

RECORD OF INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE DECISION MADE BY AN OFFICER

Decision Maker	Decision Type	Date
Carol Brown	Administrative Decision	20/07/2018

Improvements to Afghan Street Park, Derker

Exempt		No
Key Decision ¹		No

Decision (s) ²

To carry out improvements to and to support the ongoing future maintenance of Afghan Street Park public open space using resources secured from Keepmoat Ltd via a funding agreement dated 10/07/2018.

Reasons for the decision(s)³

As part of the development at Churchill Gardens by Keepmoat Homes, Afghan Park has been re-shaped with an area added to the original park and homes built on another part. This resulted in a better designed and located area of open space fronting onto London Road. Keepmoat completed the setting out of the park and provided top soil, however the works were not completed. Keepmoat's budget for the remaining completion works is £19,136. Due to the economies of scale and efficiencies provided by the council's parks team, it was agreed that this budget could be used more effectively and provide a better and more extensive specification of works if the council completed this work. As such it has been agreed with Keepmoat homes that they will pay the council a one off payment of £19,136 to complete the works to Afghan Park. This payment has been formalised into a funding agreement signed on 10th July 2018.

¹ If the decision is Key Please use Key Decision Template.

² Brief details of the decision should be inserted. This note must set out the substance of the decision, options considered and the reason for deciding on the chosen option, although care must be taken not to disclose any confidential or exempt information. Please include proposed timescales for commencement and / or completion of implementation as appropriate.

³ Reasons for the decision must be given.



The scheme by Environmental Services will see the area of POS at Afghan Street Park improved with the removal and disposal of overgrown shrubs, additional of topsoil to level off the area, seeding and installation of a path. Consultation with local ward members agreed that a tarmac path would be the best solution as this would have lesser maintenance implications than a crushed stone path. The scheme has been costed at £13,484 to implement by the Council itself, and the balance of £5,516 would be set aside to support the ongoing future maintenance of the improved site at £1,103 per annum.

Options/Alternatives considered ⁴

Do nothing: the council has entered into a legal agreement with Keepmoat to secure these improvements to Afghan Street Park. By not implementing the scheme, the Council would not fulfil their part of the agreement.

Different options for the type of path were considered which consisted of crushed stone or tarmac. The preferred option was tarmac as this is more durable and has lower maintenance implications in the longer term.

Conflict of Interest declared⁵

None

(Signature of Director Environmental Management)

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Decision made pursuant to:

- a) General delegation under the Council's officer scheme of delegation. Non-contract decisions up to £250k.**

⁴ Options must be given.

⁵ If none, please state none. No Member having a disclosable pecuniary interest or officer having an interest in any matter (whether pecuniary or otherwise required to be declared) should take a decision in relation to that matter. Other interests of a non-disqualifying nature should be recorded here. Any dispensation in place in relation to the matter should also be recorded here. This may include other elected Members, officers, stakeholders and the local community.