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IMPLICATIONS/CONSULTATIONS

Contribution to the Council's Corporate Priorities/ Objectives	People This priority focuses on enhancing the quality of life, health and wellbeing of individuals, families and communities, particularly those who are vulnerable. Place This priority focuses on the standard of the built environment and our neighbourhoods and ensuring our towns and villages are safe and clean.
Consultation:	Internal consultation has been carried out with Environmental Health, Community Safety, Leisure Services, Engineers, Planning Policy, Community Engagement, and Environmental Coordination. External consultation will take place pending acceptance by Scrutiny and prior to approval by Executive.
Legal:	There are no statutory requirements arising from the proposals.
Financial:	There are none for this report. The objectives set out in the strategy can be achieved within existing revenue and capital budgets but can be enhanced through successful application of external grants. Continued capital funding has proven to assist bids through match funding. It is recognised however that the aspirations to develop open spaces has to be scaled back in relation to the considerable successes of the previous five years. Whilst some development will still be possible, it is important that limited resources are prioritised to maintain and protect the high quality of provision achieved.
Human Resource:	The careful and flexible deployment of staff across the department whilst working with partners and the community continues to provide sufficient resources to deliver the aspired outcomes of the strategy.
Risk Management:	The risks associated with approving (or not) the proposals relate principally to the Council's ability to contribute to its corporate priorities and to deliver outcomes affecting a wide range of needs.