
SOUTH PARK CARPET BED

Responsible Cabinet Member(s) - Councillor Lee Vasey, Leisure Services Portfolio

Responsible Director(s) - Cliff Brown, Director of Community Services

Purpose of Report

1. To consider applications for the design of the South Park Carpet Bed.

Background

2. The Carpet Bed in South Park is open to community groups for planting displays to promote their organisation. This year one request has been received from:

(a) The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

3. Details of the application is as follows:

(a) The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

This year, the Duke of Edinburgh's Award celebrates its 50th Anniversary. Providing a highly recognised form of accreditation for young people aged between 14 – 25 years, there are over 200 young people in Darlington participating in the Award through schools and youth groups, with 55 regularly attending the Darlington Open Award Centre on a Monday evening at Eastbourne Project Centre.

The aim this year of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Development Officer for Darlington, Judy Bowerbank, is to promote the award so that every young person over the age of 14 is aware of the programme and has the opportunity to participate in a wide range of activities. These activities include helping others in the community, developing practical and social skills and participating in physical recreation.

Outcome of Consultation

4. No consultation has taken place.

Legal Implications

5. This report has been considered by the Borough Solicitor for legal implications in accordance with the Council's approved procedures. There are no issues which the Borough Solicitor considers need to be brought to the specific attention of Members, other than those highlighted in the report.
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Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998

6. The contents of this report have been considered in the context of the requirements placed on the Council by Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, namely, the duty on the Council to exercise its functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its area. It is not considered that the contents of this report have any such effect.

Council Policy Framework

7. The issues contained within this report do not represent change to Council policy or the Council's policy framework.

Decision Deadline

8. For the purpose of the 'call-in' procedure this does not represent an urgent matter

Recommendation

9. It is recommended that the application from the Duke of Edinburgh Award Development Officer to design the South Park Carpet Bed be approved.

Reasons

10. To enable the design and planting of the South Park Carpet Bed to proceed.

Cliff Brown
Director of Community Services

Background Papers

No Background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

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