

BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

From: Head of Housing	Report Number: M103
To: Strategy Committee	Date of meeting: 18 October 2012

2012/13 CAPITAL PROGRAMME

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report seeks approval to implement one capital scheme within the Council's current General Fund.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That capital expenditure from the Council's General Fund be approved to carry out the proposed works outlined in the table in paragraph 8.1 below.

The Committee is able to resolve this matter.

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 There are no financial implications. The proposed works can be funded from existing budgets in 2012/13.

4. Risk Management

- 4.1 This report is most closely linked with the Council's Significant Business Risk No.9 – Management of Projects and Programmes.

- 4.2 Other key risks are set out below:

Risk Description	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation Measures
Potential accidents due to hazards in existing surfacing and cut hazards in existing fencing.	High	Critical	Provide new surfacing and fencing

5. Consultations

- 5.1 The improvement works at Belle Vue Park were identified as a key priority in the consultations of Belle Vue Park users by Babergh in 2011 and discussions with Sudbury Town Council.

6. Equality Analysis

- 6.1 The resurfacing and fencing work will ensure that the Tennis court will be fully compliant with the disabilities Discrimination Act in terms of access.

7. **Shared Service / Partnership Implications**

7.1 There are no shared service/partnership implications affecting or resulting from this procurement.

8. **Key Information**

8.1 Approval is required for: the following scheme to proceed from the Council's General Fund:

Budget 12/13 (£)	Work Category and Scheme	Estimated Cost (£)	Balance of Budget Remaining after approval of these schemes (£)
General Fund: 25,000	Play Equipment (infrastructure): Reconstruction of Tennis Court at Belle Vue Park Sudbury.	 22,849	 2,150

Reconstruction of Tennis Court at Belle Vue Park Sudbury:

8.2 This area of Belle Vue Park is part of originally 3 tennis courts installed pre 1974. One has already been transformed into a basketball court about ten years ago. There has been a gradual deterioration in the surface and fencing of the remaining tennis courts. Both the surfacing and fencing would usually have a life expectancy of 10-20 years depending on its use.

Tenders have therefore been sought to resurface the remaining area and replace the fencing and posts of one of the tennis courts with materials purposely designed for continued tennis court use. The works will take place as soon as approval is obtained from committee. The cost of the project is £22,849.

9. **Appendices**

None.

10. **Background Papers**

None.

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