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23rd July 2007

BRIDGE REFURBISHMENT PROGRAMME 2007/8

Report of the Corporate Director, Regeneration and Culture

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To seek Cabinet approval to spend the 2007/8 Bridge Refurbishment budget.

2. Summary

2.1 Cabinet recommended at their meeting on the 16th May 2005 that, before committing expenditure to the annual Bridge Refurbishment programme, a further report be brought to Cabinet each year for approval. The Bridge Refurbishment funding has been spent on essential repairs to the Braunstone Lane East bridge which has now been completed. This report asks for approval to spend the 2007/8 Bridge Refurbishment budget.

3. Recommendations

3.1 Cabinet is asked to approve the expenditure of the 2007/8 Bridge Refurbishment budget.

4. Financial & Legal Implications

Financial Implications

4.1 There is an approved budget in the Corporate Capital Programme 2007/8 of £17,000 for Bridge Refurbishment.

Contact: Paresh Radia, Finance, Regeneration and Culture, Ext 6507.

4.2 *Legal Implications*

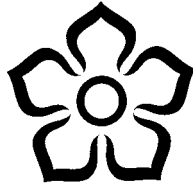
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Key Decision	Yes
Reason	Is significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising more than one ward.
Appeared in Forward Plan	Yes
Executive or Council Decision	Executive (Cabinet)



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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1. Report

1.1 Braunstone Lane East Bridge was in the worst condition of a number of bridges on the Great Central Way footpath and therefore was in need of essential refurbishment to ensure its longevity and therefore the integrity of the footpath that it carries. The remedial works started on the 27th February 2006 and have now been completed successfully.

1.2 The total cost of the scheme (including fees) is £524,000 and this has been funded totally from the Corporate Capital programme (£475,000 from 2005/6, 2006/7 and 2007/8 Corporate Capital Programme together with a carry forward of £49,000 from the 2004/5 Corporate Capital Programme). £158,000 of the 2007/8 allocation was brought forward to 2006/7 leaving £17,000 in the Corporate Capital Programme 2007/8 to complete this work. Officers therefore recommend that Cabinet approve the expenditure of £17,000 from the 2007/8 Bridge Refurbishment programme.

2. Financial and Legal Implications

2.1 *Financial Implications*

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3. Other Implications

OTHER IMPLICATIONS	YES/NO	Paragraph References Within Supporting information
Equal Opportunities	No	
Policy	No	
Sustainable and Environmental	Yes	The proposal forms on improving the quality of life in both the outer areas and the City Centre.
Crime and Disorder	No	
Human Rights Act	No	
Elderly/People on Low Income	No	

4. Background Papers

- Report to Cabinet 16/5/05 entitled 'Corporate Capital Programme (2005/6 to 2007/8)'.
- Report to Cabinet 13/3/06 entitled 'Corporate Capital programme 2006/7 to 2007/8'.

5. Consultations

- Legal Services
- Staff in Regeneration and Culture Dept

6. Risk Assessment Matrix

	Risk	Likelihood L/M/H	Severity Impact L/M/H	Control Actions (if necessary/or appropriate)
1	Weather Conditions	L	L	Plan works at appropriate times
2	Adverse results from consultation with Local Residents and Pressure Groups	L	L	Project planning
3	Conflict with other works eg Statutory Undertakers	L	L	Attend Coordination Meeting

L - Low
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