



North Devon Council

Report Date: Monday, 4 November 2024

Topic: Approval and release of S106 Public Open Space Funds - Burrington, Heasley Mill and Lovacott

Report by: Richard Slaney, Leisure Contract and S106 Public Open Space Officer

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. This report seeks to allocate S106 public open space funds to projects in Burrington, Heasley Mill and Lovacott.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1. That Strategy and Resources Committee allocates:

2.1.1. £1,612.84 to Burrington Parish Council towards the cost of installing LED lighting at Burrington Village Green.

2.1.2. £6,595.50 to Heasley Mill Village Hall towards the cost of upgrading windows to double-glazing.

2.1.3. £3,950.00 to Horwood, Lovacott and Newton Tracey Parish Council towards the cost of upgrading the access to Lovacott Playing Field.

2.2. To consider the outcomes of the Equality Impact Assessment as summarised in paragraph 6 of the report.

2.3. Subject to the approval of 2.1 and consideration of 2.2, that Strategy and Resources Committee recommends Council vary the capital programme by £12,158.34 and the funds be released subject to a funding agreement upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed by the Senior Solicitor and Monitoring Officer for external projects.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1. To allocate funds in line with the requirement of the S106 agreements.

3.2. To protect and enhance public open space.

4. REPORT

4.1. Enhancement of Burrington Village Green

4.1.1. Burrington Parish Council have outlined plans to convert pedestrian lighting to energy efficient LED lighting at Burrington Village Green.

4.1.2. This report seeks to allocate Burrington Parish Council with the full £1,612.84 cost required to deliver this enhancement, with Burrington Parish Council required to fund any overspend.

4.2. Heasley Mill Village Hall

4.2.1. Heasley Mill Village Hall have applied for £6,595.50 of the £6,750.00 cost of upgrading their windows from single glazing to double-glazing to improve energy efficiency and user experience at the site.

4.2.2. This report seeks to allocate Heasley Mill Village Hall with £6,595.50, with Heasley Mill Village Hall funding the additional cost and any overspend.

4.3. Lovacott Playing Field

4.3.1. Horwood, Lovacott and Newton Tracey Parish Council have applied for £3,950 to create a formal tarmac entrance path to Lovacott Playing Fields, which is the location for their play area and sports pitch.

4.3.2. The entrance is currently grass and becomes very muddy making it very difficult to access the site for those with mobility issues, push chairs or on bikes.

4.3.3. This report seeks to allocate Horwood, Lovacott and Newton Tracey Parish Council with the full £3,950.00 required to complete the project, with the Parish Council funding any overspend.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

5.1. Enhancement of Burrington Village Green

5.1.1. The total cost of delivering this scheme is £1,612.84. It is proposed that the cost be funded from the following source:

Development Description	Application No	Amount
Land at Golland Farm, Burrington	77570	£1,612.84

5.2. Heasley Mill Village Hall Upgrade

5.2.1. The total cost of upgrading the windows to double glazing are £6,750. It is proposed that £6,595.50 be funded from the sources below and the balance be funded by Heasley Mill Village Hall:

Development Description	Application No	Amount
Lower Poole Barns, Fore Street, North Molton	63543	£0.50
Nadrid Farm, North Molton	75882	£6,595.00

5.3. Lovacott Playing Field Enhancement

5.3.1. The total cost of constructing the new entrance path is £3,950. It is proposed that the costs be funded from the following source:

Development Description	Application No	Amount
Hunters Inn, Newton Tracey	71266	£3,950.00



6. EQUALITIES ASSESSMENT

6.1. The scheme at Heasley Mill Village Hall will improve the ambient temperature for all users; and the scheme at Lovacott Playing Field will improve accessibility.

7. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

7.1. The lighting scheme in Burrington and double glazing scheme at Heasley Mill Village Hall will improve energy efficiency of these community assets.

8. CORPORATE PRIORITIES

8.1. What impact, positive or negative, does the subject of this report have on:

8.1.1. The commercialisation agenda: No impact.

8.1.2. Improving customer focus: The allocation of the S106 Public Open Space funds to these projects benefits the local community and enhances the facility provision and the sustainability of the community assets.

8.1.3. Regeneration or economic development: The projects will use local suppliers where possible and provide investment in local public assets.

9. CONSTITUTIONAL CONTEXT

9.1. Save as provided in paragraph 9.2 below, the decision in respect of the recommendations in this report can be made by this Committee pursuant to delegated powers provided in paragraph 1 of Annexe 1 to Part 3 of the Constitution.

9.2. As noted in the report, the power to decide on one or more of the recommendations in this report is reserved to Council pursuant to Article 4.4 and as such the recommendation must be referred to Council to ratify.

10. STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY

This report contains no confidential information or exempt information under the provisions of Schedule 12A of 1972 Act.

11. BACKGROUND PAPERS

The following background papers were used in the preparation of this report:

- S106 Public Open Space Expression of Interest Form Burrington Parish Council.

- S106 Public Open Space Expression of Interest Form Heasley Mill Village Hall.

- S106 Public Open Space Expression of Interest Form Horwood Lovacott and Newton Tracey Parish Council.



12. STATEMENT OF INTERNAL ADVICE

The author (below) confirms that advice has been taken from all appropriate Councillors and Officers: Richard Slaney, Leisure Contract and S106 Public Open Space Officer.