

LATE ITEMS

ROCHDALE NORTH TOWNSHIP FUNDS 2021/22

Rochdale North Township Capital Fund 2021/22 - Proposed projects for decision					
Ref	Name of Project	Ward	Fund Criteria & Priorities Met	Request Originator	Cost
TC/13/21	Elmsfield Avenue vehicle activated speed sign	Norden	Yes Place	Ward Councillors	£3,562.72
<b>Project Description</b>	Supply and installation of a vehicle activated speed sign with solar panel on Elmsfield Avenue, Norden to improve road and public safety by raising drivers speed awareness. Drivers will be provided with a real time message of their speed as they approach the sign and when they exceed a pre-set threshold limit, the sign will display a sad/smiley face in amber LEDs to prompt them to reduce their speed. (Project brief at Appendix 5A)				
<b>Risk implication/ Alternatives considered</b>	Availability and increase in cost of specified vehicle activated speed sign.				
TC/14/21	Dell Road resurfacing	Healey	No	Councillor Heakin	£19,276.11
<b>Project Description</b>	Resurfacing of unadopted Dell Road outside the frontages of cottages/residential properties to allow better access to both pedestrians and vehicles. (Project brief at Appendix 5B)				
<b>Risk implication/ Alternatives considered</b>	<p>Rochdale Township Fund's terms and conditions, under items that may not be funded, state repairing unadopted roads. Dell Road is unadopted highway and there is a risk that the future maintenance will become the responsibility of Rochdale Borough Council if this scheme is implemented. If the road has significantly further degraded this may change the cost of the works.</p> <p>It is not the Council's responsibility to repair and maintain this or any other unadopted road, the Council only being liable for maintaining adopted Highways. There are provisions for maintenance within Highways legislation placing responsibility on the owners whose properties front on to the stretch of unadopted road requiring repair. Ownership of all interests fronting Dell Road have been established via the Land Register and it is they who are responsible for its maintenance. If the Council was to maintain this portion of road, it would make itself very vulnerable for all future maintenance liability for the road, for which there is no budget. Given the provisions of Highway legislation there is little to justify maintenance of this road by the Council in what is a predominantly rural setting with limited vehicular traffic. If authorised it sets a dangerous precedent for claims for maintenance by the Council of other unadopted roads in the borough which are in a similarly poor condition and of which there are many.</p>				
TC/15/21	Spotland Old Kick Pitch lights	Spotland & Falinge	Yes Place	Ward Councillors	£2,155.80
<b>Project Description</b>	Supply and installation of new LED low energy floodlights and electrical connections at the bases of the four columns to improve the lighting at Spotland Old Kick Pitch to enhance the facilities for the local community. New lighting will improve electrical safety, reduce energy consumption and CO2 emissions. (Project brief at Appendix 5C)				
<b>Risk implication/ Alternatives considered</b>	Availability and increase in costs of equipment. Unforeseen electrical or mechanical faults.				

Rochdale North Township Projects Fund 2021/22 - Proposed project for decision					
Ref	Name of Project	Ward	Fund Criteria & Priorities Met	Request Originator	Cost
RP/10/21	Subways handrails repaint	Central Rochdale	Yes Place	Councillor Rana	£2,202
<b>Project Description</b>	Repaint the steel handrails (length 130m) located in the three interlinked subways in the area around Mardyke Flats, (Spotland Road, College Bank East and College Bank West subways). The handrails that assist the public along the steeper lengths of the subways have weathered over time and show signs of extensive rust. Works will involve the light abrade of the handrails and brackets and removal of dirt and grease before the application of Hammerite Ultima Matt white paint. (Project brief at Appendix 5D)				
<b>Risk implication/ Alternatives considered</b>	Estimate may change if elements of the handrails are found to be inadequately fixed to the walls or ground and consideration may have to be given to replacing any defective fixings. Also if the extent of the rusting on the handrails in areas is so severe that painting is not a viable solution.				