



**SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL**

Officer Delegated Decision

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Distribution of S106 monies in relation to Stamford Town Council

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Decision made by:	Emma Whittaker, Assistant Director – Planning & Growth
Decision:	To approve the expenditure of the section 106 funds totalling £12,613.42 for the purpose of improvements and upgrades to the existing play area at Stamford Recreation Ground from S106 agreement S12/0438
Public or Exempt:	Public
Reasons for exemption:	N/A
Conflicts of interest:	No
Policy compliant:	Yes
Details of delegation:	Paragraph 20 (Management of Services) in Part 3(c) (Responsibility for Functions – Officer Delegated Powers) of the Council's Constitution provides the Assistant Director with the authority to take this decision

1 Implications

Taking into consideration implications relating to finance; and legal and governance, the following implications have been identified:

Finance

- 1.1 There are sufficient monies being held in the s106 reserves in order to fund the initiatives requested by Stamford Town Council.

Completed by: *David Scott – Assistant Director of Finance and Deputy s151 officer*

Legal and Governance

- 1.2 There are no significant legal or governance implications arising from this decision. The Assistant Director has the necessary authority to take this decision as set out above.

Completed by: *James Welbourn Democratic Services manager*

2 The Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 Stamford Town Council are requesting funds to the value of £12,613.42 improvements, upgrade and maintenance of the existing play area at Stamford Recreation Ground.
- 2.2 The full scope of works to Stamford recreation ground will include; Repairs, refurbishment and maintenance to existing play equipment, Patch repairs and reinstatement of damaged soft play safety surfacing, general improvement and upgrading of the play area infrastructure, Installation of a new inclusive children's roundabout to improve accessibility and inclusive play opportunities.
- 2.3 The site experiences consistently high levels of use throughout the year, particularly during weekends, school holidays and seasonal community activities.
- 2.4 Due to deterioration the repairs are required to maintain safe play conditions, ensure compliance with safety standards, improve accessibility and useability, extend the operational life span and prevent further deterioration.
- 2.5 Such repairs will include attending to service all fixtures and fittings as well as surface areas where there are hazards.



- 2.6 The existing play area provides important recreational opportunities, however there is currently limited provision for children with sensory needs, mobility issues, additional support requirements and wheelchair users,
- 2.7 Stamford Town Council are proposing to combat these limitations with a wheelchair inclusive roundabout and a basket swing seat.



- 2.8 SKDC is in receipt of a Section 106 contribution for the sum of £12,613.42 from S12/0438 and Stamford Town council are asking for the balance to fulfil the quote £12,360.20 (plus VAT) along with the remaining balance of £253.22 for ongoing maintenance costs.
- 2.9 Full details of the above costs have been submitted along with the application; however, funds will only be released up submission of Invoices.
- 2.10 The relevant clauses within the S106 agreement S12/0438, specify the following conditions for the spend of funds:
S12/0438 – The clause states on page 9, third schedule, Part 1, Off site play area contribution – towards the cost of improvements to the play area or upgrade of existing play equipment at recreation ground play area Stamford.

3. Available Options Considered

- 3.1 No other projects or bids for the funds have currently been received, as stated in the terms of the S106 agreement, the proposed use of the S106 contribution to fund the delivery of the works complies with the terms of the planning obligation.

4. Reasons for the Decision(s)

- 4.1 The proposed project has been considered to meet the requirements of the S106 funding specified within the agreements S12/0438. No other competing projects or schemes have been submitted.

Signed by: Emma Whittaker