



CABINET: 12 March 2019

Report of: Director of Leisure and Environment

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SUBJECT: USE OF SECTION 106 MONIES IN THE PARISH OF TARLETON

Wards affected: Tarleton ward

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To consider a proposal regarding the use of Section 106 (S106) monies for the enhancement of public open space provision in the Parish of Tarleton.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 That S106 monies be approved for use as outlined at 5.1, to enable an extension of Carr Lane Sports Pavilion, Tarleton.

3.0 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Under policy EN3 of the West Lancashire Local Plan 2012-2027, developers must provide open space facilities as part of housing developments. Where developments are less than 20 dwellings or on sites where it is not reasonable to expect a development to provide on-site facilities, and where there is a deficiency of open space, the Council can require a commuted sum for the provision of new or the enhancement of existing areas of public open space within its area.
- 3.2 An Officer working group was established in February 2011 to co-ordinate the receipt of S106 commuted sums and report to Cabinet on the use of the funding. A function of this group is to establish levels of uncommitted S106 funds across all wards and liaise with Ward Members and Parish Councils as to how this

funding could be best utilised in line with the requirements of the S106 agreements.

4.0 CURRENT POSITION

- 4.1 The funding from a particular development can only be used in accordance with the terms of the related S106 agreement. The Council currently has unallocated monies from the S106 agreements from Mayo Drive (£15,050), land south east of Carr Heyes Lane (£11,045), and Carr Heyes Lane (£4,418).
- 4.2 Following consultation with Ward Members and Tarleton Parish Council there is one new proposal being made for Tarleton ward.

5.0 PROPOSALS

- 5.1 Tarleton Parish Council have bid for £30,513 of S106 funding. The funding is sought to facilitate an extension to the sports pavilion at Carr Lane Recreation Ground. The extension will provide additional storage space for equipment used on the recreation ground and will allow the Parish Council to remove shipping containers which are currently used for this purpose.
- 5.2 This proposed new facility will be of great benefit to the wide range of local community sports clubs that use the facility, it will allow changing facilities currently used for storage to be brought back into their intended use, the range of activities undertaken at the site to be extended, and will also enhance the appearance of the site in general by the removal of the storage containers.
- 5.3 This project fulfils the criteria from all the S106 agreements involved to enhance or improve the existing public open space.
- 5.4 The Parish Council has already gained planning consent for this building extension.

6.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 These improvements will contribute towards making Carr Lane Recreation Ground a more attractive, accessible and enjoyable place to visit for the residents of the Parish of Tarleton.

7.0 FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 This project has a total cost of £60,000. The bid from Tarleton Parish Council is for up to £30,513 from S106 funds, which can be made available from the allocations received from the development of Mayo Drive (£15,050), land south east of Carr Heyes Lane (£11,045), and Carr Heyes Lane (£4,418). The remaining funds required for the project will be provided by the Parish Council (£10,000), and contributions from sports clubs currently using the facility (£19,487).

8.0 RISK ASSESSMENT

- 8.1 Implementation of these improvements will be a great asset to the local community but will have to be maintained effectively to continue that benefit. Tarleton Parish Council is fully capable of undertaking this function, and has managed the existing sports pavilion efficiently for many years.
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Background Documents

There are no background documents (as defined in Section 100D(5) of the Local Government Act 1972) to this Report.

Equality Impact Assessment

There is a direct impact on members of the public, employees, elected members and / or stakeholders. Therefore an Equality Impact Assessment is required. A formal equality impact assessment is attached as an Appendix to this report, the results of which have been taken into account in the Recommendations contained within this report.

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Carr Lane Recreation Ground, Tarleton – Site Plan
Appendix 2 – Equality Impact Assessment