

Green Space Work Programme:

Capital investment 2017 -2021

Description	Project Detail	Year	NHDC Capital
Tarmac car park, Walsworth Common, Hitchin	Existing car park in very poor condition. Additional parking will be required when pitch number increases and site becomes the Hitchin hub for football.	2017/18	£30,000
Renovate play area, Jackmans Central, Letchworth	Large play areas in Letchworth serving large housing estate. In need of refurbishment.	2017/18	£75,000
Replace items of equipment, Brook View, Hitchin	Timber items of equipment worn and in need of replacing.	2017/18	£10,000
*Pitch improvements, Walsworth Common, Hitchin	Main football site in Hitchin. Intention to level ground and provide two additional pitches. £20k is capital contribution towards £102,760 project funded by section 106 contributions.	2017/18	£20,000
*Multi Use games area, Bancroft Rec, Hitchin	Capital contribution of £24k towards £170k Multi Use Games Area. Remainder to be funded by section 106 & external grant.	2017/18	£24,000
Total 2017/18			£159,000
Construction of pathway and roadway, Wilbury Hills Cemetery, Letchworth	Required as cemetery expands into new sections. Meets a district wide need.	2018/19	£35,000
Renovate play area, District Park, Gt. Ashby	Main play area for Gt. Ashby in need of refurbishment.	2018/19	£75,000
Replace items of play equipment, Chiltern Road, Baldock	Some items recently removed and in need of replacement.	2018/19	£10,000
**Decommission play areas	Remove equipment from 13 play areas and return to green space.	2018/19	£130,000
**Decommission 4 pavilions identified as beyond economic repair and return to green space	Bakers Close, Baldock. St. Johns Road, Cadwell Lane & Walsworth Common, Hitchin.	2018/19	£120,000
Total 2018/19			£370,000
Renovate play area King George V Recreation Ground, Hitchin	One of the main neighbourhood play areas in Hitchin serving large housing estate. In need of refurbishment.	2019/20	£75,000
Replace items of play equipment Wilbury Recreation Ground, Letchworth	Some items of equipment nearing end of life and in need of replacement.	2019/20	£10,000
Total 2019/20			£85,000
Renovate play area Howard Park, Letchworth	Town centre play with heavy use which causes wear on equipment.	2020/21	£75,000
Replace items of play equipment Holroyd Cres, Baldock	Some items of equipment nearing end of life and in need of replacement	2020/21	£10,000
*New changing rooms, Walsworth Common, Hitchin	Main football site in Hitchin. £300,000 scheme funded by £50K Capital contribution & section 106 contributions / external grants.	2020/21	£50,000

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**Decommission pavilions	Following construction of new Walsworth Common pavilion, decommission Swinburn & Ransoms pavilions and return to green space.	2020/21	£60,000
Total 2020/21			£195,000

* Project is dependant on securing section 106 contributions and or external grants

** Only required not transferred into community ownership.

(NHDC's capital investment for all projects may be reduced if additional section 106/ CIL contributions can be secured)

ITEMS REMOVED FROM GREEN SPACE WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17 & 2017/18:

(Included in Cabinet report 22nd November 2016)

Location	Project Detail	Year	NHDC Capital	Reason for Removal
Icknield Way Cemetery, Letchworth	Reconstruction of pathway and roadway	2016/17	£40,000	Cemetery has reached capacity so has limited use. Suggest minimal future works only if required to maintain safety.
Clothall Road, Baldock	Replace boundary fence & gate	2016/17	£15,000	New boundary fencing and gate would only enhance visual appearance of site and would have limited community benefit.
Swinburne Recreation Ground Hitchin	Pathway, gates, biodiversity	2016/17	£30,000	Non essential work as other disability compliant access routes exist to the common. Would also increase future revenue maintenance cost. Adjacent common already has good range of biodiversity.
King George V Recreation Ground, Hitchin	Repairs to car park, new signage, improve main entrance. Restore electricity to garages.	2016/17	£60,000	Works to car park undertaken by Property Services under car park budget. Remaining works non essential and would have limited community benefit.
Bakers Close Recreation Ground, Baldock	Contribution to a third party to assist them with a £160K refurbishment of pavilion at Bakers Close Recreation Ground.	2016/17	£50,000	No scheme ever developed by a third party. Building is now in an extremely poor condition and is an eye sore. In addition only one football pitch exists

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				at this site so limited benefit in having changing rooms.
Land adjacent Clothall Common, Baldock	New mountain bike track at Clothall Common, on land owned by HCC.	2016/17	£100,000	Will require future revenue contributions for ongoing maintenance. NHDC do not own the land. New district wide wheeled sports facility being constructed in Letchworth from developer contributions.
Walsworth Common, Hitchin	Enhance wheeled sports facility.	2016/17	£20,000	Non essential work as other disability compliant access routes exist to the common. Would also increase future revenue maintenance cost. Adjacent common already has good range of biodiversity.
Baldock Road Recreation Ground Letchworth	Contribution to a third party to assist them construct a new changing pavilion at Baldock Road Recreation Ground.	2016/17	£50,000	No scheme yet developed by a third party. Changing rooms now available at the adjacent Herts FA football ground.
Walsworth Common, Hitchin	£50k capital contribution towards £300K new changing rooms. Remainder to be funded by section 106	2016/17	£50,000	Moved to 2020/21 capital programme.
Hitchin Cemetery	Reconstruction of pathway and roadway	2017/18	£40,000	Cemetery is nearing capacity so will have limited future use. Suggest minimal future work only if required to maintain safety.
Ransoms Recreation Ground, Hitchin	Renew Nightingale Road railings	2017/18	£10,000	Railings were removed approximately 75 years ago. Proposal would only enhance cosmetic appearance of entrance and not improve safety. Would have limited community benefit and increase future revenue cost to maintain them.
Wilbury Recreation Ground, Letchworth	Biodiversity	2017/18	£3,000	Site already has a good covering of scrub for wildlife. Additional scrub and wild flower planting is non essential and would only enhance the visual appearance of site with limited community or

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Temple Gardens Recreation Ground, Letchworth	Improve access	2017/18	£7,000	Proposal is for cosmetic reasons to enhance entrance to site. Would have limited community benefit as fully accessible access to the site already exists.
District Park, Gt. Ashby	Pathways, improve entrance, planting	2017/18	£45,000	Pathways works and planting already programmed and funded by external sources as separate project by CMS using volunteers.
Newmarket Rd Recreation Ground, Royston	Entrance improvements	2017/18	£5,000	Existing entrance is fit for purpose and enhancement would have limited community benefit. May also increase future revenue if additional features were provided.
King George V Recreation Ground, Hitchin	Capital Contribution to Rugby Club towards new pavilion complex	2017/18	£50,000	Item was included in programme prior to the Councils adoption of its current MTFS. May no longer be affordable. Also funding a single Rugby Club for improvements to their pavilion may set a precedent for other sporting clubs in the district.
Newmarket Rd Recreation Ground, Royston	Enhance wheeled sports facility.	2017/18	£20,000	Existing facility is fit for its intended purpose. It has concrete construction and has a long life expectancy. Could increase revenue cost.to maintain additional equipment. Enhancements would only benefit small number of local community.