3,000		To be contained within existing Revenue budget

6.2 Legal

There are no legal implications associated with this report.

6.3 Human Resources

There are no Human Resource issues associated with this report

6.4 Equalities

The ongoing development of the cycle network throughout Inverclyde will provide both recreational and health benefits to all groups across the social spectrum.

6.5 Repopulation

The further development of the National Cycle Route also provides an excellent recreational outlet for families and will contribute to the overall appeal for those considering relocating to the area.

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 The Chief Financial Officer has been consulted on this report.

7.2 The Head of Legal and Property Services has been consulted on this report.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None.