

NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

**COALVILLE SPECIAL EXPENSES WORKING PARTY –
TUESDAY, 14 JUNE 2022**



Title of Report	CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE
Presented by	Jason Knight Leisure Services Team Manager
Background Papers	None
Financial Implications	As contained within the report, this is providing the committee with an update on existing projects that already have an approved budget or funding in place. Therefore, there are no financial implications to consider. Signed off by the Section 151 Officer: Yes
Legal Implications	None identified Signed off by the Monitoring Officer: Yes
Staffing and Corporate Implications	None identified Signed off by the Head of Paid Service: Yes
Purpose of Report	To update members with regards to capital projects within the Coalville Special Expenses Area
Recommendations	THE WORKING PARTY NOTES THE PROGRESS UPDATE ON THE 2022/23 CAPITAL PROJECTS

1.0 2022/23 CAPITAL PROJECTS

1.1 Thringstone Miners Social Centre Training Pitch – £7,431

Work continues over the summer to ensure the Football Association Ground grading requirements are met to enable Ingles FC to play competitively at step 6 of the football pyramid for the 2022/23 season. Once completed priority will be given to securing funding for and delivering the training pitch.

1.2 Coalville Park – £36,026 S106 funding and £1,200 CSE funding

1.2.1 Community Garden

The Friends of Coalville Park have engaged the Gardenerados who have expressed an interest in maintaining the community garden. The Gardenerados are part of Coalville Camerados, who are part of an international group aiming to help and support people through tough times by 'looking out for each other'. Representatives from the group attended the Friends meeting on 19 May and outlined their plans for the area, which included having a dedicated gardener to look after it, engagement with community and school groups to support education and health and wellbeing, and a drop in area to support people suffering with issues such as social isolation,

mental health, or if they just want someone to talk to. This item will now be removed from future reports.

1.2.2 Skate Park Graffiti Project - £1,200

Consultation for this project took place at the Queens Platinum Jubilee event in Coalville Park over the 4-5 June 2022.

1.3 Lillehammer Drive - £4,223

The legal representatives of Barratt's have executed the legal documents which are now being executed by the council and LCC. When completed, the planning application for the change of use will be submitted and, if approved, the prepared lease will also be completed and Belvoirdale School will take over the management of the area.

1.4 Coalville in Bloom 2022 £7,306

Planters and baskets for Coalville in Bloom 2022 are currently being put in situ. At the time of writing the report, nine businesses in the High Street, Hotel Street, and Memorial Square area of the town have requested a hanging basket, which is one more than the eight that participated in 2021.

Members do need to be aware that the budget and scheme for 2023 will need to be refined further to be delivered within the budget of £5,000 unless additional funding can be secured.

1.5 CSE Assets

The Asset Management Plan approved as part of the 2022/23 budget setting process is attached as Appendix A.

1.5.1 Asset Management 2022/23

As per the Asset Management Plan (attached as Appendix 1), the following works are planned to be delivered in 2022/23;

Scotlands Bowls Pavilion - £11,010

Upgrade of storage and water heaters, refurbishment of external cladding, repair of potholes on the access road, and the replacement of the doors to the store. This work will commence later in the year.

Thringstone Bowls Pavilion - £20,000

Permanent roof repairs following the structural survey undertaken in 2020. This work has commenced with both remedial options and quotes being obtained.

London Road Cemetery - £1,900

Tree works. This work will commence later in the year.

Broomleys Cemetery - £7,000

Tree and path works. Quotes are being obtained for path works and these will be completed by the autumn. The tree works will commence later in the year.

Ascot Drive Play Area - £7,700

Replacement of the fencing. This work will commence later in the year.

Claremont Drive Play Area - £8,520, Cropston Drive Play Area - £33,050, and Sharpley Avenue Play Area - £17,530

Consideration is being given to alternative options that can be undertaken at the play area so that the equipment doesn't have to be replaced and a saving can be applied

to the Coalville Special Expenses budget. The ward member has been engaged and wider consultation is in the process of being undertaken with residents to understand their views. No decision on any changes will be taken without approval from the ward member and members of the working party will be kept abreast of progress.

1.5.2 **Scotlands Bowls Pavilion**

The council has recently agreed a new licence to the bowls club for this site, based on a revised land area which will support their growth aspirations. A specification for the next phase of works is being developed which it is hoped will also include solar panel installations subject to the £2,500 being secured from the Bardon Community Fund.

1.6 **Trees in Coalville**

Following a request from members at the last meeting of the Working Party, officers have engaged colleagues in LCC who have confirmed that they are willing to plant additional trees on highway verges in the Coalville area. Their intention is to plant in the following locations;

- Meadow Lane
- Abbots Oak Drive
- Blackwood

Unfortunately, due to underground constraints, no further trees can be planted on Cropston Drive.

1.7 **Bardon Road Verge Improvements - £12,000**

Whilst provisional designs have been developed, these are having to be reviewed because of tree planting issues caused by underground constraints. This work will progress further on the appointment of a Parks and Open Spaces Development Officer.

1.8 **London Road Cemetery Wall - £45,000**

Property Services are leading on this project and are in the process of procuring a contractor and obtaining the necessary planning approvals to allow the work to be undertaken. Approval is also being sought from LCC Highways to allow for partial closure of the footpath and bus stop for the duration of the works. There have also been issues highlighted with trees in the churchyard adjacent to the wall which would need to be removed as failure to do so would jeopardise the resilience of the new structure due to their roots. The intention is to plant new trees in the churchyard to offset this loss. It is anticipated the work will be completed by autumn.