

DELEGATED REPORT

Proposal to allocate Section 106 resources from DB 158 - Land off Hunt Lane, Chadderton (PA/52745 & 52777) for footway/cycleway enhancements at Hunt Lane, Chadderton

Report of Executive Director, Neighbourhoods

12 April 2013

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Purpose of Report

To seek approval for the allocation of resources secured through Section 106 planning obligations to fund footway/cycleway enhancements at Hunt Lane, Chadderton

Recommendations

To approve the allocation of £50,712.61 Section 106 resources from DB 158 - Land off Hunt Lane, Chadderton (PA/52745 & 52777) to Environmental Services for the purposes of footway/cycleway enhancements at Hunt Lane, Chadderton.

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1 Background

- 1.1 Planning permission for the development at Land off Hunt Lane, Chadderton (PA/52745 & 52777) was granted subject to the developer first entering into a Section 106 planning obligation. This obligation was signed on 01/03/2004, whereby the developer was required to pay £50,000 to enhance footpath and cycleway link to west. This was paid in two installments and the final payment was made 25/06/2008. The Council has until 25/06/2013 to spend or commit to spend the contribution or return to the developer plus interest. With interest the total funding available is £50,712.61.

2 Project Details

- 2.1 This scheme is part of a much wider long term project to create a linear park along the corridor of the the former disused railway between the Rochdale Canal and Werneth Metrolink Stop. The linear park will be used to form part of a National Cycle Network link between Rochdale Canal towpath (NCN Route 66) and Oldham town centre.
- 2.1 The details of this element of the project is to carry out footway/cycleway enhancements to a section of this route. Ferney Field cycle track/path, off Hunt Lane in Chadderton is a cycle track/path which runs between the Rochdale Canal and Hunt Lane and the section to be enhanced is to the rear of 27 Ferneyfield Road to Hunt Lane (See location plan at appendix) 1. Detailed drawings of the scheme are at Appendix 2 - 4.
- 2.2 The cycleway will be widened and resurfaced along with improvements to the footpaths to create suitable year round access with surfaces that are free draining, free of undulations and/or steps.
- 2.3 Sections of shared footpath/cycleways and junction areas will be widened with higher quality surface treatments allowing for increased foot/cycle traffic. Vegetation is to be cleared approximately 2 metres from the edges of the paths to improve access and increase sightlines. Access controls will prohibit restricted vehicles at entrance points.
- 2.4 There will be a stepped and ramped access to the widened path section from Hunt Lane, and a local sandstone wall built to create a formal and easily identifiable entrance to the cycleway/footpath network. Ground modelling of excavated spoil will be used to create undulations and mounds adjacent to the cycleway.
- 2.5 The costs have been provided by the Council's Highway's Maintenance and Arboriculture Teams, who will carry the works in house, in accordance with the Councils Contract Procedure Rules. It is anticipated that the works can commence following a one week lead in time, following approval of funding. It

is imperative that these works can be carried out quickly given that the funding must be spent or committed to be spent by 25/06/2013, or be returned to the developer.

3.0 Estimated Costs

Item	Amount
Clearance and Tree Works- Arbour	£ 1,500.00
Demolition and Excavation - Highways	£ 2,169.09
Kerbing, Footways, Paved Areas and Pavements - Highways	£ 28,093.34
Brickwork, Blockwork and Stonework, fencing and Environmental Barriers - Highways	£ 10,921.51
Sub total	£ 42,683.94
Contingency	£ 1,028.67
Fees	£ 7,000.00
Total	£ 50,712.61

4.0 Proposed Funding

Source	Amount
DB 158 - Land off Hunt Lane, Chadderton (PA/52745 & 52777)	£ 50,712.61
Total	£ 50,712.61

3 Options/Alternatives

3.1 Do nothing would mean that the legal requirements of the S106 would not be met and the £50 712.61 commuted sum paid would have to be returned to the developer. The Council has until 25/06/2013 to spend or commit to spend the contribution or return to the developer plus interest.

4 Preferred Option

4.1 The preferred option is to allocate the £ 50,712.61 S106 funding from DB158` to Environmental Services to implement Footway/Cycleway enhancements at Hunt Lane, in accordance with the terms of the S106 agreement.

5 Consultation

5.1 The route is designated as both a footpath and cycle track. Consultations for the linear park have taken place with representatives from both user groups, namely the Ramblers Association and local organisations that attend the Oldham Cycling Forum.

5.2 The route is also identified on the Oldham Cycle Network master plan which has gone out to general consultation with organisations and the public.

5.3 Consultation has taken place with Sustrans and this has concluded that the linear park be used to form part of a National Cycle Network link between Rochdale Canal towpath (NCN Route 66) and Oldham town centre.
(Paul Bruffell)

6 Financial Implications

6.1 Summary

	Budget 2013/14 £	Report Implications £
Capital		
Cost of works	-	50,713
Financed by:		
S106 DB 158 - Land off Hunt Lane, Chadderton	-	(50,713)
Total Capital	-	-
Revenue		
Additional maintenance costs minimal and to be met within existing resources	-	-
Total Revenue	-	-

6.2 Capital

£50,712.61 of Section 106 funding has been identified to fund works to the footway/cycleway at Hunt Lane in Chadderton. The works are estimated to cost £50,712.61 and include a contingency of £1,028.67.

6.3 Revenue

Environmental Services are responsible for the maintenance of the footway/cycleway at Hunt Lane. The works are expected to have minimal repair and maintenance cost going forward. Any additional costs as a result of the works will need to be met from within the Environmental Services budget.

(Jenny Large / Sadrul Alam)

- 7 **Legal Services Comments**
7.1 The proposals are an appropriate use of the section 106 funding. (A Evans)
8. **Cooperative Agenda**
8.1 There are no co-operative issues or opportunities arising and the proposals are in line with the Council's Ethical Framework.
- 9 **Human Resources Comments**
9.1 Not applicable.
- 10 **Risk Assessments**
10.1 Not applicable.
- 11 **IT Implications**
11.1 Not applicable.
- 12 **Property Implications**
12.1 Asset 2097 is in Council ownership and is a naturalised linear path including footpath/cycleway and is well used. The improvements identified in this report will enhance the facility and improve the area. (Tracey Elliott)
- 13 **Procurement Implications**
13.1 The works will be carried out in accordance with the Councils Contract Procedure Rules, where an in-house service, existing Contract or Framework Agreement is available to meet the procurement requirement they must be used.
- 14 **Environmental and Health & Safety Implications**
14.1 The enhancements will have a positive impact for all users. It will improve user safety and help to increase the use of the cycle way/path thus helping to promote sustainable modes of transport.
- 15 **Equality, community cohesion and crime implications**
15.1 Ferneyfield cycle track/path is accessible to all, and the improvements to this section off Hunt Lane will improve the use of this route as a whole.
- 16 **Equality Impact Assessment Completed?**
16.1 No
- 17 **Key Decision**
17.1 No
- 18 **Forward Plan Reference**
18.1 Not applicable.
- 19 **Background Papers**
19.1 The following is a list of background papers on which this report is based in accordance with the requirements of Section 100(1) of the Local Government

Act 1972. It does not include documents which would disclose exempt or confidential information as defined by the Act :

File Ref : DB 158

Name of File : Land off Hunt Lane, Chadderton (PA/52745 & 52777


Records held in Neighbourhoods Directorate, Room 310, Civic Centre

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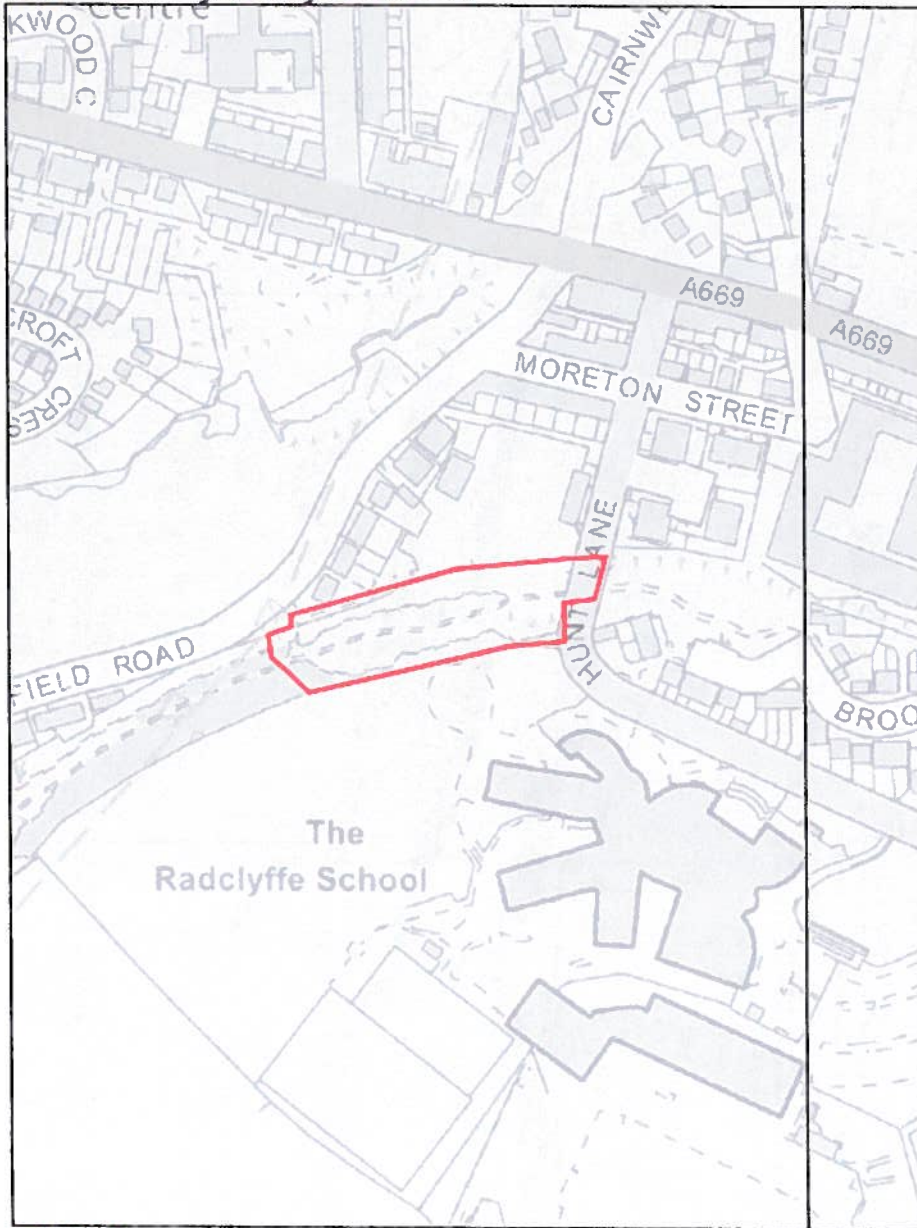
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20 Appendices

20.1 [All appendices for the report should be listed]

Signed _____ Cabinet Member [specify whom]	Dated _____
Signed  Executive Director	Dated 01.05.13

Hunt Lane Cycleway Section A



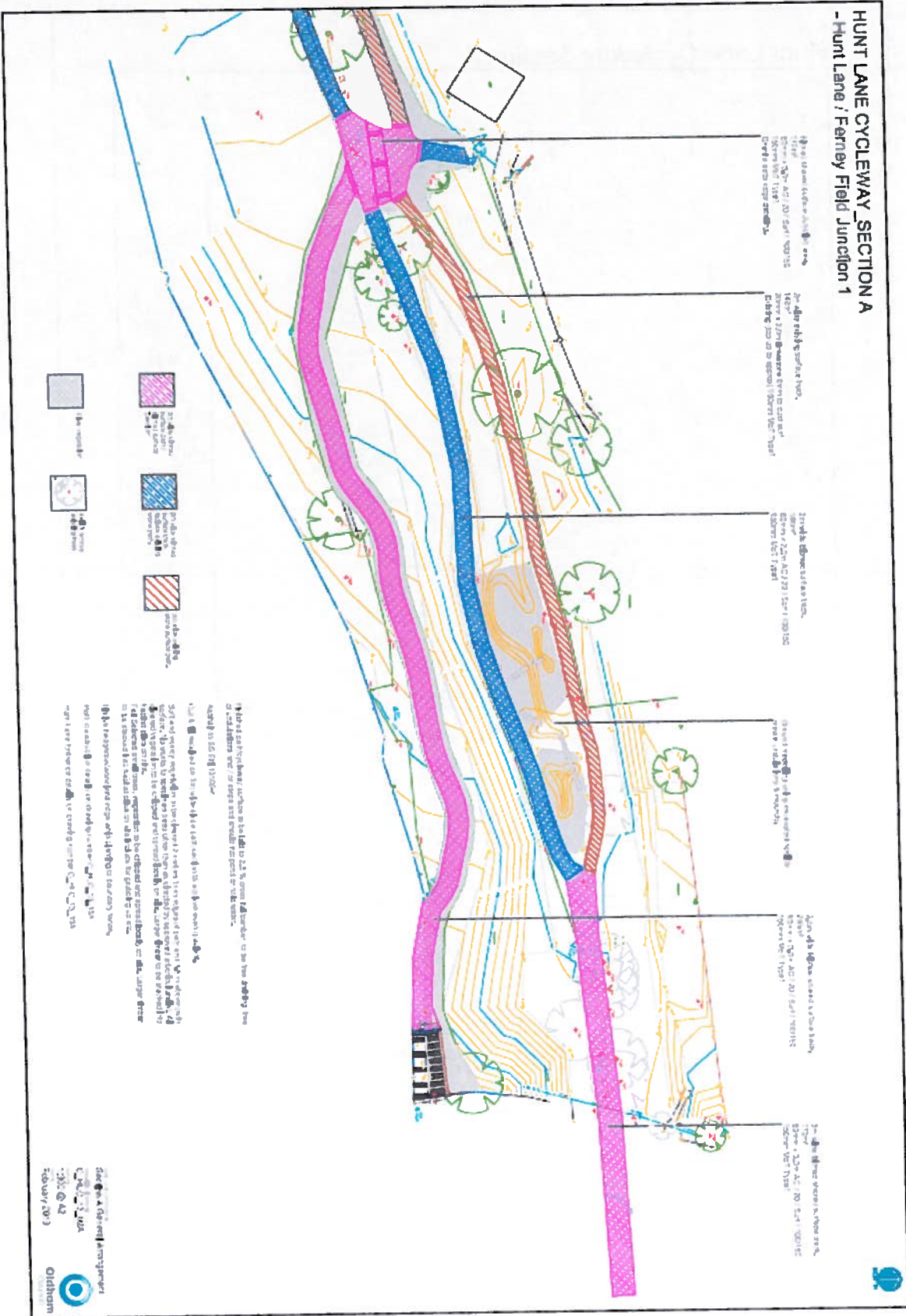
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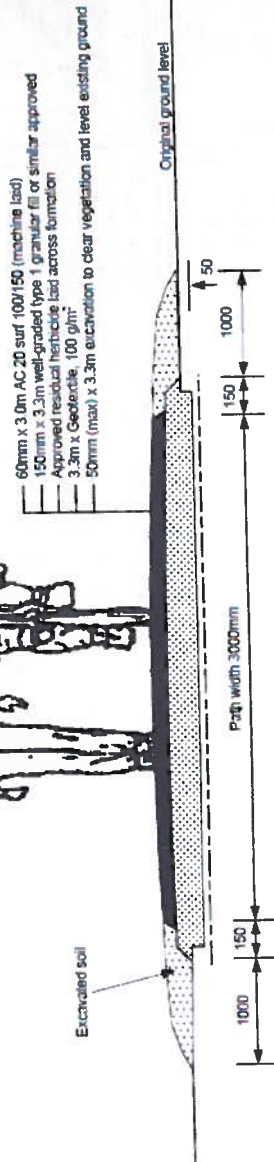
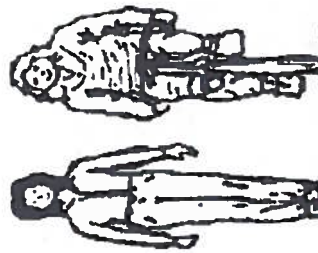




Appendix 4

Notes:

1. Centre line of path is as indicated on General Arrangement Plans
2. Soft and woody vegetation to be cleared 2 metres from edges of path and 3.5 m above path surface. No works to specimen trees other than as directed by approved arboriculturalist.
3. All cleared vegetation to be chipped and spread locally on site. Larger timber to be supplied to land owner if required or stacked into habitat piles on site.
4. Excavation to level existing track to be kept to a minimum. Arisings to be temporarily stored for subsequent use as support to edges of path. Excess spoil to be spread locally on site.
5. Finished surface to be laid to 2.5 % cross fall/camber, to be free draining, free of undulations and / or steps and should not pond or hold water.
6. This drawing to be read in conjunction with all other drawings.
7. Asphalt to BS EN 13108-1



Standard DBM path cross section

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Standard detail
 Project: **National Cycle Network**

Title: **Standard DBM path cross section**
 Drawn and designed by: **CHE** Checked by: **GE**
 Scale: **Not to scale**

Drawing No: **SD/01** Revision: **B**