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To Members of the Environment and Highways Committee

Cllr G Archibald (Vice chair)	Cllr S Evans
Cllr J Cornthwaite	Cllr S Long
Cllr J Dunlop	Cllr C Rowley
Cllr A Edwards	Cllr K Simpson
Cllr E Hennessy (Chair)	

You are summoned to a meeting of Kendal Town Council Environment & Highways Committee on Monday 24 January 2022 at 7.30pm, at the Town Hall, Highgate, Kendal. Details of the meeting can be found on the Town Council's website

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A.B.' followed by a flourish.

Chris Bagshaw
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. Apologies

To receive and accept any apologies. If accepted, apologies will be considered to be for reasons approved by the council under the terms of Local Government Act 1972, s85.

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations by members and/or co-optees of interests in respect of items on this agenda.

3. Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

To consider whether there are any agenda items during consideration of which the press and public should be excluded.

4. Minutes of the Last Meeting

To receive the minutes of the meeting on 8 November 2021, and affirm them as a true record.

5. E&H Budget 2020/21

To receive a report on the E&H budget for the current year (*see attached*)

6. Project Updates (*see attached*)

To receive a report from the Project Manager on the current E&H projects being delivered. Includes additional notes on 20 mph scheme and Kirkbarrow Connections.

7. Infrastructure Maintenance Proposal (*see attached*)

The committee are asked to approve four proposals to improve signage, railings, green space access and a bus stop.

8. Compositing Proposal (*see attached*)

The committee are asked to approve the purchase and installation of two composting facilities to serve green spaces.

9. Footpath Audit Commission

To discuss the preferred footpath audit commission approach to increase active travel

10. Appointments to Outside Consultative Groups

To consider the appropriate appointments to the following outside consultative groups.

a) Kendal Northern Access Route working group

It is suggested that Cllr Dunlop joins this County Council led group, with Cllr Hennessy as deputy

b) South Lakes Action on Climate Change (SLACC)

The Committee is seeking a volunteer to take on this role.

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Notes from the meeting of the Non-Statutory Working Group of the Environment and Highways Committee held on Monday, 8 November 2021 at 7.30 pm via Zoom.

Cllr G Archibald (Vice Chair)	Present	Cllr S Evans	Present
Cllr J Cornthwaite	Present	Cllr S Long	Present
Cllr J Dunlop	Present	Cllr K Simpson	Present
Cllr E Hennessy (Chair)	Present	Cllr C Rowley	Present

In attendance: Town Clerk (Chris Bagshaw), Project Manager (Helen Moriarty), Democratic Services Assistant (Ian Gordon) plus a member of the public.

E28/21/22 Apologies

None

E29/21/22 Declarations of Interest

None

E30/21/22 Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

None

E31/21/22 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Council received the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 13 September 2021. The Chair asked if there was any update on the production of a bio-diversity policy. The Clerk reported that this was still work in progress.

Resolved: To commend them as a true record.

E32/21/22 E & H Budget and current spend to date

The Committee considered the budget for the current year and noted the separation of development fund projects and Environment and highways core projects.

Resolved: To note the report

E33/21/22 Project Updates

The Project Manager set out a written report on project updates and Committee members raised various questions.

Kirkbarrow Connections Project.

Councillors asked if this project is developing at pace or moving more slowly. The Clerk reported that Cumbria County Council are going to carry out some remedial work in April 2022 and there are ongoing surveys taking place. Concern was expressed about legal progress on the purchase of additional land.

Ivy Screening

The Project Manager reported that further installation around Longpool had been well received. It was felt some signage indicating the work has been carried out by the Town Council should be installed.

Pump Track

Land Allocation responses are required from SLDC. It was agreed to take this forward with local District Councillors.

It was felt reporting project updates would benefit from the addition of target dates and/or milestones.

Resolved: The Clerk and/or Project Manager will update the Project Update Report to include milestones and costing information.

Resolved: The Project Manager will arrange for Kendal Town Council signage acknowledging the installation of ivy screening at Longpool and Blackhall Road.

E34/21/22 Gooseholme Anti-Social Behaviour

Councillors received an overview report. It was suggested to review the Safer by Design Audit via an informal meeting with Councillors and the author of the audit, to work up more detailed proposals. Members would be Councillors Cornthwaite, Archibald, Dunlop, Evans plus the Clerk and Project Officer. It was also suggested to invite the relevant resident who raised this at last meeting. The remit of the working group would be to identify the salient points and bring back a report to next E&H meeting.

Councillor Evans promoted new youth activities at Castle Street Centre via Kendal Youth Zone.

The provision of a public toilet was discussed. Clerk reported that the Police have the view that they would not support such a provision as this would exacerbate the anti-social behaviour as outlined in the report. Other proposals to be discussed with working group.

Resolved: To set up working group consisting of Councillors Cornthwaite, Archibald, Dunlop and Evans plus the Clerk and Project Manager. The working group will decide if a wider membership is needed. The remit of the working group is to disseminate the Safer by Design Audit and the paper circulated by the Project Manager for this agenda and present proposals to the next E&H meeting.

E35/21/22 Fellside Play Provision

The Committee considered the report and the opportunity to work with the Fellside Forum regarding enhancements to Serpentine Woods. Councillors agreed the Town Council can support the maintenance of the Alphabet Trail. The plans of the Kendal Civic Society to create a new entrance from M&S into Nobles Rest and the possibility of this area being developed as a natural play area for younger children was discussed. The need to enhance Bowling Fell around the Monument was also highlighted. As per the report, it was highlighted that access issues make the area unsuitable for play provision.

It was noted that the idea of a play area in Nobles Rest had been rejected by SLDC, nevertheless it was felt helpful to revisit this and explore opportunities for natural play areas.

Resolved: To continue developing natural play ideas in partnership with Fellside Forum and Kendal Conservation Volunteers and create a maintenance support budget for the Alphabet Trail.

Resolved: To approach SLDC re possibility of play provision on Nobles Rest in conjunction with Civic Society entrance plans.

Resolved: To consider a Bowling Fell improvement project in the next financial year's budget.

E36/21/22 Natural Kendal

The Chair reported on the formation of this working group. The committee received a presentation at the last meeting about Wild Kendal which is now being renamed Natural Kendal. This proposal seeks to fund an initial piece of research work to help kick start this important development.

Resolved: To approve the proposal to fund baseline research of ten days at a cost of £3,000

E37/21/22 Lancaster Canal Regeneration Project (LCRP)

The Committee considered the attached report. The Committee required clarification on costs and suggested ideas on different barriers at the entrance to the cycle path to create a bike friendly entrance. The Committee felt there could be better use of the historic £10,000 LCRP grant on improved signage for cyclists once decisions have been made on a definitive cycle track through Kendal via the LCWIP process

Resolved: To revert to LCRP for cost clarification.

E38/21/22 Municipal Composting

The Project Manager reported on a request from the Allotments Committee requesting £145 for composting materials for the allotment at Castle Hags

Resolved: To allocate £145 to trial a municipal composting site at Castle Hags.

E39/21/22 Biodiversity Budget

It was clarified that £10,400 remains in the budget. It was felt that the research being carried out by Natural Kendal would provide an ideal source of ideas and connections to community groups who can benefit from this funding.

Resolved: That the Clerk and Project Officer report on possible ideas for future funding mindful of Natural Kendal's research.

E40/21/22 Cycle Racks at Longpool

The local shop owner has asked the Town Council to consider the installation of a cycle rack to help mitigate current bike parking arrangements.

Resolved: To further investigate an exact location with the shop owner and report back to the Committee.

E41/21/22 Budget 2022-23

The Clerk presented a draft budget for 2022-23 and answered questions from Councillors. Councillors felt the budget totals were not necessarily aligned with the wider aspirations of the E&H Committee

Resolved: To defer decisions on budget approval to a further single agenda working group meeting that engages with some of the wider aspirations of the Committee.

The meeting closed at 22.02

Kendal Town Council Environment & Highways Committee Budget 2022-23

Main Budget

	Budget 2021-22	Bf from previous year	Estimated Outturn	Proposed 2022-23	% of previous	Total spend available	Notes
New infrastructure	3,500	10,000 grant 3,266 carried over from 2020-21)	13,000	4,000	114%	7,366	Also carry over 3,766
Defib	800		0	0	n/a	800	Carry over current year budget to fund future defib installation
Infrastructure Maintenance	1,000	4499	750	1,000	100%	5,499	Added to £4,499 maintenance fund carried over from 20-21
CCTV Maintenance	1,500		0	0	n/a	1,500	Carry over from current year
Defib Maintenance	800		0	0	n/a	800	Carry over from current year
SLDC Service Charges Footway lighting	4,917		4,917	2,633	54%	2,633	Latest figure from SLDC reflects their failure to collect in 2020-21.
Somervell Garden	500		500	500	100%	500	
Bins	2,500		2500	2,650	106%	2,650	

Total	15,517		21,667	13,350	86%		Also proposed carry over of £11,366
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Proposed Action Plan Budget 2022-23

	Budget 2021-22	Bf from 20-21	Est outturn	Proposed 2022-23	% variance		Notes
Climate Change	10,000	9,019	2,500	1,000	0	17,519	Current earmarked reserve plus additional funding for plan
Biodiversity	11,000	10,400	6,000	6,000	54%	21,400	Current earmarked reserve plus addition sufficient
20mph	10,000	9,400	0	0	n/a	19,400	Current earmarked reserve is sufficient
Cycling and Walking LCWIP	5,000	5,000	0	21,000		31,000	Carrying over reserve, plus additional actions
Pump Track	2,000	2,000	2,000	0		4,000	Current earmarked reserve is sufficient. Project is intended to be grant funded
Lancaster Canal	5,500	5,500	11,000	5,000		5,000	Excludes funding for towpath trail

							entrance enhancements in C&W
River Corridor Connectivity	15,000		0	0		15,000	Building fund for path connectivity contribution
Green Space Improvements	-	-	-	24,000		24,000	Additional funding for various projects
Public Realm Improvements				6,000		6,000	10k for extending ivy screening up Windermere Rd, 2k to fund repainting railings etc
Total	58,500	41,319	16,500	63,000	108%	158,319	In addition to £83,319 brought forward in Dev Fund

Action Plan Costings 2022-23

Green Spaces Improvements (£23,000)

This is an additional budget line in the Development Action Plan to meet the proposals from the Committee

- Bowling Fell Improvement Project - stage one, feasibility and plan - £7,000
- Serpentine Woods Alphabet Trail Maintenance Fund - £1,000 per year x3yrs
- Fellside Play Provision - £5,000
- Valley Drive Dark Skies Lighting Scheme - £10,000

Public Realm Enhancements (£10,000)

This is a relatively straightforward delivery of an extension of the ivy screening from Longpool and Blackhall Road.

- Ivy screening expansion on to Windermere Road - £10,000
- Windermere Road painting improvements - tbc

Cycling and Walking (£36,000)

This puts some more concrete proposals behind the existing ambition to develop Active Travel initiatives.

- Footpath Quality audit - £7,000
- Kirkbarrow Footpath improvement Project - £15,000
- Signage improvements for footpath and cycleways £4,000
- Towpath Trail entrance improvements - £10,000 (insert cost clarification)

Climate Change (£17,000)

Bringing forward the Council's Climate Change imperative and developing specific actions from the Jury Recommendations.

- Town Centre Recommendations Hub (in partnership with WIW and Repair Cafe) £10,000 per year x3yrs
- Solar Campaign (to target solar potentials highlighted in the audit) - £5,000
- Online Inspiration hub and associated projects - £2,000

Biodiversity (£11,000)

Developing the Council's commitment to nature recovery, this may include funding for the Natural Kendal initiative.

- Dark Skies Campaign (to target polluters highlighted in the audit) - £5,000
- Second round of Biodiversity Grants - £6,000

Additional Recommendations

The following budget considerations do not align specifically with the E&H Committee's current budget competences, but may be considered as additional observations/recommendations for consideration by the Management Committee, as appropriate.

Increased Delivery Resources (£25,000)

It is recognised that delivery of the E&H Committee's ambitious action plan proposals may require additional staffing capacity. This is estimated at around FTE 0.65, approx. 24 hours per week.

- E&H delivery project officer support – in the region of £25,000, including salary and overhead.

Natural Flood Management (£15,000)

To enable Paul Quinn (Newcastle University) to carry out an evaluated study of his proposal for an NFM + design in the upper reaches of the Kentmere valley, to complement existing EA work planned lower down the valley. Cllr Chris Rowley has prepared a briefing on this, which will be circulated separately to members of E&H and Planning.

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Kendal Town Council 2021-22 Environment & Highways Budget and /I&E

ENVIRONMENT & HIGHWAYS	2021-22 Budget	Funding B/Fwd From 20/21	Exp To Date (Apr-Dec)	Remaining Budget (incl B/Fwd)	Projected Yr. Exp	
<u>New Infrastructure</u>	£3,500					
Enviroground - Wattsfield, install bench			£567			
Enviroground - Burton Rd Bus Shelter - dig out, lay concrete			£674			
SID			£2,775	-£516	£4,016	
Defib	£800			£800	£800	
Ivy Screening Project		£3,266	£8,834	£4,432		Full Budget forecast to be spent
Ivy Screening Grant from SLDC		£10,000			£13,266	
Sub Total	£4,300	£13,266	£12,850	£4,716	£18,082	Full Budget forecast to be spent
<u>Infrastructure Maintenance</u>	£1,000					
Infrastructure Maint Fund		£4,499	£426	£4,073	£4,499	Full Budget forecast to be spent
SID Maint			£323	£677	£1,000	£1000 (infrastructure Maintenance less £323)
Wool pack Yard		£3,242	£3,242	£0	£3,242	Full Budget spent
CCTV Maint	£1,500			£1,500	£1,500	Full Budget forecast to be spent
Defib Maint	£800			£800	£0	We will not spend this - added to Reserves
Sub Total	£3,300	£7,741	£3,991	£7,050	£10,241	
<u>SLDC Service Charges</u>						
Footway Lighting	£4,917		£3,731	£1,186	£4,917	Full Budget forecast to be spent
Somervell Annual Maint	£500		£0	£500	£500	Full Budget forecast to be spent
Bins	£2,500		£1,593	£907	£2,500	Full Budget forecast to be spent
Sub Total	£15,517	£21,007	£22,165	£14,359	£36,240	

Kendal Town Council 2021-22 Action Plans Budget and /I&E

*** Note: Any Unspent Funds from the 21/22 Budget and the Allocated Reserves will remain in the Reserves until the respective Project is completed.

ONGOING ACTION PLANS / PROJECTS	2021-22 Budget	Funding B/Fwd From 20/21	Exp To Date (Apr-Dec)	Remaining Budget (incl B/Fwd)	Projected Yr. Exp	
1 Climate Change	£10,000	£2,019		£12,019	£0	***
SLDC Community Climate Change Grant		£2,000				
Kendal Map Zero Carbon			£375		£375	
Website			£1,200	£425	£1,200	
Kendal Composting		£5,000		£5,000	£1,000	As per Helen's Projections
Sub Total	£10,000	£9,019	£1,575	£17,444	£2,575	***
2 Biodiversity Schemes & Grants	£11,000	£2,400		£13,400	£2,131	As per Helen's Projections
Somervell Wildflower Grant Project		£1,500	£869	£631	£869	
Natural Kendal Research Contribution				£1,500	£3,000	
Fletcher Park		£1,500		£1,500	£0	***
Nobles Rest		£5,000		£5,000	£0	***
Sub Total	£11,000	£10,400	£869	£22,031	£6,000	
3 20mph	£10,000	£4,297	£0	£14,297	£0	***
Sub Total	£10,000	£4,297	£0	£14,297	£0	***
4 Cycling & Walking	£12,500			£12,500	£0	***
LCWIP		£5,000		£5,000	£0	***
Pump Track		£2,000		£2,000	£0	***
LCRP		£5,500		£5,500	£5,500	As per Helen's Projections
Sub Total	£12,500	£12,500	£0	£25,000	£5,500	
*** FRSWG Connectivity Scheme	£15,000	£0	£0	£15,000	£15,000	
Sub Total	£58,500	£36,216	£2,444	£93,772	£29,075	
Totals	£74,017	£57,223	£24,609	£108,131	£65,315	

Total Budget & B/Fwd Reserves	£131,240	Total Planned Exp	£65,315	Forecast Balance to Remain in Allocated Reserves	£65,925
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*** To Discuss moving to the Management Budget

Please Note. The B/Fwd. Figures in Red are Funds in the Development Reserves assigned to projects that have not yet completed

E&H Project Updates

E&H Commitment	Project	Does this project help Kendal's residents to thrive in a zero carbon town?	Purpose	Update	Next action & timescales
To deliver, encourage and facilitate the implementation of the Kendal Climate Change Citizens Jury Recommendations	Solar Audit	Yes. Access to renewable energy will be easier	To develop Kendal's capacity to generate energy	Audit is complete, Jury members and supporters invited to working group meeting, four residents keen to support.	Working group to receive presentation from Tom Nicholls on the 7 th of February at 7.30pm.
	Dark Skies	Yes. Less light pollution will increase enjoyment of the night sky – a zero carbon activity	To support Kendal as a Dark Skies Pilot area.	No progress. Key Officer on leave	Agree approach to polluters via working group to present to next committee
	Municipal Composting	Yes. Easy access to composting options will enable residents to reduce waste impact.	To support the development of SLACC's research paper into a deliverable municipal composting site in Kendal	Awaiting info from Suez / SLDC regarding current process.	Additional municipal composting proposal to be considered at the January committee meeting.
	Recommendations Festival Stand	Yes. Increased awareness will support residents to make positive changes.	To promote the work and recommendations of the Citizens Jury	Successful KMF presentation.	tbc

	Online zero carbon inspiration Hub	Yes. Easy access to useful information and a sense of community will support residents to make positive changes.	To promote the work and recommendations of the Citizens Jury and celebrate current low carbon activity within Kendal with the aim of encouraging more.	Design, research, copy and content upload complete. Technical delays due to link issues now resolved.	Ready to launch week beginning 24 th of January.
	Physical zero carbon inspiration hub	Yes. Easy access to useful information and a sense of community will support residents to make positive changes.	To promote the work and recommendations of the Citizens Jury in partnership with Waste into Wellbeing, Future Fixers and Repair Café Kendal who are also seeking town centre premises.	Options overview is no longer relevant as partners are reconsidering their needs against the latest round of viewing premises.	Tbc based on partner feedback.
To improve Highways and Footpaths	SIDS	Yes. Slower traffic will increase cycling and walking ease	To install new SIDs on additional roads.	No progress. Awaiting the completion of CCC approval process.	Progress purchase following CCC location approval.
	20mph	Yes. Slower traffic will increase cycling and walking ease	To install 20mph speed limit across Kendal	Meeting with CCC outlined the need for additional data. KTC and Kendal Futures proposed using alternatives approaches for speed and cost reductions. Markides information confirmed.	<p>The working group met and have agreed a series of questions to be answered by CCC at the next 20mph meeting, preferably in February. See additional report below</p> <p>Answers will be incorporated into a detailed proposal for the shadow authority to consider in</p>

					May 2023 to enable budget allocation in 2023/24.
	Kirkbarrow Connections Project	Yes. Improvements will enable residents to access key amenities (school and paly park) with ease on foot or by bike.	To improve all connecting path in and around Kirkbarrow	KTC Management Committee have endorsed researching the adoption of path between Vicarage Drive and The Adventure however the preference remains that SLDC adopt the footpath. SLDC Officer have confirmed they won't progress this.	Project overview document created to highlight focus areas. See additional report below
To develop new infrastructure projects that improve the Environment and Highways of Kendal	Signage Improvements	Yes. Walking routes are promoted.	To improve signs including Abbott Hall Green Finger post, Nobles rest signage near M&S, Castle Signage near the recycling centre and the Clarks Heritage Sign.	No progress	Reserved as initial projects for new Project Officer role.
	Bench improvements	Yes. Providing resting points for those who need them can encourage more walking	To install two new benches in line with EA works and design guidance at Abbott Hall park.	No progress	Reserved as initial projects for new Project Officer role.

	Pumptrack	Yes. Encouraging cycling and provides a facility within Kendal, reducing the trips to other destinations.	To develop a pumptrack for Kendal	SLDC Officers have confirmed they won't survey potential sites this side of LGR.	Tbc – Councillors to decide if a similar approach to 20mph would be appropriate?
	Valley Drive Lighting Scheme	Yes. Enables residents to walk at night.	To improve the lighting provision of this dark area following resident complaints	CCC have confirmed support to cost a scheme.	Progress if KTC contribution is confirmed in 2022/23 budget.
	Gooseholme Anti Social Behaviour	Yes. It provides a welcoming green space for residents to enjoy and can potentially increase biodiversity.	To reduce anti-social behaviour on Gooseholme.	<p>Working group met in November to better understand the Safer by Design Audit completed by Cumbria Constabulary.</p> <p>Officer site visit completed on the 11th of January and agreed following interventions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improve the putting green hedge, reduce access points and increase biodiversity by making it thicker. - Investigate moving the camera and 	To be confirmed at working group meeting on the 20 th of January.

				<p>increasing signage in the meantime</p> <p>Wider group met on the 20th to hear feedback and agree next steps.</p>	
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20mph Working Group
6th January 2022

Present

Chair: Cllr Eamonn Hennessy
Paul Holdsworth (20's Plenty Campaigner)
Cllr Giles Archibald
Cllr Chris Rowley
Helen Moriarty

Following introductions the group discussed inviting the following additional members:

Cllr Peter Thornton (to strengthen approach to CCC)
Karen Gea (to strengthen links to active travel group)
A representative of Kendal Futures Transport Group

CCC Current Position

The group discussed the County Council's current position and discussed various approaches to encourage a sense of emergency and challenge standard approaches. The group agreed the following questions to be sent to CCC in advance of the next full partner meeting:

- KTC understand CCC current procedure led approach to installing 20mph but is it statutory and if guidance only, is it fit for purpose given the Climate Emergency?
- Is the preferred tube approach considered necessary because CCC favour a phased approach? Does a phased approach require a greater level of data?
- Markides have confirmed many towns use phone data to confirm average speeds, we feel our data is adequate but accept that for a small number of specific roads additional data may be required. Is the collection of additional data DFT guidance or statutory?
- Kendal Town Council's position is to progress 20mph in Kendal regardless of Northern Relief Road Developments and we require a guarantee that CCC share this position.
- Kendal Town Councils preferred approach remains installing a town wide 20mph speed limit via signage initially with reconfiguration considerations after the limit has been introduced.
- Examples from similar towns show signage only approaches can be achieved for less than £250,000. Can CCC provide a costed breakdown of what they would need to implement a signage only scheme?

- Kendal Town Council view arterial roads within the Kendal parish boundary as residential and views the differentiation between arterial and residential as unhelpful and exclusive rather than inclusive for all residents.
- LCWIP national guidance states that 20mph should be considered as a supportive action. Can CCC explain why 20mph has been omitted from Kendal's LCWIP considering that LCWIP's determine future funding for the area?
- CCC have stated that a 10% response rate would be required for a 20mph consultation. This is way above the response rate of any other similar consultation carried out by CCC, why is this the case?

Next Steps

In addition to sending the above the group discussed the following milestones:

1. Continue current dialogue and momentum with CCC Highways via questions above and subsequent meeting.
2. Prepare proposal for shadow authority to consider in May 2023, proposal to include
 - a. Demonstrable public support (including 2015 survey results) and letters of support. This approach is in line with national 20's plenty campaign advice which recommends Highway scheme approval first before raising public expectations)
 - b. Detailed costs
 - c. Request for 2023/24 budget allocation

ACTION: Invite Karen Gee, Kendal Futures and Cllr Thornton to future meetings

ACTION: Confirm terms of reference with Public Education clarification.

ACTION: Confirm questions, send to CCC and arrange next meeting

ACTION: Utilise answers to inform Shadow Authority proposal

Kirkbarrow Connections Project

Purpose

To improve the quality and connectivity of footpaths in Kirkbarrow and surrounding Vicarage Park and Dean Gibson schools.

The following table highlights footpaths to consider for improvement. Map references and visuals are included below. Initial improvement quote to be confirmed when Councillors approve highlighted paths.

Useful info

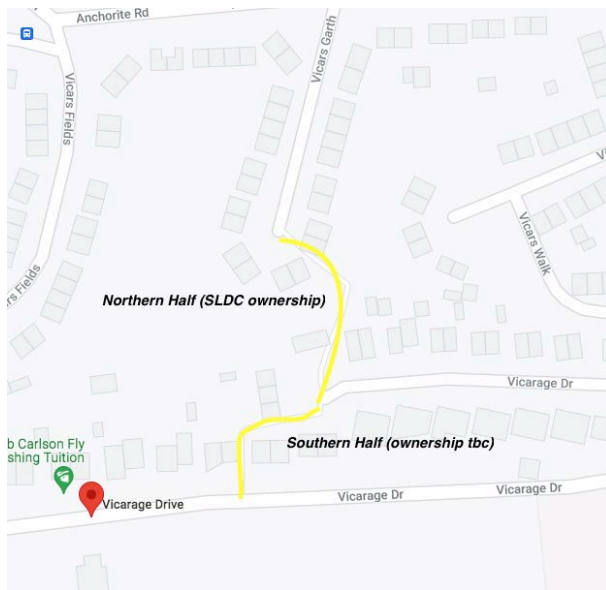
CCC Public Rights of way team are responsible for unsurfaced footpaths if designated as Public Right of Way (PROW).

CCC Highways team are responsible for surfaced footpaths.

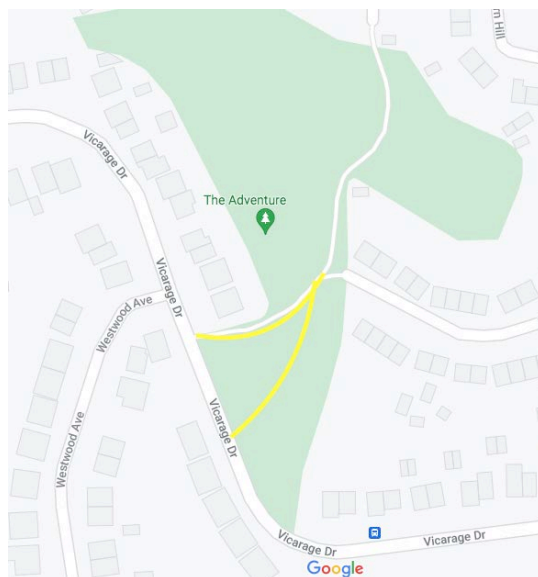
No & map ref	Name	PROW status	Ownership	Condition	Footfall	Quote	Action
1	Vicarage Drive to Vicars Garth	PROW	Unregistered (southern half) SLDC (northern half)	Average. Hard surface.	High (access to Vicarage Park School)	tbc	Confirm southern half ownership Consider removing steps at Vicars Garth access point.
2	Vicarage Drive to the Adventure	none	Fleetwood Ltd, willing to gift to Local Authority.	Poor. Edges need tidying and new surface required to enable wheel access.	High	tbc	SLDC Officers unable to process adoption. KTC to seek SLDC Councillor support. Seek quotes for both paths, likely to action the longest as appears to have highest footfall.
3	Vicarage Drive to Westwood Avenue	PROW	tbc	Good	High	tbc	Consider improving public realm by removing old fence posts.

4	Vicarage Drive to Collinfield Lane	PROW (RHS)	Vicarage Park School	Poor. No surface.	High (school access)	tbc	School confirmed the PROW has a greater footfall than the SLDC owned route. Confirm improvement costs.
5	Long Close to The Adventure	None	SLDC	Fair but narrow.	High (park access)	tbc	Apply for PROW status. Consider improving entrance by replacing Long Close steep steps with ramp.
6	Echo Barn Hill to The Adventure	None	SLDC	Fair but narrow. Condition declines at northern end making wheel access impossible.	High (park access)	tbc	Apply for PROW status Consider widening and improving access point.
7	Collinfield Lane to Vicarage Park Public Fields	None	tbc	Poor.	High (park and school access)	tbc	Consider improvements at access point initially.
8	Vicars Garth to Vicars Park	tbc	tbc	Poor and blocked	tbc	tbc	Arrange site visit with Cllr Finch to understand background. Costs to renstate likely to be high.

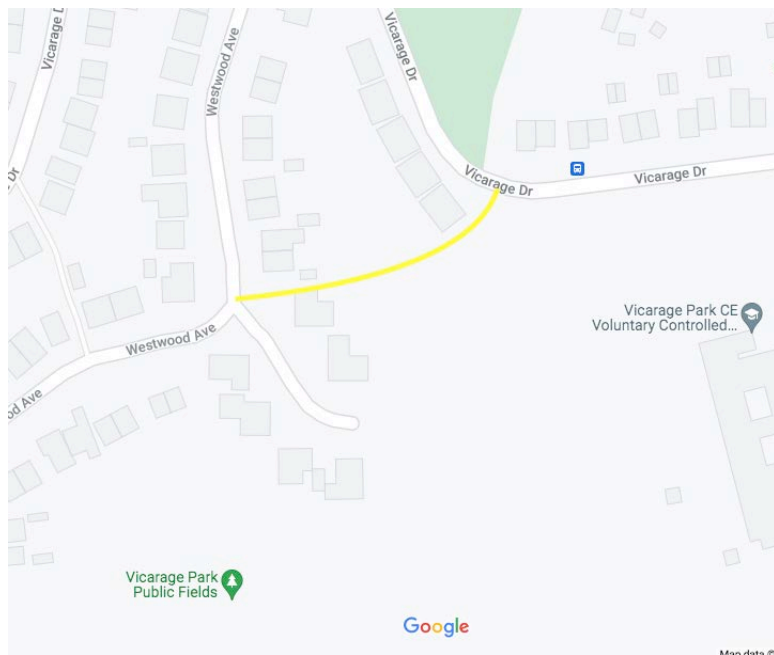
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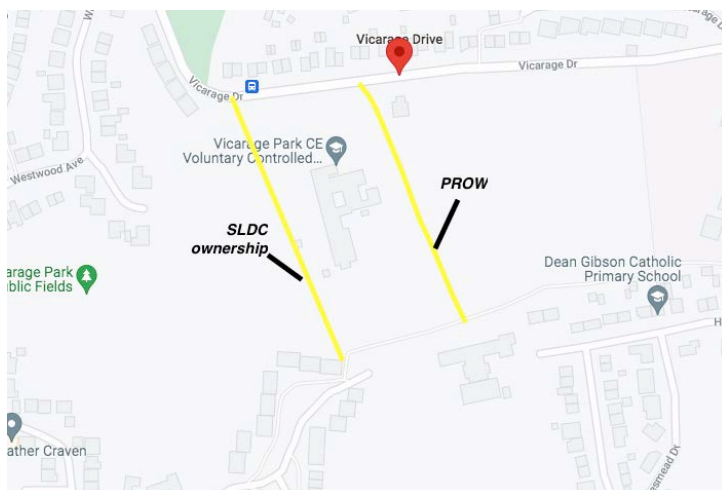
2. Vicarage Drive to the Adventure



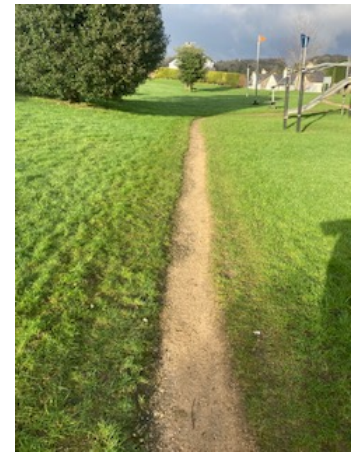
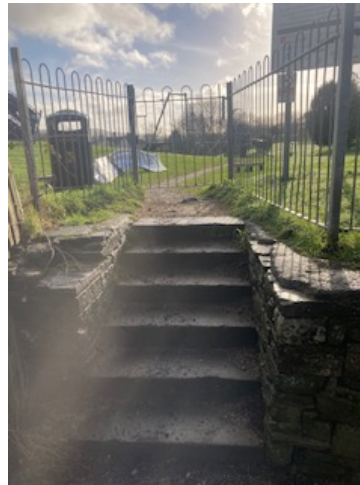
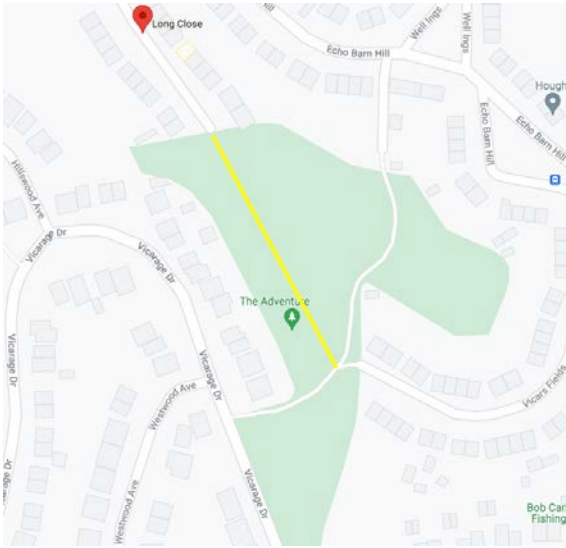
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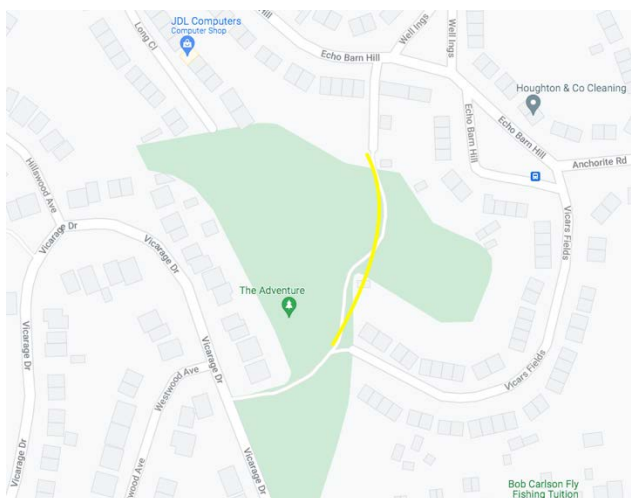
4. Vicarage Drive to Collingfeild Lane



5. Long Close to The Adventure



6. Echo Barn Hill to The Adventure



7. Collinfield Lane to Vicarage Park Public Fields



8. Vicars Field to Vicars Garth





Agenda Report

Committee: Environment & Highways	Meeting Date: 24 th January 2022
From: Project Manager	Agenda No : 7
Description: Infrastructure Maintenance Proposals	

Summary: The committee are asked to approve four proposals to improve signage, railings, green space access and a bus stop.

Current budget £4000

Remaining budget if each proposal is approved £700

1. Woolpack Yard

Background

The new Woolpack Yard sign is in place. Elephant Yard Managers have asked Kendal Town Council to consider adding the logo of a new business Kaw Kaw. Kaw Kaw have agreed a long term lease and Elephant Yard feel small independents should be advertised instead of Boots which as a strong High Street presence.

Proposal

Approve £100 to replace the Boots vinyl with the Kaw Kaw café logo.

2. Signage Improvements SLDC Transfer

Background

In July 2021 a partnership project to improve signage within Kendal was proposed to SLDC. Officers did not want to progress and recommended that Kendal Town Council logged individual cases via the customer connect program as an alternative approach. Kendal Town Council promoted this service in the December newsletter and SLDC received numerous requests for signage improvements. SLDC Officers subsequently have asked to work with Kendal Town Council on a partnership improvement program as previously suggested.

Proposal

Transfer £3000 to SLDC to carry out signage improvements highlighted on the KTC audit. SLDC have confirmed an average costs of £80 per sign, this funding would unlock the improvements of 37 signs which could be prioritised according to impact and or footfall.

3. Railings Improvements

Background



Councillor Giles Archibald has highlighted the following improvements based on resident requests.

Proposal

2.a Repaint Thorney Hill entrance railings £200

2.b Install a hand rail at Triangle Community Garden – costs to be covered by Fellside Forum, the request is for Kendal Town Council to oversee the installation.

2.c Install a hand rail at Fountain Brow – Permission required from Cumbria County Council, Councillors to consider progressing via the 2023/24 budget considering current SLDC signage opportunity and CCC permission timescales.

4. Bus Stop Improvements

Background

Cumbria County Council have approached Kendal Town Council to consider providing seating at the bus stop serving the Westmorland General Hospital. CCC were made aware of the lack of provision by a bus service user who visits the hospital regularly and it would benefit many residents who frequently use the bus to access the hospital. CCC have funding to cover the costs of the purchase and installation of new seating.

Proposal

Approve an application to the Bus Users Funding and the adoption and ongoing maintenance of new seating at the Hospital bus stop.



Agenda Report

Committee: Environment & Highways	Meeting Date: 24 th January 2022
From: Project Manager	Agenda No 8
Description: Composting Proposal	

Summary: The committee are asked to approve the purchase and installation of two composting facilities to serve green spaces.

Current budget, £4855

Remaining budget if each proposal is approved, £3855

1. New Composting Bins

Background

This committee allocated £5,000 towards improving composting facilities in Kendal following the Municipal Composting report prepared by SLACC.

At the previous meeting, approval was given to install a compost bin at Castle Hagg's allotment. This has been installed and well received.

SLDC are supportive of improving the opportunities to compost leaf litter and old plants and have given permission to install bins at Nobles Rest and the Cemetery near the allotments. The Townscape Manager is a Master Composter and will lead sessions with Continental and the Friends of Group to ensure the bins are utilised as intended. Discreet locations have been agreed for both sites. The resulting compost will be used for Kendal's Civic planting.

Proposal

Approve spending of £1,000 to install composting bins at Nobles Rest and the cemetery.