

ANGUS COUNCIL**RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
ROADS COMMITTEE****16 January 1997
23 January 1997****THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS OF
MARKET AND WEST END PARK, MONTROSE AS PART OF
THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE INNER RELIEF ROAD****REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF RECREATION SERVICES IN CONSULTATION
WITH THE DIRECTOR OF ROADS****ABSTRACT**

As part of the landscape environmental improvement in association with the Montrose Inner Relief Road it is proposed to upgrade Market Park and West End Park, funded by Scottish Enterprise Tayside (SET).

1 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee approve the overall Environmental Improvement proposals for the development of Market Park and West End Park, Montrose and that the offers for the proposals for Phase I received from the Angus Council Contract Services are accepted subject to confirmation of finance by SET.

2 PROPOSALS

As the Committee will no doubt be aware, the development of the Inner Relief Road in Montrose, is nearing completion and the landscape elements of the project are being supported by SET. As part of the landscape proposals associated with the roadworks it was proposed to compliment the developments associated with the road with the environmental improvement of Market Park and West End Park.

In consultation with the Director of Roads, the Director of Planning, Transport and Economic Development, the Director of Property Services and the Director of Recreation Services, proposals have been prepared for environmental improvements of the two parks (see plans displayed). The proposals were developed to compliment cycling proposals which the Director of Roads is preparing for 1997/98 and have been phased accordingly.

3 MARKET PARK PROPOSALS

It is proposed to develop the park with a 3 metre shared use cycletrack running along its frontage, incorporate railings and gates, and provide a back drop of ornamental tree and shrub planting creating a small secure park which contains initially a seating area.

The 2nd phase development will include a toddlers play area, which was previously located in West End Park.

4 WEST END PARK PROPOSALS

It is proposed to enhance the quiet passive nature of the West End Park's promenade with the replanting of the Ornamental tree and shrub border on the east side of the park along with the replacement of the old seating.

In the 2nd phase, the north entrance would be redeveloped in phase with the relocation of the West End Bowling Green and the development of the extended Tesco car park. This would also include the relocation of the play area to Market Park.

5 OVERALL ESTIMATED COSTS

West End Park

West End Park, Phase 1 1996/97	£21,280 (Ground preparation, tree work, planting works and new seating)
West End Park, Phase 2 1997/98	<u>£19,320</u> (Site preparation, new entrance construction and fencing works)
	£40,600

Market Park

Market Park, Phase 1 1996/97/98	£29,000 (Ground preparation, footpath, planting works, new seating, trellis fencing and frontage fencing)
Market Park, Phase 2 1997/98	<u>£18,000</u> (New play area)
	£48,727

<i>Sub Total</i>	<i>£89,327</i>
	<i>4,466 5% contingency</i>
	<u><i>5,450 fees</i></u>
Total Estimated Cost	£99,243

The Environmental Improvements in phase 1 and 2 will be funded by Scottish Enterprise Tayside. The playground work will be funded by Recreation Services through the playground improvement revenue budget and the revenue finance available for winter works for Contract Services. The proposed cycletrack is estimated to cost £6,000 including design and supervision and is separate from above.

Offers for the Phase 1 work have been received from Angus Council's Contract Services and are detailed below:-

West End Park	£19,950	Preparatory ground works, tree and shrub planting, and new bench seats and litter bins
Market Park	£19,870	Preparatory ground works, tree and shrub planting, new bench seats and winter bins, and ornamental trellis fencing

6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost of the Phase 1 and 2 Environmental proposals totalling £70,000 will be funded by SET. The phase 2 Playground costs of £18,000 and the balance of the Environmental Improvement Works of £11,243 will be met by the Recreation Services Revenue budget in 1997/98.

In addition the proposed cycletrack is estimated to cost £6,000 and can be met from Roads Department Capital budget for cycling/pedestrian facilities during the 1997/98 financial year.

7 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive, Director of Law and Administration, Director of Finance, Director of Planning, Transport and Economic Development, Director of Property and Director of Roads have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

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No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing this report.

