

KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL

Notice of Meeting

ENVIRONMENT & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Monday, 14th January 2019 at 7.00 p.m.
in the Mayor's Parlour, the Town Hall, Kendal

Committee Membership (9 Members)

Jonathan Owen (Chair)	Eamonn Hennessy (Vice Chair)	Giles Archibald
Andy Blackman	Shirley Evans	Julia Dunlop
Jonathan Cornthwaite	Adam Edwards	Chris Rowley

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations by Members and/or co-optees of interests in respect of items on this Agenda

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4. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 29TH OCTOBER 2018 (SEE ATTACHED) AND MATTERS ARISING (NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA)

5. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS ACTIONS NOT COVERED IN THE AGENDA

6. DOCKRAY WALL IMPROVEMENTS (see attached)

7. RIVER KENT GROUP (see attached)

8. BUDGET REQUEST SUMMARY (see attached)

9. DOCKRAY HALL ROAD ENTRANCE (see attached)

10. CANAL PATH TREE FELLING LETTER RESPONSE (see attached)

11. SLDC GREEN SPACES UPDATE (see attached)

12. ASSET PLOTTING (verbal update)

13. WASTE FREE KENDAL (verbal update)

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14. **POTENTIAL SHOP FRONT ENHANCEMENT SCHEME** *(verbal update)*
15. **RIVERSIDE CYCLING** *(verbal update)*
16. **SAINSBURY'S 106 FUNDING** *(verbal update)*
17. **MARKET CONSULTATION UPDATE**
18. **WOOLPACK YARD UPDATE**
19. **SAVE KENDAL'S TREES CAMPAIGN**
20. **ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER**
 - Spring 2019 Edition – deadline 25th January, publication 4th March
 - Summer 2019 Edition – deadline 14th June, publication 22nd July
21. **REVIEW OF SPEND AGAINST BUDGET 2018/19** *(see attached)*
22. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**
23. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 25TH MARCH 2019 AT 7PM**

Liz Richardson
Town Clerk

By e-mail/post to: Members of the Committee
 All other Councillors (agenda only, for information)

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Members of the Press and Public are welcome to attend the meeting.

KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL

Environment and Highways Committee

**Monday 29th October 2018 at 7.00 pm
in The Mayor's Parlour, Town Hall, Kendal**

- PRESENT** Councillors Jonathan Owen (Chair), Eamonn Hennessy (Vice Chair), Shirley Evans, Julia Dunlop, Jonathan Cornthwaite, Adam Edwards and Chris Rowley
- APOLOGIES** Councillor Giles Archibald
- OFFICERS** Helen Moriarty (Project Manager) and Janine Holt (Assistant to the Town Clerk)
- 457/18/19 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
None
- 458/18/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
None
- 459/18/19 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9th JULY 2018**
The Chairman presented the minutes of the meeting held on 9th July 2018, which had been approved by full Council on 6th August 2018. The members noted on an amendment to the minutes, page 9, a small error in spelling, it should read railings not railways.
- RESOLVED** That the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 9th July 2018 be amended to read railings not railways.
- 460/18/19 MATTERS ARISING (Not on Agenda)**
None
- 461/18/19 REVIEW OF PREVIOUS ACTIONS (VERBAL UPDATE)**
Plotting Assets Garmin
The Project Manager reported that Simon Unsworth has been appointed to work on this project and that she had met with him last week. The agreement has been reached that he would start with plotting the lights. The target is for all infrastructure to be logged by Christmas, this will include undertaking a conditional survey at the same time.
- RESOLVED** The plotting of assets and condition survey will be completed by Christmas. The Project manager will provide an update next meeting.
- 462/18/19 Longpool Painting**
The Project Manager reported that she had tried to seek 2 other quotes as per procedure but had been unsuccessful. With this in mind, the Project Manager requested approval to go with the first quote. The Committee agreed to approve the quote of £915 with a view to the painting being completed by next meeting.
- RESOLVED** The Project Manager will instruct the painting of Longpool and report back next meeting.

463/18/19**Unity Structure**

The Project Manager reported that the structure had been painted rather than stained, as requested. It was acknowledged by the members that painting the structure had stepped outside the original remit. The project manager confirmed the structure was owned by SLDC and that at the end of the current Mayoral Year the structure will be stripped off and returned to original wood. The cost of reverting this back is to be met by Kendal Town Council. The Chairman asked the Project Manager to get a costing and report back next meeting.

RESOLVED

The Project Manager to get a cost for reverting the unity structure back to original and set the date for removal.

464/18/19**Dockray Wall**

The Project Manager reported that she was having difficulty with confirming the ownership. She had met with the Asset Manager from SLDC, land register shows SLDC own it. The asset manager is awaiting confirmation from Lambert Smith Hampton who manage the SLDC owned assets. The environment agency are currently assessing the integrity of the wall and it should be noted, that this may have implications. A discussion was held about the possibility of contacting businesses to seek information and stimulate discussions.

RESOLVED

The Project Manager will continue to seek ownership of Dockray Wall and contact local businesses with the suggestion of removing the fence to generate discussion and project support.

465/18/19**Green Spaces Team**

The Project Manager reported that she had met with SLDC's Green Spaces team and they have confirmed that the zip wire will not be replaced.

RESOLVED

To note, the zip wire is not to be replaced.

466/18/19**Sainsbury 106 Update**

The Project Manager provided an update regarding the LEP funded Shap Road cycle path and the action to invite a CCC Officer to provide an overview of the scheme. However the scheme is currently on hold, hence the absence of a CC update. . Members then discussed the 106 Sainsbury's development and the merits of focusing on the Longpool area for enhancements. The members welcomed focus on this area and agreed that the whole area needs upgrading. A general discussion followed highlighting various issues and reinforcing the definite lack of funding to date. The Project Manager is meeting SLDC on Wednesday and agreed to provide an email update after the meeting.

RESOLVED

The Project Manager will provide an email up to all members.

467/18/19**Kendal Market**

The Project Manager circulated the action plan and met with SLDC's Asset Manager to discuss. The Project Manager has been invited to be part of Market Improvement steering group which includes consultants who will lead a consultation process. An SLDC Capital fund bid is intended to act on the recommendations from the consultation process. It was confirmed that the farmers market will

also be considered during the consultation. The Project Manager will report back to this Committee.

RESOLVED The Project Manager will provide a progress report next meeting.

468/18/19 Shop Front Enhancements

The Project Manager commented on the previous action to contact businesses directly regarding the upkeep of shop frontages. The Project manager met with Kendal BID to discuss the best approach. Kendal BID recommended that an enhancement scheme would generate better results than a letter. . Members agreed it was inappropriate to approach businesses individually and suggested linking to a BID development initiative should the BID be successful in November. .

RESOLVED The Project Manager will progress when the outcome of the BID re-elections is known.

469/18/19 Stramongate School

The Chairman confirmed that they will use student volunteers to enhance the area around the BT building. The Chairman will continue to progress with this initiative. The Project Manager confirmed that contact with the relevant contact within BT has been made and that they have requested detailed designs to progress the permission process.

RESOLVED The Chairman will provide a detailed overview of the proposed enhancement to the Project manager to liaise with BT regarding permission. .

470/18/19 Beast Banks

The Project Manager reported that quotes had been obtained for both Banks and Stoney lane railings. Due to a technical difficulty the amount could not be shared therefore Councillors agreed that if each quote was under £300 to action. If the quotes were higher add the item to the next agenda.

RESOLVED That the Project Manager approve quotes if they are less than £300.

471/18/19 SHAP ROAD CYCLE ROUTE (VERBAL UPDATE)

As previously stated earlier in the meeting, the Project Manager reported that due to a funding issue this project is hold.

A general discussion was held and the acknowledgement that safe cycling facilities in Kendal are lacking. Councillor Rowley reported that his current priority is to re-designate the riverside path behind County Hall from a Public Right of Way to a Bridleway. It was acknowledged that there is a narrow point, but a possibility this could be widened by the Environment Agency when they are improving this area. Councillor Rowley confirmed he had the support from residents of Wainwrights Court for a cycle way and pedestrian route. Councillor Cornthwaite reported that some residents use it as vehicular access. It was acknowledged that whilst continuous riverside cycling throughout Kendal would be welcomed, this section could be the initial priority. . It was noted, as owners of this path SLDC, would have to agree to these changes.

RESOLVED That the Project Manager support Cllr Rowley's efforts if time permits.

472/18/19**MARKET PLACE PARKING**

The Project Manager reported that she had met with Victoria Upton from CCC to discuss the 6 month experimental order at Market Place and provided an update. The Chairman said he was supportive of Marketplace being as pedestrianised as it can be but acknowledged that the provision for disabled drivers needed to continue.

RESOLVED

The Project Manager will keep the committee updated on the progress of the trial period

473/18/19**SIGNAGE AUDIT**

The project manager reported that she completed a signage audit approx. a year ago. It was suggested at the time, that a 3 tier project would be required to action the recommendations. . CCC have recently revisited the KTC audit. The Project Manager has shared the signage audit with SLDC to ascertain whether it can link to the current parking review project. There is currently no allocated KTC funding available.

RESOLVED

To be noted.

474/18/19**CCC ELECTRICAL SIGNAGE REMOVALS**

The Project Manager provided an update on the signage removal project from last year. In addition to the redundant signs, the project identified 9 former electrical signs that needed removing. CCC Local Committee awarded funding to action removals via a CCC contractor in April 2018. The Project Manager confirmed this work has been chased.

RESOLVED

CCC to remove the 9 outstanding electrical signs.

475/18/19**CASTLE UNDERSPEND**

The Project Manager reported that the Castle project is now complete and there is an underspend of £913. The Project Manager asked for suggestions on any other improvements the castle required. The Committee agreed to ring fence the underspend for future castle projects only.

RESOLVE

The Castle underspend is to be ring fenced for future castle improvements.

476/18/19**CASTLE STREET COMMUNITY ACTION GRP**

During Storm Desmond the communal green in this area was flooded and all houses had to be evacuated. The green is still in need of some improvement works. It was reported that community group have raised some funds and have made a request to this committee to support funding of £850 to complete the improvement works. Councillor Evans was supportive of this request and said the community were a very motivated group. The committee agreed to support the funding request.

RESOLVED

The Committee agreed to support funding of £850 for improving the green via the Reserve Fund.

The Project Manager confirm payment via the Treasurer.

477/18/19

GREENWALL APPROVAL

Members assessed the Green Wall proposal paper. The Chairman confirmed there was a balance of 21k balance in Green Wall allocations. He sought the views of members to support a request for £950 to employ external planning consultants to submit the planning application for the green wall. The members were keen to move this project forward and supported the request.

RESOLVED

The committee agreed to specialist planning consultations to submit the application for the green wall. That the Project Manager set up initial meeting and co-ordinate associated contracts and payment.

478/18/19

2019/20 BUDGET – REVIEW OF BUDGET REQUIREMENTS AND PROPOSALS FOR ONE-OFF DEVELOPMENT FUND BIDS

The committee discussed the budget requirements for 2019/20 and support of development projects. The committee considered the various E&H development projects contained within the Action Plan and agreed to recommend the following projects to Budget Council:

- Yard Signage Enhancements – 5k
- Improve the visibility & environs of Kendal Railway Station – 5k (members increased this request from £2,500 to £5000)
- Continued membership of LCRP - £250
- Provisionally support the SLDC led Trim Trail Project at Beck Community Centre -5k (further details to be requested from Cllr Hogg)
- Kendal Castle Signage Improvements - £5000 (Councillors noted the need to match signage to new interpretation)
- Fletcher Park - £2000 to support SLDC's fencing enhancements on castle approach
- Hallgarth Play Area - £3000 – to support SLDC in installing new gates to improve access
- Nobles Rest Park - £5,000 To support the Kendal Civic Society led project

2019/2020 Budget Requirements

The Committee discussed the requirements and agreed to increase the bin emptying budget to 2.5k

RESOLVED

- a) The Committee would like Council to approve an increase in the litter bin emptying element of the budget to 2.5k.
- b) The Committee would like to support all the development bids from E&H that are currently in the action plan as above.

479/18/19

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

Spring edition :

Greenwall update/planning permission

Climate change

Summer edition:

Pollinator project

Cumbria Wildlife Trust best gardening practice

480/18/19

REVIEW OF SPEND AGAINST BUDGET

The Committee reviewed the spend against the current budget. The Committee agreed to request of £250 by Councillor Evans to purchase a wheelbarrow and shovels for the use of litter picking and to support the Sandylands group

The Project Manager agreed seek clarity on the following budget lines:

Bus shelter

Heron Hill underspend

Garden Maintenance

RESOLVED

- a) The committee approved £250 for the purchase of additional Council litter pick equipment.
- b) The project manager will seek clarity on the budget lines for Heron Hill, bus shelters and Somerville garden maintenance.

481/18/19

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Tree Removal on Canal Path

Councillor Rowley reported that 3 trees had been cut down on the canal path. This had caused a lot of upset. Councillor Rowley raised some concerns with regard to this action. A request was made by Councillor Rowley to send a letter of concern/objection from this committee expressing the concerns. The committee agreed that the Project Manager will draft a letter on behalf of the Committee, Councillor Rowley agreed to forward the contact details in to the Project Manager.

RESOLVED

The Project Manager is to draft a letter to CCC.

482/18/19

Plastic Free Cumbria

The Chairman reported that he had attended the SLACtt AGM. At the meeting he was introduced to a member who had led on plastic free Cumbria but was moving away. The Chairman informed the group that he had undertaken some initial research and suggested members visited the Klean Kanteen website for information and ideas. The Project Manager agreed to progress by contacting the BID about current initiatives in relation to encouraging plastic free and how Kendal Town Council might be able to support

RESOLVED

The Project Manager contact BID regarding current status of plastic free initiatives.

483/18/19

DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

7.00pm on 14th January 2019

The meeting closed at 9.35 pm.

Summary of Information, Resolutions and Recommendations to Council

Min	Subject	Information/Resolution/Recommendation to Council	
461/18/19	Plotting Assets Garmin	RES	The plotting of assets and condition survey will be completed by Christmas. The Project Manager will provide an update next meeting.
462/18/19	Longpool Painting	RES	The Project Manager will instruct the painting of Longpool and report back next meeting.
463/18/19	Unity Structure	RES	The Project Manager to get a cost for reverting the unity structure back to original.
464/18/19	Dockray Wall	RES	The Project Manager will continue to seek ownership of Dockray Wall
465/18/19	Green Spaces Team	RES	To note, the zip wire is not to be replaced.
466/18/19	Sainsbury 106 Update	RES	The Project Manager will provide an email up to all members.
467/18/19	Kendal Market	RES	The Project Manager will provide a progress report next meeting.
468/18/19	Shop Front Enhancements	RES	The Project Manager will progress when the outcome of the BID re-elections is known.
469/18/19	Stramongate School	RES	The Chairman will progress this initiative and provide an update next meeting.
470/18/19	Beast Banks	RES	An amount of no more than £300 has been agreed for this project.
471/18/19	Shap Road Cycle Route	RES	To note, the Shap road cycle route is currently on hold.
472/18/19	Market Place Parking	RES	The Project Manager will provide a progress update on the Market Place parking next meeting.
473/18/19	Signage Audit	RES	To be noted.
474/18/19	CCC Electrical Signage Removal	RES	CCC will remove the 9 outstanding electrical signs.
475/18/19	Castle Underspend	RES	The Castle underspend is to be ring fenced for future castle improvements.

476/18/19	Castle Street Community Action Group	RES	The Committee agreed to support funding of £850 for improving the green.
477/18/19	Greenwall Approval	RES	The Committee agreed to specialist planning consultations to submit the application for the green wall.
478/18/19	2019/20 Budget	REC	The Committee would like Council to approve an increase in the litter bin emptying element of the budget to 2.5k. The Committee would like to support all the development bids from E&H that are currently in the action plan
479/18/19	Items for Newsletter	RES	Spring edition : Greenwall update Climate change Summer edition: Pollinator project Cumbria wildlife trust best gardening practice
480/18/19	Review of Spend Against Budget	RES	a) The Committee approved £250 for the purchase of additional Council litter pick equipment. b) The Project Manager will seek clarity on the budget lines for Heron Hill, bus shelters and Somerville garden maintenance.
481/18/19	Tree Removal on Canal Path	RES	The Project Manager is to draft a letter to CCC.
482/18/19	Plastic Free Cumbria	RES	The Project Manager agreed to contact BID about developing a plastic free initiative.

KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

To: Environment & Highways Committee	14 th January 2019
From: Project Manager	Agenda Item No. 6

DOCKRAY WALL IMPROVEMENTS

Background

Ownership of wall to be confirmed. SLDC, CCC and Canal and River Trust have been contacted. The owner of business units has given permission to remove, confirming that the fencing does not offer any protection to businesses due to the numerous holes and gaps. If challenged, Kendal Town Council can prove ownership was sought and that business owner permission has been granted.

Proposal

Remove broken fencing to reduce anti-social behaviour and improve riverside aesthetics. Re-instated previously vandalised bench.

Cost

£210 (£185 to hire skip, £30 tool hire to remove metal fence poles)
£100 (to repair vandalised bench)

Timescales

Kendal Town Council's Townscape Manager has availability in January to complete this task which can be achieved in one day.

Once completed the refurbished bench can be reinstated.



To be considered

- Area is included in EA Flood Defence proposal
- EA propose to check the integrity of existing wall and improve if necessary
- Aesthetic issue remains regardless of future EA intervention

KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

To: Environment & Highways Committee	14 th January 2019
From: Project Manager	Agenda Item No. 7

RIVER KENT GROUP

Background

The River Kent Invasive Plants Action Group had previously been considered for Development Grant funding. Cllr Jon Owen agreed Project Managers request to defer request to Environment & highways group for consideration under the 'Environment Reserves' budget.

Proposal

See below.

Cost

£615

Request to Kendal Town Council for Grant Funded Support

from

The River Kent Invasive Plants Action Group

Under the auspices of  South Cumbria Rivers Trust

1. Introduction

This is a submission on behalf of **The River Kent Invasive Plants Action Group** for funding for the control of Himalayan Balsam in Kendal and the River Kent catchment.

More specifically for:

- Reprinting of leaflets
- Five pairs of waders
- One day of professional contractor's strimming time.

2. Background

The River Kent Invasive Plants Action Group is a group of volunteers which was started about 14 years ago to tackle the problem of Himalayan Balsam (*Impatiens glandulifera*) which had been invading all parts of the River Kent and Kendal. The group operates under the auspices of the South Cumbria Rivers Trust <https://s crt.co.uk> which provides administrative support including insurance, but the Trust no longer has any funding specifically for Himalayan Balsam control. Latterly, the group of volunteers has been led by Judith Wallen, and carries out many work parties between the end of May and beginning of September each year.



Although the plant is now largely under control in most parts of Kendal, new areas of infestation are found each year further up the catchment. In addition, Storm Desmond, and any other significant flooding event, brings seeds down the river to settle and germinate on the riverbanks in Kendal. Therefore, constant vigilance is required in Kendal to stop any re-infestation.

The 2018 draft report for the group is appended below (Appendix 1) detailing volunteer work on the Kent and its catchment.

3. Environmental Effects of Himalayan Balsam

Although to the untutored eye, there is apparently little Himalayan Balsam still to be seen in Kendal, some members of the committee may be able to cast their minds back to 2000 when the banks of the River Kent was covered in Balsam. Others may have seen the current infestation at Rydal and White Moss or at many other locations along our motorways and railway corridors.

The Royal Horticultural Society's website describes Himalayan Balsam as "an annual relative of the Busy Lizzie, which can reach well over head height, and is a major weed problem, especially on riverbanks and waste land, but can also invade gardens. It grows rapidly and spreads quickly, smothering other vegetation as it goes."

The plant spreads its seed by two principal means which are:

- Human, when they are transported in soil or on the tyres of vehicles
- Waterways, when they are washed down streams and rivers.

Each plant can produce up to 800 seeds. These are dispersed widely as the ripe seedpods shoot their seeds up to 7m (22ft) away. For this reason, it is essential to effective control that no plant is allowed to seed. Although it has yet to be substantiated, it is quite possible that Himalayan Balsam plants have an allelopathic effect on other plants which means that it exudes poisonous chemicals which inhibit the growth of other plants.

4. Funding Requirement

The stock of leaflets which volunteers give out to property owners, and other interested parties, is now running out, and needs reprinting. The quote has been obtained for a straight re-print of this leaflet.

Volunteers have to enter streams and the River Kent in order to pull out plants where they have germinated. Although most of the volunteers safely use wellington boots, more experienced members use waders to get the more out-of-reach plants. These waders are old and are now leaking, and on occasion this work parties failed to reach all plants because of river levels being too high. Therefore they need replacing at a cost of £50 per pair.

By far the majority of the control is done by hand when plants are pulled from the soil. However, this is labour intensive and there are, every year, patches of plants which, initially, are most effectively strimmed. In 2018, an extended area of Balsam was found at Dockray where Storm Desmond had brought seed down from up river. Another area was discovered by the Wattsfield wastewater treatment plant. One day of contractor's time would efficiently deal with the majority of these plants.



	Approx £
500 x A4 FOLDED TO A THIRD - 210 X 99MM, 6PP (Inc VAT)	£155
6 pairs of waders @ £50 each	£300
One day of professional strimmer contractor's time	£160
Total	£615

Summary

Much time, money and effort has been expended on bringing the highly alien, invasive Himalayan Balsam under control in the Kent catchment, especially where it flows through Kendal. To date, SCRT has supported this effort but no longer has funds to do this directly. The balsam will soon re-assert itself if not kept under tight control (ideally no plant should be allowed to seed). Without this funding, there is a serious risk that this tight control may have to lapse.

Thank you for considering this request.

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KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

To: Environment & Highways Committee	14 th January 2019
From: Project Manager	Agenda Item No. 8

BUDGET REQUEST SUMMARY

Project	Budget Request	Budget line & current balance	Remaining Budget if Approved
River Kent Invasive Species Group	£615	Enviro Reserve £2,301	Enviro Reserve £1686
Dockray Riverside Fencing & Bench Improvements	£310	Infrastructure maintenance £2,434	Infrastructure maintenance £813
Beast Banks railings (painting)	£486		
Stoney Lane railings (painting)	£825		
Longpool (painting) <i>NB previously approved, Network Rail permission pending</i>	£914.20	New Infrastructure £3,500	New Infrastructure £2,585.80
TOTAL request	£3,050.20	n/a	Total remaining budget to spend before March 2019 = £5,084.8

KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

To: Environment & Highways Committee	14 th January 2019
From: Project Manager	Agenda Item No. 9

DOCKRAY HALL ROAD ENTRANCE

Background

Whilst meeting with Dockray Industrial Estate owner Charlie Lippet regarding the Riverside Fencing project, he highlighted the current issues at Dockray Hall Road entrance. There are 32 businesses located in the business estate, each receiving at least two deliveries per day. The current entrance on Dockray Hall Road and parking provision causes the following issues:

- Lorries often need to reverse onto Burnside Road to allow passing traffic and create the required space to complete the right hand turn – contributing to congestion
- Resident parking / access is compromised by lorries waiting to get on site
- Lorries often mount the kerb and pedestrian area making it unsafe for pedestrians
- Cars parked on Burnside road are at risk due to reversing lorries

Whilst talking to Mr Lippet about the issue another resident approached us to confirm the scale of the issue.

Proposal

- Ask CCC Highways to conduct a safety audit of the site
- Research improvement options (possibilities include widening the road to create two lanes, plus parking provision, restricting nearby parking and relocating the post box)

Cost & Timescales

- TBC

To be considered

- Residents have raised the issue with local Councillors in the past, it has got worse as the number of businesses on the industrial estate have increased.



KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

To: Environment & Highways Committee	14 th January 2019
From: Project Manager	Agenda Item No. 10

CANAL PATH TREE FELLING LETTER RESPONSE

Background

Environment and Highways Committee requested that the Project Manager write to both SLDC and CCC regarding recent tree removals on the Canal Towpath. The following response was received from CCC on the 22nd of November. No response from SLDC to date.

Response

Dear Helen,

Thank you for your letter regarding the removal of the trees adjacent to the Canal Towpath, Castle Hags, Kendal.

These trees were removed by SLDC. Cumbria County Council did not instruct that these works be undertaken.

That said, the roots were causing damage to the surface of the footway and cycleway and Cumbria County Council had undertaken repairs here in the past. We do want to encourage model shift to cycling and away from motorised transport and the safety of cyclists was surely a consideration for SLDC in undertaking these works.

Your sincerely,

Peter Hosking

Highway Network Manager, South Lakes,
Highways & Transport,
Directorate of Economy & Infrastructure,
Cumbria County Council,
County Hall, Kendal Cumbria LA9 4RQ

KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

To: Environment & Highways Committee	14 th January 2019
From: Project Manager	Agenda Item No. 11

SLDC GREEN SPACES UPDATE

Abbot Hall Park Play Area

- Friends Group very proactive with funding – attended Unity Festival. Session in Asda, Crowd Funding
- Big Lottery application successful
- Funds now available to start tender process in the New Year.
- Playground should be open for summer

Nobles Rest & Town View Field

- Park fully open
- Volunteer days held in Swine Parrock on 31/7, 6/11 and in Town View Field 11/9
- Feature benches all sponsored and to be installed w/c 17/12.
- Sponsorship required for central perennial planting and wild flower planting in Town View Field.
- Friends of Nobles Rest continue to have regular meetings.

Fletcher Park

- LSH are investigating drainage issues
- Tree audit has been complete and dangerous ones felled
- Friends of Fletcher Park has become a constituted group
- Volunteer day to plant trees and prune hedges on 13/12/18

Kendal Parks

- Murley Moss, new swing installed
- Howe Bank toddler play area opened in September
- Hayclose Road – Opened in October for half term – We are just waiting for the fence to be installed.
- Hayclose Crescent – Improvements to be made – funding required.

PSPO

- New signs will be installed by the end of March 2019

Hallgarth

- Old zip wire at Hallgarth has been removed
- Funding bid to Suez successful
- New Zip wire and one additional piece of equipment to be installed early spring

KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL - ENVIRONMENT & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

BUDGETARY CONTROL STATEMENT: EXPENDITURE TO 30 NOVEMBER 2018

2018/19 Approved Budget	Heading	Actual to date	Commitments	Total to date	Budget Remaining
£		£	£	£	£
17,390	Environment:				
500	Staffing	11,593	5,797	17,390	0
	Somervell Garden Maintenance	0		0	500
17,890	Sub-Total:	11,593	5,797	17,390	500
	Highways & Infrastructure:				
2,700	Infrastructure Maintenance (including Mint Clean)	266		266	2,434
1,250	Litter Bin Emptying	1,328		1,328	(78)
3,500	New Infrastructure			0	3,500
2,267	Lighting - running costs	2,267		2,267	0
9,717	Sub-Total:	3,861	0	3,861	5,856
27,607	Environment & Highways Total:	15,454	5,797	21,251	6,356
	Action Plan Projects:				
	(Programme approved 4 June 2018)				
21,000	Green Wall Project		900	900	20,100
9,874	Leaflet Reprint	9,333		9,333	541
1,680	Signage Improvements	810		810	870
20,000	Strategic Transport Infrastructure Study	10,000		10,000	10,000
15,000	Maude's Meadow	15,000		15,000	0
1,404	Heron Hill School Woodland Trail			0	1,404
6,090	Kendal Castle Environmental Improvements	5,857		5,857	233
32,629	Market Place Enhancement	22,000		22,000	10,629
2,000	Lakes Line Feasibility Study			0	2,000
5,000	Abbot Hall Play Area Improvements			0	5,000
3,500	Kendal Parks Play Areas Renovation			0	3,500
21,500	Blackhall Road Bus Shelters KADBUS scheme	20,437		20,437	1,063
139,677	Action Plan Total:	83,437	900	84,337	55,340
2,394	Environment Reserve (Parks, Gardens & Open Spaces):	93	681	93	2,301
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