

## 6Cs Programme of Development Refresh 2008 – Annex F/C Strategic GI Project Information Forms

### Project information requested in the Programme of Development Guidance (August 2008, paragraph 25)

<b>Project title</b>  <b>Nottinghamshire Green Hubs</b>
<b>Lead Organisation</b> <i>(plus other partners)</i>  Notts County Council and Notts City Council Borough, Parish and Town Councils Friends Groups Land Restoration Trust Forestry Commission Emda English Partnerships
<b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i>  Upgrade/ refreshment of existing and creation of new strategic 'Green Hub' sites to include Country parks and Forest parks, accessible via 'green spoke'/linear route and/or adjacent to population centres. These sites will be strategic in size and scope of provision and achieve exemplar standards in terms of design and maintenance.  The project objectives include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To create high quality provision of recreation sites</li><li>• To enhance biodiversity and Landscape Character</li><li>• To provide facilities that are accessible to all.</li><li>• To engage local community in development and management.</li></ul> Example projects include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gedling Country Park - Provision of a new country park bordering Gedling and Arnold, immediately adjacent to both green belt and proposed 1100 new homes on former colliery site.</li><li>• Regeneration of Bullwell Hall- completion of master plan followed by physical regeneration of this site on northern urban fringe of Nottingham</li><li>• Holme Pierrepont Campus- proposed redevelopment of water sports centre and adjacent land to provide Country Park and conference/ sporting facilities. Feasibility work for this multi million pound projects are well advanced and outline project proposals being prepared.</li><li>• Cotgrave Country Park – Refurbishment of Cotgrave Country Park. The site is immediately adjacent to new housing development on the former colliery site, and would form a destination along proposed 'green spoke' south from Nottingham City.</li></ul>

<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b></p> <p><b>Revenue Costs 08/09 onwards</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Assume advance design, master planning, feasibility and environmental/topographical and structural surveys. Average cost £50,000 per year for an average of 2 sites developed per year</li> <li>2. Commuted sum/ revenue provision for ongoing maintenance assume average of £250 000 per site. (some contribution would also be made to revenue costs from visitor facilities eg café, cycle hire etc)</li> </ol> <p><b>Capital 09/10 onwards</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Assume would include land acquisition if applicable, planning application, design, contract mgt fees and construction costs. If average of 2 sites completed each year, construction over 2 years, at cost £1.5 /year</li> </ol>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b></p> <p>Assumption that match funding would be available at 50% for ongoing revenue management and capital (2 and 3 above) costs from External regeneration and funders eg ERDF (European), Brownfield Land Action Plan (emda), regional regeneration initiatives inc GNP, Local Authorities, Heritage Lottery and other grant funders.</p> <p>Contribution from Growth fund would therefore be:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. £50,000 pa</li> <li>2. £125,000 pa</li> <li>3. £750,000 pa</li> </ol>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b></p> <p>The necessary development and feasibility phase is difficult to resource by project lead organisation in climate of current ongoing revenue budget cuts. This vital first step will enable strategic scale and deliverable project proposals to be worked up to a stage where additional funding can be sought and feasibility/ benefit can be assured.</p> <p>Funding from Growth fund at the Capital stage, will help lever in other external funding and ensure that high project quality is achieved.</p>
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<p>Lottery and other grant funders. Approximately 3.5m secured for Gedling colliery site, subject to land transfer. completion</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>08/08 onwards – programme of project development and feasibility 09/10 onwards - construction phase rolling programme 10/11 onwards - ongoing maintenance and management rolling programme</p>

<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p><b>Nottinghamshire Green Spokes</b></p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation</b> <i>(plus other partners)</i></p> <p>Nottinghamshire County Council Nottinghamshire City Council Countryside Access Forum District Councils, Sustrans Town and Parish Councils Emda Friends groups, Forestry Commission</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i></p> <p>This project programme will provide a series of strategic linear routes radiating from Nottingham and other urban centres into the countryside and/or to country park and urban fringe recreation sites, both new and existing.</p> <p>The objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide safe sustainable access from existing and proposed centres of population to leisure and countryside sites</li> <li>• To provide green ribbons of habitat</li> <li>• To create leisure opportunity that is healthy and available to all</li> <li>• To enhance the ecological and landscape character of the wider landscape</li> <li>• To enhance the network of routes for utility journeys eg Safe routes to schools, work etc</li> <li>• To reclaim and enhance existing neglected and unsightly land</li> </ul> <p>It is envisaged that these routes would complement more local provision of linear routes to be provided through HMA development of more local sites.</p> <p>Specific project proposals include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bestwood Estate on in the North of the city north to Calverton on former mineral railway line via Bestwood Country Park, Mill Lakes near Hucknall, Papplewick Pumping Station, Burnt Stump country Park,</li> </ul>

<p>Proposed Forestry Commission country Park at Calverton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• South from Nottingham via Holme Pierrepont, and Radcliffe on Trent to Cotgrave Country Park, intersecting with the Grantham Canal to provide a link back to Gamston and West Bridgford.</li> <li>• Bingham to Belvoir Trail south from a starting point at Bingham Linear Trail into the Vale of Belvoir, giving access to Grantham Canal and the National Cycle network. The trail would use the line of the old Melton to Bingham railway along with quiet lanes and rights of way.</li> </ul> <p>The routes would help deliver wider strategies and plan including Rights of Way Improvement Plan,(Notts CC), Brownfield Lands Action Plan (emda), Strategic Cycle network (Notts CC)</p>
<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b></p> <p><b>Revenue 08/09 onwards</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Assume advance design, feasibility and environmental/ topographical and structural surveys. Average cost £40,000 per year for an average of 1.5-2 routes developed per year</li> <li>5. Commuted sum/ revenue provision for ongoing maintenance assume average of £500 000 per trail.</li> </ol> <p><b>Capital 09/10 onwards</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Assume would include land acquisition if applicable, planning application, design, contract mgt fees and construction costs. If average of 1.5 to 2 routes completed each year, construction over 2 years, at cost £1.5-2m/year</li> </ol>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b></p> <p>Assumption that match funding would be available at 50% for ongoing revenue management and capital (2 and 3 above) costs from External regeneration and funders eg ERDF (European), Brownfield Land Action Plan (emda), regional regeneration initiatives inc GNP, Local Authorities. Contribution from Growth fund would therefore be:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. £40,000 pa</li> <li>5. £250,000 pa</li> <li>6. £1,000,000 pa</li> </ol>
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**Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding**

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**Timeframe for delivery**

08/08 onwards – programme of project development and feasibility  
 09/10 onwards - construction phase rolling programme  
 10/11 onwards - ongoing maintenance and management rolling programme

**Project title**

**Ashby Canal Restoration – Snarestone to Measham**

**Lead Organisation (plus other partners)**

Leicestershire County Council.  
 Partners include British Waterways, Heart of the National Forest Foundation, National Forest Company, Ideal Country Homes, North West Leicestershire District Council, Measham Development Trust, Hanson/Red Bank Manufacturing Co, Ashby Canal Association etc.

**Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.**

This is a first phase of the project to restore the Ashby Canal from its current terminus at Snarestone northwards for a distance of 4.5 km to a new canal wharf at Measham. The project is the first step in the physical implementation of work to achieve the four key objectives of the restoration project which are;

1. To advance and accelerate continuing economic regeneration of the area and contribute to rural diversification and social inclusion through opportunities for leisure, recreation, learning and skills.
2. To provide a green gateway to the National Forest and develop and link recreational tourism facilities.
3. To improve the environmental quality of the area.
4. To provide a recreational, cultural and social resource for the local community.

The above objectives are quantified in the Project Business Plan in terms of outputs for the overall scheme including £6.7m of inward investment, over 150 temporary and over 70 permanent jobs, reclamation of 11.6ha of derelict land, £2.7m pa of visitor expenditure etc.

The restoration will create a strategic access for all recreational corridor linking Hinckley to the National Forest west of Loughborough and Coaville. It will extend the canal corridor into the National Forest to Measham. The scheme is an integrated approach to the provision of recreation, sport and tourism for existing and proposed new communities in the region It will link with, and add value to, existing and emerging facilities within the Heart of the National Forest Park to provide a regional recreational resource.

**Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital**  
 The project has an estimated capital cost of £13 million and is proposed to be phased over 5 years as follows 2008/09 – 300k, 2009/10 – 2m, 2010/11 – 3m, 2011/12 – 3.7m, 2012/13 – 4m.

**Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year**

2008/09 – £100,000  
 2009/10 - £200,000  
 2010/11 – £200,000  
 2011/12 – £200,000  
 2012/13 - £200,000

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

The is a substantial commitment to the project from public, private and voluntary organisations but match funding is also needed and finance from the growth fund is required to lever funding from other sources and to enable implementation of the scheme within the growth point timescale so that the canal will be available to serve new communities.

**Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding**

Substantial investment has been made into the project following the making of a Transport and Works Act Order for the scheme to enable design and development work to proceed to tender stage for a first phase of restoration from Snarestone to Illot Wharf (plans attached). This funding has included £250,000 from Leicestershire County Council and smaller contributions from Ashby Canal Trust, Ashby Canal Association, Inland Waterways Association, Community Foundation, National Forest Company, Measham Development Trust etc.

Funding has been provided for land acquisition for construction of the canal from Snarestone to Measham. The funding has been provided by emda (£850,000) and the National Forest Company (£95,200).

An Ashby Canal scratch card lottery is running successfully with funding provided by private sponsorship and cards sold through a wide range of outlets in the area. Substantial private sector investment (estimated at c£1.7m) will also be linked to a proposed mixed use development of Measham Wharf (through a joint veture agreement) in the final phase of restoration of the canal to Measham.

Further substantial funding will be sought from a range of sources including those identified above and private sector funding linked to potential development in and around Measham.

**Timeframe for delivery**

The project is proposed to be delivered in a phased way over five years as follows with funding as set out above.

Snarestone connection – spring 2009  
 Snarestone to Illot Wharf autumn 2009 – summer 2010  
 Illot Wharf to Measham Marina – winter 2010 – summer 2011  
 Measham Marina to Measham Station – autumn 2011 – summer 2012  
 Measham Station to Measham Wharf – summer 2012 - spring 2013

**Project title**

Trent River Park

**Theme**

Strategic River Corridors

**Lead Organisation (plus other partners)**

Membership of TRP Partnership:

- Nottinghamshire County Council
- Severn Trent Water Ltd
- Nottingham Regeneration Ltd
- Nottingham City Council
- British Waterways
- Gedling Borough Council
- Nottingham Development Enterprise
- Rushcliffe Borough Council
- Environment Agency
- OnTrent Partnership
- Broxtowe Borough Council
- Greater Nottingham Partnership
- Groundwork Greater Nottingham

**Project Objectives** *please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.*

The River Trent is a key element of the distinctiveness of Nottingham City and the Greater Nottingham area. The vision for the Trent River Park (TRP) is to fully realise the potential of this enormous asset as:

- an amenity of regional significance for residents, visitors and tourists
- a sporting location of potentially national significance
- an exemplar for conservation and sustainability of the natural environment
- a catalyst for regeneration, sustainable development and job creation
- a marketing and inward investment tool for Greater Nottingham

Delivering the TRP vision represents an overarching strategic Green Infrastructure objective for the Nottingham Housing Market Area. TRP incorporates a number of projects that will collectively help to deliver the vision. A key element within the overall TRP strategy is the 'Ozone'; a project to turn Victoria Embankment and The Meadows into a carbon-neutral community. Other elements of TRP are organised into water, environment, access & education and regeneration themes, and include major landmark projects such as potential river crossings for pedestrians and cyclists. TRP links with a number of strategic growth locations – including all 3 Regeneration Zones allocated within the Nottingham Local Plan, numerous strategic brownfield sites and strategic future growth locations.

**Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital****Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year**

2009/10 - £150,000 sought to undertake feasibility and detailed design/development work for key strategic projects within the TRP masterplan.

It is further estimated that up to around £1million per annum could be utilised for the implementation of specific projects within TRP.

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

Growth fund contributions are sought to undertake feasibility and detailed design/development work and for the implementation of key strategic projects within the TRP masterplan.

<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b></p> <p>Other potential funding sources include Local Transport Plan and the HMA Programme for future years.</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>Phased delivery of key TRP projects is envisaged throughout the duration of the Growth Point programme.</p>
<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p>Trent Valley Way - linking the growth points through the city</p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b></p> <p>On Trent Forum - supported by Notts CC and Nottm City Council</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</b></p> <p>To create a linear route from Clifton through to Rushcliffe (Gunthorpe) along the River Trent (as part of the development of the whole River). Route to be accessible to all and link in with public transport spurs and developing local loops, connecting communities and bring sustainable benefits. Interpretation, communality engagement and environmental education are benefits alongside the economic drivers of having a flagship route running through the city.</p> <p>NB - consultants are currently drawing up the potential for this route identify areas where works are required and where key links can be made.</p>
<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b></p> <p>Upgrading of route = £250,000  Problem solving and creating new linkages = £500,000  Revenue = £50,000 per year</p>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b></p> <p>90% = £675,00</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b></p> <p>The route links growth point areas together, brings about a benefit for green infrastructure, provides a conduit for travel and economic growth, helps to establish a sense of place.</p>

<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources</b>, <i>particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</i></p> <p>Local Transport Plan, Section 106 contributions. Match funding from expenditure already sourced for consultants.</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>Once the plan has been finished by the consultants, the works are planned to start in 09/10 depending on available funding.</p>

<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p><b>Nottinghamshire Green Chain</b></p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation</b> <i>(plus other partners)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nottinghamshire County Council, plus others to include:</li> <li>• Rushcliffe Borough Council</li> <li>• Ashfield District Council</li> <li>• Broxtowe Borough Council</li> <li>• Gedling Borough Council</li> <li>• Greenwood Community Forest</li> <li>• Local “Friends” and other community groups</li> </ul>
<p><b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i></p> <p>The project will support the creation/enhancement of GI assets at a local level, in a way that adds to and links with other, more strategic GI projects. This project is therefore intended to complement the Nottinghamshire “Green Hubs” and “Green Spokes” proposals, encouraging the development of smaller scale projects that are nonetheless targeted in line with strategic needs.</p> <p>The objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To create new small-medium areas of green infrastructure that link with more strategic provision.</li> <li>• To encourage changes in environmental management from derelict, underused or agricultural land to a richer mix of semi natural habitats.</li> <li>• To improve the quality of existing green infrastructure.</li> <li>• To enable local people to play an active part within the 6C GI process, whether as private landowners or as community stakeholders.</li> </ul> <p>This project will help with delivery of sustainable growth by enabling community involvement in a meaningful way, alongside environmental enhancement and housing growth.</p> <p>Individual projects will be developed in line with the emergence of the overall strategy for 6C growth and green infrastructure. Indicative projects could include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A “Green Chain Land Change Fund” to encourage private landowners to change land use in strategically targeted areas to accessible green infrastructure including woodland and other semi natural habitats.</li> <li>2. A “Green Chain Community Enhancement Fund” to enable community groups to improve the quality of existing green infrastructure, eg by improving management, accessibility, or</li> </ol>

<p>interpretation of sites, particularly where this can be done in tandem with other sites in the same area.</p> <p>3. Locally identified projects, eg access links between Mill Lakes (Green Spokes proposal) and Hucknall (Open Spaces proposal).</p>																	
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<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b></p> <p>If landowners are to be persuaded to change land use to a less productive, more public-good use in line with GI aspirations, then they will require an element of financial compensation. Community groups do not generally have great resources to draw on and will require funding if to develop GI projects of sufficient ambition and quality to complement strategic projects.</p>																	
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<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>2008/09: Development work to stimulate project proposals. 2009/10: Project year 1 2010/11: Project year 2 2011/12: Project year 3</p>																	

<p><b>Project title</b> <b>Swadlincote Green Connections</b></p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b> South Derbyshire District Council – SDDC (lead) National Forest Company BTCV Derbyshire Wildlife Trust</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</b></p> <p>Description: To create a physical link between existing green spaces in the Swadlincote urban core, to create a continuous green circuit in the built-up area. Work will include creation of new paths and improvements to existing paths, signage/interpretation and planting. The sites are owned by SDDC and comprise Sandhills, Eureka Park, Midway Fishponds, Swadlincote Woodlands, The Common, Maurice Lea Memorial Park and Gresley Woods. They form a circuit accessible from the town centre, and also pass through a number of residential areas to</p>

provide greenspace to a large catchment. The inter-connection of these spaces will mean that they are viewed as a holistic and connected entity, rather than separate sites, which will increase their significance in the Swadlincote landscape.

These open spaces are all locally significant and provide a vital role in terms of recreation and amenity and as wildlife corridors. These sites are close in terms of geography, but there are poor links between them (e.g. physical route/signage). This project would strengthen the connectivity between these key sites, and provide physical links between them, through improved access, signage and landscaping. The planting would provide the green routes for wildlife to travel along, to enhance the habitat mosaic of the urban area.

Swadlincote has seen a significant increase in population over the past 15 years, and is continuing to grow with large new housing developments under construction, with more neighbourhoods planned. This growing populace is on the doorstep of these significant green/open spaces. The town lies well within the National Forest and this project would provide a valuable contribution to the infrastructure of the development of the Forest.

A number of partners are involved already in these sites, either through management or development, and there is a growing interest in the community to take an active involvement in the management of our open spaces.

In terms of strategic planning, this would be seen as a locally significant project and would deliver against South Derbyshire Open Space Strategy, National Forest Urban Forest Strategy and will be a key element of the emerging Core Strategy as the LDF develops.

**Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital**

2008/09	£25,500 Capital
2009/10	£72,600 Capital
2010/11	£586,900 Capital

**Total**                      **£685,000**

**Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year**

2008/09	£33,100
2009/10	£60,000
2010/11	£100,000

**Total**                      **£193,100**

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

Without the funding from this source the project is not likely to happen on this scale. Small elements of the project may be carried out, but the overall approach would be piecemeal and would lack in significance and impact. This project would seem to deliver strongly against many of the 8 core themes for GI, and would contribute greatly to providing a valuable green asset for the Swadlincote area.

**Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding**

Lottery (Breathing places £10,000 committed)  
 Landfill Tax (£50,000 potential - Sandhills)  
 Heritage Lottery (up to £1mill potential – Eureka Park)  
 In Kind contributions – Volunteer time (all sites)  
 S106 contributions – committed and potential

**Timeframe for delivery**

The project will be delivered in phases over the next three years. The smaller sites which have some funding in place have been selected to be carried out initially, with the larger projects which rely on successful external funding applications (e.g. Eureka Park) scheduled for years 2 & 3. Linkages would be developed according to complexity, in relation to e.g. land ownership issues or other permissions (e.g. planning).

**Project title**

**Edible Landscapes**

**Lead Organisation (plus other partners)**

South Derbyshire District Council – SDDC (lead)  
Parish Councils  
Local Allotment/Horticultural Associations  
PCT

**Project Objectives** *please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.*

## Description:

To secure land and develop new allotment sites in areas of high population growth to meet increasing demand. Over the past 2 years, there has been a growing interest from residents in taking on allotment plots, however the demand is far exceeding supply. We have had to close our waiting lists for our 7 Statutory sites, and Parish Council managed sites and private sites are experiencing the same issues. We have also recently delivered pilot projects to develop community allotment plots and work with schools, which has shown the potential for opening up these normally semi-private sites to more public access and use.

This is a particular issue in areas of high residential growth, particularly Hilton, Findern & Willington, Aston and the Swadlincote urban area. All these areas have experienced recent large-scale housing development or have new developments planned. The demand for open/green/recreational space within new developments tends to put pressure on other land use such as allotments, and the only way to provide new sites is to undertake land acquisition or enter into long-term leases from local farmers.

Allotments form an important part of the landscape – a mix between productive landscapes, with social, economic, environmental and health benefits and places valuable for wildlife, with hedgerows and an abundance of vegetation to support it. They encourage community cohesion, provide a sense of community and give people with the opportunity to grow their own food within a secure and planned environment.

We would look for the sites to become locally managed, with support from partners, and seek to provide plots for community groups and schools as well as individual plots. This will ensure the long-term sustainability of the sites for the benefit of the local community.

**Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital**

2009/10	£50,000 Capital
2010/11	£75,000 Capital

**Total**                      **£125,000**

<b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b>	
2009/10	£30,000
2010/11	£50,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>£80,000</b>
<b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b>	
Without the funding from this source the project is unlikely to happen within a reasonable timescale. There are small pots of grant funding available, but would require people from the community coming forward to form constituted groups and applying themselves. This wouldn't address the immediate need for large new sites, and land acquisition from farmers on land adjacent to housing areas is the only likely solution to provide the necessary space. The Growth Fund would act as a catalyst and unlock other funding and allow the projects to deliver in a shorter timescale to meet the immediate need.	
<b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b>	
Lottery (£20,000 Local Food - potential) Landfill Tax (£25,000 - potential) In Kind contributions – Volunteer time (all sites)	
<b>Timeframe for delivery</b>	
The project would be delivered on a site by site basis as suitable land is identified. Dependant on market forces and land availability, we would look at delivering two sites in year 2, and three in year 3.	

<b>Project title</b>
<b>Derwent Valley Greenway</b>
<b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b>
Derbyshire County Council  British Waterways Board Derwent Valley Heritage Trust Leicestershire County Council
<b>Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</b>
The creation of a high quality multi-user trail in a green corridor (Greenway) linking Derby City Riverside Path to Leicestershire giving local communities access to local green space.  Phase 1 will provide a new route between Shardlow and the new Long Horse Bridge crossing of the River Trent. This is a key length of Greenway which will be used by the Midshires Way, Derwent Valley Heritage Way, local commuters, tourists and local communities. It links Derby to Leicester with a possible future link to Nottingham.

<b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b>			
All costs are Capital – Total Cost £150,000			
	08/09	09/10	10/11
Design and Construction	10,000	50,000	90,000
<b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b>			
	08/09	09/10	10/11
	5,000	25,000	70,000
<b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b>			
The current funding package is insufficient to complete the programme of works and take full advantage of the opportunity to develop an important Greenway link along the Derwent Valley linking Derby, Nottingham and Leicester			
<b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b>			
£50,000 Derbyshire County council			
<b>Timeframe for delivery</b>			
A three year programme starting in 2008/9			

<b>Project title</b>
Elvaston Castle Country Park
<b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b>
Derbyshire County Council
<b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i>
To improve facilities at the park, restore the historic grade II* listed garden, address drainage issues and provide an alternative visitor centre / facilities.
A key recreation site on the outskirts of Derby City and adjacent to new housing areas. The Castle and building are to be put to an alternative commercial use whilst the park is to be retained for community use. After many years of high levels of use the park needs bringing up to modern standards and preparing for additional users from new residential areas on the east of Derby City. A long term programme of works is being prepared.

<b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b>			
<b>All Scheme Costs are Capital £5,500,000</b>			
	<b>2009/10</b>	<b>2010/11</b>	<b>2011/12</b>
Survey/design works	75,000	50,000	50,000
Drainage/Groundworks	325,000	1,600,000	1,600,000
Planting/landscaping	100,000	850,000	850,000
<b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b>			
	<b>2009/10</b>	<b>2010/11</b>	<b>2011/12</b>
	200,000	900,000	1,150,000
<b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b>			
The current funding package is insufficient to complete the programme of works and take full advantage of the opportunity to develop an important element of green infrastructure in the region of national and international significance			
<b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b>			
Derbyshire County Council £1,000,000			
Private Sector Partner £2,750,000			
<b>Timeframe for delivery</b>			
A three year project commencing in 2009/10.			

<b>Project title</b>
<b>Great Northern Greenway Phase II</b>
<b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b>
Derbyshire County Council
Derby City Council
Sustrans
Erewash Borough Council
<b>Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</b>
The Great Northern Greenway is the creation of a 12.8km high quality multi-user trail in a green corridor (Greenway) linking Derby City to Ilkeston giving local communities access to local green space.
Phase 2 will take the Greenway through Stanley village, close to West Hallam & the Storage Depot and to Manners Industrial Estate. There will be links to the Nutbrook Trail, Kirk Hallam Meadows, Straws Bridge, Shipley Country Park, Cotmanhay Linear Park, Oakwood, Broomfield College and other parks along the route.

<b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b>			
<b>All Costs are Capital – 541,000</b>			
	<b>2009/10</b>	<b>2010/11</b>	<b>2011/12</b>
<b>Design</b>	25,000		
<b>Construction</b>		200,000	316,000
<b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b>			
	<b>2009/10</b>	<b>2010/11</b>	<b>2011/12</b>
	10,000	150,000	147,000
<b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b>			
The current funding package is insufficient to complete the programme of works and take full advantage of the opportunity to develop an important Greenway link between Derby and Ilkeston.			
<b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b>			
EBC	£5,000		
Highways	£120,000		
Co Cap	£20,000		
LTP	£25,000		
<b>Timeframe for delivery</b>			
This is a three year project commencing in 2009/10			

<b>Project title</b>
Ripley Railway Greenway Phase I
<b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b>
Derbyshire County Council  Derby City Council Amber Valley Borough Council Sustrans
<b>Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</b>
This project will create a 6.8km high quality multi-user trail in a green corridor (Greenway) linking Little Eaton to Ripley along the former Ripley Railway line to give local communities and visitors access to local green space and the new developments at Cinderhill. In future years this will be extended into Derby to improve the current links.  The Ripley Railway Greenway also forms part of the National Cycle Network as route 54.

<p>The project will construct a new section of Greenway and remove dereliction on the former railway. The trail will have new drainage, an all weather surface and be lit where appropriate so as to provide a facility available for walking and cycling as part of a sustainable transport network. Any associated land will be developed into public open areas and / or woodland after consultation with the local communities. Design works are in hand. The new Greenway will link to other trails and Rights of Way in the area. The new Greenway will start on the edge of Derby City adjacent to the A38 (where it connects to the Derby City cycleway network) and follow on or parallel to the old railway line through Little Eaton as far as Station Road at Denby. Further phases, already in planning, will take the Greenway through Denby Hall development and on into Ripley via the existing Greenway.</p> <p>The trail will be constructed using a secondary aggregate made from recycled demolition waste.</p>		
<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b></p>		
<p><b>All work is Capital Funding - £500,000</b></p>		
	<b>2009/10</b>	<b>2010/11</b>
Design, Legal etc	25,000	
Preparatory Groundwork	45,000	
Construction	130,000	250,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>250,000</b>	<b>250,000</b>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b></p>		
2009/10	£100,000	
2010/11	£100,000	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£200,000</b>	
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b></p> <p>The current funding package is insufficient to complete the programme of works and take full advantage of the opportunity to develop an important Greenway link between Derby and Ripley</p>		
<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b></p> <p>Derbyshire County Council</p> <p>£100,000 – LTP</p> <p>£50,000 – Other Sources</p> <p>£150,000 – EMDA</p>		
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>Phase 1 of the Ripley Railway Greenway would be delivered over 2 years, commencing in 2009/10.</p>		

<b>Project title</b>			
<b>Cromford Canal (High Peak Junction to Ambergate) Access to Wildlife</b>			
<b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b>			
Derbyshire County Council			
Natural England			
A liaison group with other potential stakeholders is currently being formulated. (Local councils and interest groups)			
<b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i>			
<p>The Cromford Canal (Cromford to Ambergate) is a Site of Special Scientific Interest as well as being part of an existing greenway network in the west of the County which includes the High Peak and Tissington Trails. The canal and trails attract significant numbers of visitors from the Derby Nottingham and Leicester area being on the southern fringe of the national park.</p> <p>The project is to build on an existing proposal that aims to improve the physical and ecological condition of the canal. This proposal aims to make the next step of improving access on the section between High Peak Junction and Ambergate (to access for all standards) so visitors who may previously had restricted access, by real or perceived barriers, can appreciate and enjoy the landscape and ecology of the canal.</p> <p>The canal is served by three railway stations on the Matlock line (Cromford, Whatstandwell and Ambergate) and by Trans Peak bus services on the A6 and is easily reached from the three cities by public transport.</p>			
<b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b>			
<b>All work is capital</b>	2008/9	2009/10	2010/11
Ecological work in the canal	20 000	30 000	30 000
Towpath Improvements	0	38 000	50 000
	<b>20 000</b>	<b>68 000</b>	<b>90 000</b>
<b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b>			
2008/9	10 000		
2009/10	34 000		
2010/11	45 000		

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

The current funding package is insufficient to complete the programme of works and take full advantage of the opportunity to upgrade the canal infrastructure particularly the condition of the towpath.

**Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding**

A three year funding package is currently in place for the period 2008 – 2011 which is aimed at stabilising and preserving the canal structure and some access improvements. This application is for additional work that will further improve access and build on the work already planned.

**Funding**

<b>EMDA</b>	<b>£417 500</b>
<b>DCC</b>	<b>£279 000</b>
<b>Private sector</b>	<b>£104 000</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 800 500</b>

**Timeframe for delivery**

Three year programme commencing in the current financial year.

**Project title**

**Preparation and Implementation of a new vision and action plan for the Heart of The National Forest.**

**Lead Organisation (plus other partners)**

National Forest Company (NFC) and the Heart of the National Forest foundation (laed officer Clive Kable – NFC).

**Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.**

The National Forest including the Heart of the Forest, around Ashby and Swadlincote, is an agreed focal point for investment in green infrastructure. The study and subsequent works will improve the potential for sustainable tourism and recreation for local people and the residents of the nearby cities of Derby and Leicester together with growth points in Coalville and Loughborough.

**Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital**

2008/09 - £80,000 (revenue, consultancy)  
 2009/10 - £110,000 (capital, site development and visitor/recreation infrastructure)  
 2010/11 - £110,000 (capital, site development and visitor/recreation infrastructure)

<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b>  2008/09 - £40,000 (revenue)  2009/10 - £55,000 (capital)  2010/11 - £55,000 (capital)</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b>  The NFC and Forestry Commission does not currently have the funds (in sufficient quantity) to commission and develop this work, without it, potential green infrastructure opportunities could be lost.</p>
<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b>  NFC, HNFF, LSEP, DDEP, FC – 2008/09 £40,000 (indicative)   NFC, HNFF – 2009/11 £110,000 (indicative)</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b>  Action plan to be completed by April 2009. Capital works to follow in 2009/10 and 2010/11</p>

<p><b>Project title</b>  National Forest GI Land Acquisition Programme</p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b>  National Forest Company (NFC). The NFC typically purchases land in partnership with organisations such as the Forestry Commission, Woodland Trust, Wildlife Trust and Local Authorities.</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</b>  Land acquisition to develop new community woodlands/greenspace related to the growth agenda in the National Forest. Projects will leave in perpetuity public benefits by creating new accessible greenspace, biodiversity enhancement, landscape improvement and opportunity for community/educational involvement.</p>
<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b>  15ha of land per year @ £375,000 (£225,000 capital land cost; £75,000 site development cost; £75,000 5 years maintenance cost).   TOTAL 3 YEAR COST = £1,125,000</p>

<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b>                      50% contribution per financial year = £187,500 (£562,000 total over 3 years).</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b>                      The National Forest is a strategic GI resource for the whole 6Cs area. It is also due to take significant growth itself (est. 24,000 houses). Growth Fund money is requested to help offset the impacts of growth and to provide a strategic, overall GI resource for the wider 6Cs public to enjoy.</p>
<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b>                      50% funding would be provided by the NFC with possible contributions from other partner organisations and other bodies, dependent upon the location of where land is bought.</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b>                      An annual rolling programme of delivery from 2008 to 2011.</p>

<p><b>Project title</b>  <b>National Forest Long Distance Trail</b></p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b>                      National Forest Company. Other partners will include Local Authorities, Landowners (public, private, charitable), access groups, tourism partners, Parish Councils, Local Communities.</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</b>                      Development of a 100 mile trail including landscapes, visitor attractions and features of interest across The National Forest. It will provide a major new recreation and tourism facility for 6Cs residents. It will also physically link the 6Cs and Burton Growth Points – adding GI value to both.</p>
<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b>                      £200,000 = £45-50K project officer (revenue), £150,000 capital for site works/interpretation/way-marking.                      TOTAL COST OVER 3 YEARS = £600,000. Project would have a planning phase (18 months) and a largely implementation second phase (18 months).</p>

**Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year**  
 £140,000 (70% of total) - £420,000 TOTAL OVER 3 YEARS.

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

The National Forest is a strategic GI resource for the whole of the 6Cs area. It is also due to take significant growth itself (est. 24,000 houses). Growth Fund money is needed to secure a cross regional/cross authority initiative which the National Forest Company does not currently have funds to take forward on its own.

**Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding**

Other funding would be provided by the National Forest Company and the Burton Growth Point would also be approached for a 20-25% contribution.

**Timeframe for delivery**

- April 2009-October 2010 – route planning, securing landowner agreements, costing out site works, starting site works.
- Oct 2010-March 2012 – completion of site works, interpretation and promotion of route.

**Project title**

**The National Forest Mountain Bike Trail**

**Lead Organisation (plus other partners)**

The National Forest Company/The Forestry Commission.

**Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.**

The project is to create a dedicated mountain bike centre aimed at beginners and families. The project would tie into the shared path network and link into Ashby and Swadlincote providing a recreational resource for the communities as well as the anticipated 25,000 visitors per annum.

**Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital**

Financial Year	08-09	09-10	10-11	TOTALS
Revenue	15,000	120,000	115,000	250,000
Capital	75,000	680,000	75,000	830,000
<b>Total</b>	90,000	800,000	190,000	1,080,000

<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b> GI Contribution per Financial Year</p> <p>08-09 09-10 - 100,000 10-11 – 100,000 TOTAL = 200,000</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b> Essential match funding in an ambitious funding package.</p>
<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b> An initial feasibility study has been completed with funding from LSEP and NFC (phase 1).</p> <p>Potential other funding: LSEP – 500,000 NFC – 50,000 BLF – 200,000 FC – 100,000</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b> Phase one completed Phase two – development to complete by March 2011</p>

<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p><b>Blue Corridor Vision for the 6Cs' Rivers</b></p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b></p> <p>Environment Agency (plus partners)</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</b></p> <p>Based on lessons learnt from the SPARC project (<a href="http://www.sparc-project.org">www.sparc-project.org</a>):</p> <p>1. Thinking Strategically / 2. Developing Partnerships / 3. Delivering on the ground</p> <p>Deliver a holistic view of flood risk management for 6C rivers that provides reduced flood risk alongside environmental and social opportunity (in line with DEFRA's Making Space for Water initiative). This project would look at opening up riverside as green space, restoring natural banks, improving footpaths and cycle ways and bringing rivers back to the heart of urban environments within the 6Cs growth point area.</p> <p>In line with the Trent Catchment Flood Management Plan It would also contribute to delivering a healthier environment, provide opportunities for urban parkland and recreation, and encourage inward investment and further regeneration as well as sustainable flood defences, a means of addressing urban diffuse pollution and enhancing fisheries, and delivering Good Ecological Status under the Water Framework Directive.</p>

<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b></p> <p>Initial estimates £600K per year plus £circa 36K for a full time project manager</p>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b></p> <p>£300K plus £18K</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b></p> <p>Scheme fits into the GI strategy objectives of community links, biodiversity, partnership access and community</p>
<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b></p> <p>Environment Agency, EMDA, Local Authorities and Partners (not yet secured)</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>3 - 5yrs</p>

<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p><b>Sustainable Washlands Downstream of Nottingham</b></p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b></p> <p>The OnTrent Initiative (+partners)</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i></p> <p>Due to current upgrading of the hard flood defences along the Trent in Nottingham there is expected to be a small increase in flood risk to the villages immediately downstream of the city. An existing modelling project is underway by the University of Nottingham in partnership with OnTrent and the Environment Agency. This project is identifying possible changes of location for the existing rural flood defences within the area that will reduce flood risk and at the same time bring additional biodiversity and access enhancements to the area.</p> <p>Objective is to oversee the long-term sustainable development of the Trent floodplain within the project area. In particular</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinate an integrated approach between the project partners</li> <li>• Develop and support a community liaison group</li> <li>• Work with farmers to integrate land use changes with farming practise</li> <li>• Secure protection of important floodplain archaeology and ecological sites.</li> </ul>

<b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b>		
Staff Time (full time project officer or consultant)		£26k p.a. or £78k for 3 years
Capital costs to supplement EA investment (through a grant scheme?)		£60k
Printing, community liaison events, admin costs		£9k
Management (£5k/yr)		£15k
Contingency		£10k
	Total	£172k

**Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year**

£57k p.a. for 3 years.

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

Scheme mitigates against upstream development work to protect Nottingham urban area. Scheme also fits into the GI Strategy objectives or Community links, Biodiversity, Partnership, Access & Connectivity..

**Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding**

Funding from Environment Agency. Potential funding from Nottinghamshire County Council, Nottingham City Council..

**Timeframe for delivery**

Project brief agreed 2009  
 2009/2010 Develop and refine flood risk modelling options, set up community liaison group  
 2010/2011 Construction year 1  
 2011/2012 Construction year 2

**Project title**  
**Trent Valley Way**

**Lead Organisation (plus other partners)**  
 The OnTrent Initiative (+partners)

**Project Objectives please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.**

OnTrent is carrying out a feasibility study into the possibility of a long distance footpath network along the length of the Trent Valley from source to mouth of the river. This may also include a cycleway.

Feasibility study is looking at a potential route, along with surveying local opinion along the potential route. Economic and social impact of extra visitors to the area will also be investigated along with physical blockages stopping local residents from accessing the

riverside corridor. Study is due to report back on December 2008, after which we will in a position to look at quick access projects and long-term footpath / cycleway installation projects along the Trent across the 6Cs GI region.

**Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital**

Uncertain currently

**Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year**

Uncertain currently

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

A footpath with spurs to local communities would give greater access to green spaces to established and new developments. The Trent stretches West to East across the 6Cs region and is a major landscape asset to many communities and growth points.

**Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding**

Funding from local County and Borough Councils, also from Natural England.

**Timeframe for delivery**

Project brief agreed 2009  
 2009/2010 Quick access projects completed  
 2010/2011 implementation phase 1  
 2011/2012 implementation phase 2

**Project title**  
**Mineral Restoration Strategy**

**Lead Organisation (plus other partners)**  
 The OnTrent Initiative (+partners)

<p><b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i></p> <p>The idea is for a 2 year study of the sand and gravel areas in the 6Cs region to provide a strategy for restoration that aims to provide optimum benefits for biodiversity, landscape, heritage, recreation, agriculture, economic regeneration and flood management taking into account the needs and aspirations of the communities in the area.</p> <p>It would include consultation with minerals operators, biodiversity, landscape, forestry, heritage, regeneration, agricultural sectors, local communities through to Parish Councils.</p>
<p><b>Estimate of Cost</b>, <i>per financial year and split between revenue and capital</i></p> <p>£100k over 2 years</p>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund</b>, <i>per financial year</i></p> <p>Uncertain currently</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b></p> <p>Currently each mineral restoration site is treated individually. A strategy for the region would deliver a controlled approach, delivering 6C's objectives of Access, Biodiversity, Community, &amp; Landscape.</p>
<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources</b>, <i>particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</i></p> <p>Funding from local County and Borough Councils, also from Natural England ALSF, Mineral Operators, Forestry Commission.</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>2009-2011</p>

<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p>Soar Valley (north of Leicester)</p>
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**Lead Organisation** *(plus other partners)*

Leicestershire County Council in conjunction with:

Charnwood Borough Council  
Leicester City Council  
Stepping Stones Project  
Leicestershire and Rutland Wildlife Trust  
Soar/Wreake Initiative partners  
Sustrans  
British Waterways  
Parish and Town Councils  
FWAG

**Project Objectives** *please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.*

The Soar Valley contains two important Growth Point settlements – Greater Leicester and Loughborough – and also ties in with the Trent Valley and growth area generated Strategic GI projects there too.

It is an important area for a wide range of recreational activities, including sailing, walking, cycling and boating. It is also of increasing significance for wildlife with a string of important reserves being developed as well as being important for flood management and storage. To the west it adjoins the Charnwood Forest and to the south the Stepping Stones Project and Leicester City areas. The valley has a history of gravel and sand extraction.

A major new Leicestershire County Council, British Waterways and Sustrans access initiative (Connect 2) will be commencing in the 2008/09 financial year and the County Council are also planning a visitor centre for Watermead Country Park

The Soar Valley is identified as being an important part of the Strategic River Corridors network within East Midlands, as fact which is also recognised in the draft Regional Spatial Strategy.

At a more local level, the Watermead Country Park area and its southern extension running into Leicester City Centre form part of a designated Green Wedge. A local partnership - the Soar/Wreake Initiative - has an agreed Strategy and Action Plan for both the Soar and the Wreake.

This bid is seeking support to undertake the following work:

- Strategic access improvements along the Soar Valley linking in with local communities.
- Rights of way/general public access development/improvements
- Running a grants scheme to assist with landscape improvements on private land along the Soar Valley.
- Creation and enhancement of nature conservation sites
- Creation/improvement of public open spaces in villages along the valley
- Works on the new Watermead visitor centre

<b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b>				
<b>Capital</b>	<b>08/09</b>	<b>09/10</b>	<b>10/11</b>	<b>11/12</b>
Grants scheme	0	25,000	30,000	35,000
Strategic Access Improvements	470,000	520,000	520,000	500,000
Watermead Country Park visitor centre	0	750,000	250,000	0
Town and Village enhancement work	25,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
LRWT development work	5,000	20,000	25,000	25,000
Consultancy work (FWAG)	1,500	3,000	3,000	1,500
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>08/09</b>	<b>09/10</b>	<b>10/11</b>	<b>11/12</b>
Strategic Access Improvements	10,000	20,000	20,000	20,000

**Project title**

Charnwood Forest

**Lead organisation** - Leicestershire County Council

**Partners:** North West Leicestershire District Council; Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council; Charnwood Borough Council; The National Forest Company; The Leicestershire & Rutland Wildlife Trust; FWAG

**Project Objectives** *please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.*

**Description :** Charnwood Forest is identified in the Draft Regional Spatial Strategy as being a potential "Regional Park". It is a unique upland area with very distinctive landscape, ecology, history and geology.

Already a very popular multi-functional green infrastructural asset, its location between 3 of the largest potential and earliest start housing growth areas within Leicestershire – namely Leicester City, Loughborough and Coalville will increase visitor numbers.

In addition, the area faces a range of potentially conflicting pressures, including hard rock quarrying, landfill, M1 widening, increasing public access,

the maintenance of agricultural and forestry businesses and water quality in the reservoirs the area supplies, whilst simultaneously maintaining and enhancing its landscape and ecological resources.

**Objectives:** To establish a partnership, supported by appropriate funding, with the aims of resolving conflicting pressures, whilst enhancing and protecting this regionally important environmental and recreational asset.

**Project title**

Riverside Corridor, Leicester.

**Lead Organisation** *(plus other partners)*

Leicester City Council.  
Sustrans.  
British Waterways.  
Leicestershire County Council; Charnwood Borough Council; Blaby District Council.

**Project Objectives** *please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.*

The River Soar, and its associated flood plain, is a major strategic green space, which passes through Leicester from Aylestone in the south to Watermead Park in the north. Land within the river corridor in Leicester is the focus of the City's regeneration, so the green space is vital in both serving, and linking the developing communities.

The project will link with Leicestershire County Council's Stepping Stones project to the south, and the Soar Valley (north of Leicester) to the north.

The bid sets to facilitate the development of infrastructure improvements (paths, seats, furniture), along with the development of a riverside identity, which links with the two previously mentioned projects.

The funding would enable a master plan to be commissioned, and would also fund some necessary infrastructure improvements to the existing riverside area.

This project would need to be completed in advance of the current regeneration schemes, but even so, it is not anticipated that on site work will commence until late 2010. Therefore funding will not be required for another two years.

<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b></p> <p>£60,000 - 2010/11 revenue                  £140,000 - 2011/12 capital                  £180,000 – 2012/13 capital</p>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b></p> <p>£60,000 - 2010/11 revenue                  £140,000 - 2011/12 capital                  £180,000 – 2012/13 capital</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b></p> <p>Current projections of available Section 106 funding do not provide sufficient capital to develop this project, in the early stages. It is anticipated that late in year 3, s106 funding from the waterside developments will become available.</p>
<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b></p> <p>Section 106 – as yet unquantified, and will depend on developments.</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>April 2010 – March 2013</p>

<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p>Castle Hill Park, Leicester.</p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b></p> <p>Leicester City Council and Leicestershire County Council (Stepping Stones Project and Green Wedge links), in partnership with Groundwork Leicester and Leicestershire.</p>

**Project Objectives** *please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.*

The site lies to the north-west of Leicester and abuts Charnwood Borough Council boundary and the Rothley Brook Green Wedge. Importantly Castle Hill Park will be adjacent to the planned development of Ashton Green, and will be the major green space, which will serve the development.

The site will provide a major green link/gateway to the Bradgate, and south Charnwood Forest area of Leicestershire, and link with Leicestershire County Council's Stepping Stones and Charnwood Forest projects.

The funding would enable a park master plan to be commissioned, and would also fund necessary infrastructure improvements to the existing park area.

This project would need to be completed in advance of the Ashton Green Development, which itself is still in the development stage. Therefore funding will not be required for another three years.

**Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital**

£60,000 - 2012/13 revenue  
 £240,000 - 2013/14 capital  
 £300,000 – 2014/15 capital

**Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year**

£45,000 - 2009/10 revenue  
 £180,000 - 2010/11 capital  
 £250,000 – 2011/12 capital

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

Current projections of available Section 106 funding do not provide sufficient capital to develop this green space. Additionally it is likely that any developer contributions, in the current economic climate, will go towards 'hard' infrastructure to ensure that the developments can go ahead.

**Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding**

Groundwork Leicester and Leicestershire (in kind) - £30,000 over years 2 and 3 of the project.

Section 106 – from the Ashton Green development as yet unquantified, and will depend on other demands on the developer contributions.

<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>April 2012 – March 2015</p>
<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p>Evington Arboretum, Leicester.</p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation</b> <i>(plus other partners)</i></p> <p>Leicester City Council in partnership with the local community, and Groundwork Leicester and Leicestershire.</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i></p> <p>Evington Arboretum lies to the east of the Leicester City administrative area, bordering the Districts of Harborough, and Oadby and Wigston.</p> <p>The scheme is to improve community access to the site through improvements to the site infrastructure, provision of information and developing community involvement by the creation of a 'Friends of' group to ensure greater ownership of the site.</p> <p>Additionally improvements of habitat are required to address the decline in SINC status.</p>
<p><b>Estimate of Cost</b>, <i>per financial year and split between revenue and capital</i></p> <p>£26,000 - 2009/10 (14K revenue [survey / planning costs]; £12K capital)  £60,000 - 2010/11 capital  £10,000 – 2011/12 capital</p>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund</b>, <i>per financial year</i></p> <p>£12,000 - 2009/10 capital  £60,000 - 2010/11 capital  £10,000 – 2011/12 capital</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b></p> <p>Current projections of available Section 106 funding do not provide any capital to develop this green space.</p>

<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b></p> <p>Survey and design costs – Leicester City Council.</p> <p>Big – Access To Nature.</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>April 2009 – March 2012</p>

<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p>Castle Hill Park, Leicester.</p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b></p> <p>Leicester City Council in partnership with Groundwork Leicester and Leicestershire.</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i></p> <p>The site lies to the north-west of Leicester and abuts Charnwood Borough Council boundary. Importantly Castle Hill Park will be adjacent to the planned development of Ashton Green, and will be the major green space near to the development.</p> <p>The Hamilton area is recognised as an area of housing growth and will also have additional strain placed on its facilities by developments in the neighbouring Leicestershire borough of Charnwood.</p> <p>The existing park was developed to accommodate the growth of Hamilton South, but has since struggled to cope with existing use. There is a planned extension, but funding for this is yet to be realised.</p> <p>The funding would enable a park master plan to be commissioned, and would also fund infrastructure improvements to the existing park area, to provide for a facility at ‘district’ park level. Additionally this green space would provide a link/gateway between the City and the neighbouring east Leicestershire countryside.</p>

<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b></p> <p>£40,000 - 2009/10 revenue                  £160,000 - 2010/11 capital                  £200,000 – 2011/12 capital</p>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b></p> <p>£35,000 - 2009/10 revenue                  £100,000 - 2010/11 capital                  £150,000 – 2011/12 capital</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b></p> <p>Current projections of available Section 106 funding do not provide sufficient capital to develop a green space to district park level.</p>
<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b></p> <p>Groundwork Leicester and Leicestershire (in kind) - £20,000 over years 2 and 3 of the project.                  Hamilton Trustees - £5K towards the master planning exercise.                  Section 106 – as yet unquantified, and will depend on developments.</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>April 2009 – March 2012</p>

<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p>Major Wildlife sites (SINCS), Leicester.</p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b></p> <p>Leicester City Council in partnership with the local communities, and Groundwork Leicester and Leicestershire.</p>

**Project Objectives** *please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.*

Recent survey work has shown a decline in the quality of the major Wildlife sites (SINCs) within the Leicester City boundary. Some of this decline can be attributed to the management of the habitats - something that is being addressed. However, in serious decline is the infrastructure of the Wildlife site, thus making them less accessible to members of the public.

The scheme is to improve community access to the sites through improvements to the site infrastructures, provision of information and developing community involvement to ensure greater ownership of the sites.

**Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital**

£69,000 - 2009/10 (9K revenue [survey / planning costs]; £60K capital)  
 £117,000 - 2010/11 (12K revenue [survey / planning costs]; £105K capital)  
 £94,000 – 2011/12 (7K revenue [survey / planning costs]; £87K capital)

**Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year**

£60,000 - 2009/10 capital  
 £105,000 - 2010/11 capital  
 £87,000 – 2011/12 capital

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

Current projections of available Section 106 funding do not provide sufficient capital to improve the identified sites.

**Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding**

Survey and design costs – Leicester City Council.

Big – Access To Nature.

**Timeframe for delivery**

April 2009 – March 2012

<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p>Minor Wildlife sites (SINCS), Leicester.</p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation</b> <i>(plus other partners)</i></p> <p>Leicester City Council in partnership with the local communities, and Groundwork Leicester and Leicestershire.</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i></p> <p>Recent survey work has shown a decline in the quality of the minor Wildlife sites (BESs) within the Leicester City boundary. Some of this decline can be attributed to the management of the habitats - something that is being addressed. However, in serious decline is the infrastructure of the Wildlife site, thus making them less accessible to members of the public.</p> <p>The scheme is to improve community access to the sites through improvements to the site infrastructures, provision of information and developing community involvement to ensure greater ownership of the sites.</p>
<p><b>Estimate of Cost</b>, <i>per financial year and split between revenue and capital</i></p> <p>£14,000 - 2009/10 (3K revenue [survey / planning costs]; £10K capital)  £38,000 - 2010/11 (6K revenue [survey / planning costs]; £32K capital)  £33,000 – 2011/12 (4K revenue [survey / planning costs]; £29K capital)</p>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund</b>, <i>per financial year</i></p> <p>£10,000 - 2009/10 capital  £32,000 - 2010/11 capital  £29,000 – 2011/12 capital</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b></p> <p>Current projections of available Section 106 funding do not provide sufficient capital to improve the identified sites.</p>

<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b></p> <p>Survey and design costs – Leicester City Council.</p> <p>Big – Access To Nature.</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>April 2009 – March 2012</p>

<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p><b>Stepping Stones Project – Resources Development Officer and Part time Project Officer</b></p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b> Stepping Stones Project, Leicestershire County Council, Blaby District Council, Oadby and Wigston Borough Council, Harborough District Council, Charnwood Borough Council, Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council, Leicester City and partners forum comprised of stakeholders (representatives from community and business sectors) from across the Project Area.</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i></p> <p><a href="#">The Stepping Stones Project</a> represents a partnership <a href="#">working in and around Leicester</a> that aims to improve greenspace and make high quality <a href="#">Green Infrastructure</a> available to all.</p> <p>With a new Delivery and Action Plan to adhere to the Project now needs increased capacity in the form of a bigger team that will deliver improved green infrastructure vital to the liveability of new development, by the appointment of a an additional 1.5 posts.</p> <p>The role of the <b>Resources Development Officer</b> will be policy review, writing grant bids, project monitoring and evaluation and development of the communication plan that will raise awareness of green infrastructural issues. This will leave the Project Officer and Manager free to focus on advocacy, implementation and project design. The Resources Officer will increase awareness across the board of green infrastructural issues through promotion.</p> <p>The Project is also seeking support for another part time Project Officer, which will bring the team up to equivalent 3 full time posts. The main role of the <b>Project Officer</b> is to lead on project design and development and implementation. The Officer will also have a strong liaison role developing relationships with communities.</p> <p>The Project Officer will develop and implement schemes that will afford multiple benefits to new housing areas including climate change mitigation, enhanced biodiversity and increased amenity of high profile sites.</p>

<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b></p> <p>£15,183 – Jan 09 – April 09  £46,918 – 2009/10  £48,325 – 2010/11  £49,776 – 2011/12  £51,270 – 2012/13  £52,807 – 2013/14</p>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b></p> <p>£15,183 – Jan 09 – April 09  £46,918 – 2009/10  £48,325 – 2010/11  £49,776 – 2011/12  £51,270 – 2012/13  £52,807 – 2013/14</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b></p> <p>Stepping Stones is looking at possible funding sources but there is currently no spare capacity for funding new posts within the current budget of Stepping Stones or Leicestershire County Council.</p>
<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EMDA</li> <li>• Increased partner contributions</li> <li>• FLAG grant</li> <li>• Lottery – Access to nature</li> </ul>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b></p> <p>Jan 2009 – Apr 2014</p>

<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p><b>Stepping Stones Project Green Infrastructure Fund</b></p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b></p> <p>Stepping Stones Project:  Leicestershire County Council, Blaby District Council, Oadby and Wigston Borough Council, Harborough District Council, Charnwood Borough Council, Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council, Leicester City, Parish and Town Councils and partners forum comprised of stakeholders (representatives from community and business sectors) from across the Project Area.</p>

**Project Objectives** *please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.*

A large percentage (60%+) of Stepping Stones Project area is comprised of agricultural land. The experience of the National Forest reveals that significant green infrastructural improvements can be made on privately owned land as long as the appropriate financial assistance is there to support it.

The Fund will offer a targeted financial support for single large scale and multiple smaller scale strategic green infrastructure projects on privately or publicly owned land that will compliment the existing smaller grant scheme. Schemes should show consideration of multifunctionality, providing a range of benefits related to issues such as flooding mitigation, health, biodiversity, sustainable transport etc...

The Stepping Stones Project has, through 3 years of project development and consultation, identified areas for targeted funding of green infrastructure schemes. Targeted areas will include those adjacent to key proposed housing sites and Sustainable Urban Extensions, Green Wedges and other strategically important green corridors (e.g. river corridors) that will serve these developments. Much of the new growth will be within or adjacent to the Stepping Stones Project area, consequently, through the provision of this fund, residents will have access to improved green infrastructure and green spaces vital to the liveability of new development.

**Estimate of Cost**, *per financial year and split between revenue and capital*

£175,000 - 2009/10  
 £245,000 - 2010/11  
 £252,000 - 2011/12  
 £260,000 - 2012/13  
 £268,000 - 2013/14

**Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund**, *per financial year*

£100,000 – 2009/10  
 £150,000 – 2010/11  
 £155,000 – 2011/12  
 £160,000 – 2012/13  
 £165,000 – 2013/14

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

The Project is in the process of seeking funding from a range of sources but within the bounds of the current budget Stepping Stones cannot deliver funding for large scale green infrastructure projects.

**Details of potential other funding sources**, *particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding*

The Project would not look to fund 100% of the cost of the scheme. The above costs are based on an average of 40% contribution coming from the following:

- Other grant sources including Stepping Stones Environmental Improvement Grant.
- Districts Councils
- Parish/Town Councils
- Local landowners
- British Waterways
- Wildlife Trust

Other sources

- Lottery – Access to Nature

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EMDA</li> <li>• Woodland Trust</li> <li>• Section 106</li> </ul>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b> April 2009 – April 2014</p>
<p><b>Project title</b></p> <p><b>Stepping Stones “Plant a Parish” scheme</b></p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation</b> <i>(plus other partners)</i></p> <p>Stepping Stones Project: Leicestershire County Council, Blaby District Council, Oadby and Wigston Borough Council, Harborough District Council, Charnwood Borough Council, Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council, Leicester City Council, Social Housing providers, Parish and Town Councils and a Partner’s Forum comprised of stakeholders (representatives from community and business sectors) from across the Project Area.</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives</b> <i>please provide a short description including indication of how this will assist delivery of sustainable growth.</i></p> <p><i>Working with communities to increase tree coverage in the project area through strategic locations that will deliver multiple benefits to new housing areas as outlined in the Stepping Stones Delivery and Action Plan.</i></p> <p>In 2007-08 the Project successfully delivered a “Plant a Parish” scheme, planting 700 predominantly standard trees on publicly owned sites across Enderby and Narborough. The scheme was made possible by a one off funding stream. However, recognising the scheme’s effectiveness Stepping Stones would aim to run it again, targeting a Parish (or ward/town/ other equivalent area) or adjacent Parishes identified by the Project’s Action Plan and adjacent to new housing sites.</p> <p>To plant a minimum of 1,000 trees per annum across a parish or groups of parishes that will deliver multiple benefits such as increased biodiversity, mitigation of the affects of climate change and increased amenity of high profile or high usage sites.</p>
<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b></p> <p>Capital – “Plant a Parish” £30,000 – 2009/10 £31,000 – 2010/11 £32,000 – 2011/12 £33,000 – 2012/13 £34,000 – 2013/14</p>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b></p> <p>Capital – “Plant a Parish” £27,000 – 2009/10 £27,900 – 2010/11 £28,800 – 2011/12 £29,700 – 2012/13 £30,600 – 2013/14 An 10% contribution to the Plant a Parish scheme to be committed from the Stepping Stones budget</p>

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

The Project is in the process of seeking funding from a range of sources but within the bounds of the current budget Stepping Stones cannot deliver planting on this scale.

**Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding**

- Stepping Stones budget – 10% from the currently termed environmental schemes budget
- FLAG and SHIRE Grants
- Access to Nature Fund
- EMDA
- District Councils
- Landowners
- Woodland Trust

**Timeframe for delivery**

April 2009 – April 2014

**Project title**

**Whitworth Park Lake**

Situated in Whitworth Park, Station Road, Darley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire DE4 2EQ

**Lead Organisation (plus other partners)**

The Whitworth Trust

(The Whitworth Trust is a sub-committee of Darley Dale Town Council, registered as a charity)

Groundwork Derby & Derbyshire are the Landscape Consultants

**Project** Whitworth Park is a 10 acre registered Garden History site recently restored with funding from The Heritage Lottery Fund. To complete this restoration, the old Victorian boating lake (now filled in) is to be reinstated, but without the boats. The lake will have a surface area of 8,000m<sup>2</sup> designed and planted to create wildlife habitat – there are already water shrews and water voles with limited habitat in the Park and the lake will lie on the flight path to a nearby nature reserve at Ogston Reservoir. Sustainable management will be ensured by the inclusion of fishing pegs to enable a junior club to be formed, including disabled access – there are no facilities for juniors to learn angling in this area.

**Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital**

Capital:

£24,719.25 (includes VAT @ 8.75%, which is non-reclaimable)

Revenue:

All future maintenance will be funded by the Whitworth Trust as part of the wider management of the whole Park

<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b> £11,000 – one-off capital payment</p>
<p><b>Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required</b> The Whitworth Trust, a Registered Charity, has secured part funding from “Breathing Places” Big Lottery fund, but requires assistance with the remaining costs. This project is part of the larger scheme to conserve a valuable heritage site and create a valuable resource for wildlife and human leisure, recognising the national objectives to increase exercise and reduce obesity and poor health.</p>
<p><b>Details of potential other funding sources</b> £3,000 from The Whitworth Trust in professional fees (secured) £9,939.75 from Breathing Places Lottery Fund (secured) £ 500 donation from a local business (secured)</p>
<p><b>Timeframe for delivery</b> May 2007 – Project launched; April 2008 Planning permissions obtained; June 2008 Breathing Places funding secured; November 2008 – March 2009 construction of pews, island, margins and rockery, with planting; January 2009 installation of sluices; January – September 2009 gradual inundation of water. Launch Spring 2010.</p>

<p><b>Project title</b> <b>Harehills Park Improvements</b> Situated in the centre of Glossop</p>
<p><b>Lead Organisation (plus other partners)</b> High Peak Borough Council Glossop Vision Mersey Basin Campaign</p>
<p><b>Project Objectives.</b> The restoration of Harehills Park is Phase Two of the Glossop Vision series of improvements to the whole town. The Park is a mature woodland that lies along the Glossop Brook in the centre of the town, parallel to the High Street and is neglected and subject to antisocial behaviour. The restoration will allow pedestrian access to the shops and businesses from the neighbouring housing: the paths need lighting and resurfacing to become suitable for wheeled users. Manor Park and Wren’s Nest (also on Glossop Brook) have already been improved and enjoy considerable visitor numbers. Harehills lies between them and will complete the wildlife corridor through the town, providing educational value for the local primary schools. The addition of adventure play equipment will encourage outdoor activity and create a worthwhile family experience and focal point.</p>
<p><b>Estimate of Cost, per financial year and split between revenue and capital</b> Capital: £200,000 one-off capital expenditure, but could be split into project phases Revenue: Harehills Park is managed by High Peak Borough Council for the Local community, who are the landowners. Future management costs will be covered by the Council.</p>
<p><b>Requested Contribution from the Growth Fund, per financial year</b> £50,000 as a one-off capital payment</p>

**Please explain the reason why a financial contribution from the Growth Fund is required**

If we are successful with other bids, there will be a shortfall in the capital sum required.

**Details of potential other funding sources, particularly where any funding is already secured, including any private sector funding**

£100,000 from Community Spaces Large Grants (Being applied for)

£50,000 from Veolia (being applied for)

Professional fees and costs are already being paid by High Peak Borough Council as Service Level Agreements.

**Timeframe for delivery**

Restoration to planting and treework Winter 2008/9

Application to Community Spaces and Veolia January 2009

Construction of riverside walk, installation of lighting and furniture May – June 2009

Installation of play equipment May – July 2009