

Decision under Delegated Powers

Officer Making the Decision

Head of Cleansing and Open Spaces

Recommendation

That the sum of £612.53 of section 106 monies that has been received as a contribution towards the provision of additional children's play is paid to Barrow upon Soar Library (BUSCA) to build a buggy park.

Reason

To enable section 106 monies that has been received for the provision of children's / young people's play in Barrow upon Soar to be spent.

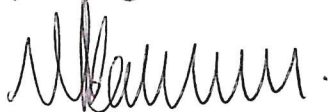
Authority for Decision

Authority to pay over Section 106 monies in respect of non-housing items received by the Borough Council as the responsible authority, but which will not result in expenditure by the Council and where the Head of Service has been determined to be the relevant Head of Service by the Head of Finance and Property Services (item 8 of the delegations to Heads of Service in section 8.3 of the Constitution).

For the Head of Service to approve the release of funds they must be satisfied that the works to be carried out fulfil the requirements set out in the S 106 agreement and have written confirmation from the relevant body that the monies will be used for their intended purpose.

Decision and Date

APPROVED



MATT BRADFORD - HEAD OF CLEANSING AND OPEN SPACES
30/9/19

Background

Under the provisions of the Corporate Plan to 2016 - 20, there is a commitment to ensure that a growth in homes and infrastructure benefits residents through improved community facilities.

Planning agreements negotiated with developers and land owners under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) provide a vehicle for the delivery of contributions towards infrastructure, facilities and amenities which should be:

- Necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms
- Directly related to the development
- Fairly and reasonable related in scale and kind to the development

Detail

Within Barrow upon Soar there has been a number of Section 106 agreements that have been negotiated over time, with contributions for Children’s Play, Youth and Adult Recreation, and Community Facility provision.

Barrow upon Soar Library started providing children’s Rhyme Times session within the library for small groups, but these have now proved so popular they are having to turn people away as they cannot safely accommodate all the buggys. The mother and toddler Rhyme Time is so popular that in adverse weather the library gets dangerously full of pushchairs. This restricts the number of parents and children the library can accept or makes it very difficult for other library users.

The library have investigated a number of options and the buggy park is the best and most cost-effective solution. Other solution would cause restrictions in other facilities or would incur building conditions.

The cost of the prefabricated buggy park is £900 + VAT with additional funds being raised through the Co-op to cover full project cost and full installation and commissioning.

Officers are satisfied that the scheme meets the criteria for the use of the section 106 monies. The money will not be released to Barrow upon Soar Library until appropriate invoices have been received to ensure verification that the money has been spent.

Section 106 Monies

The following section 106 monies will be utilised towards the schemes:

PA No	Location	Contribution
P/11/2540/2	Strancliffe Hall, 96 Cotes Road Barrow Upon Soar	£612.53 – Children’s Play.
		Total - £612.53

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications for the Borough Council, the monies will be paid directly to Barrow upon Soar Library.

Payment will be made on receipt of invoices and confirmation that the scheme is completed.

Risk Management

Risk Identified	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Management Actions Planned
All funding not in place	Low	High	Monies will not be released until all funding in place and scheme is affordable
Scheme is over budget	Low	Medium	Quotes received and within budget

Key Decision:
Background Papers

Yes
Section 106 proforma.

