# **ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS**

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Environment – Delegated Powers Meeting
2.	Date:	6 September 2010
3.	Title:	Ryton Road, North Anston – Gateway Environmental Improvements Ward 1 , Anston & Woodsetts
4.	Programme Area:	Environment and Development Service

#### 5. Summary

To report on proposals for environmental improvement works at Ryton Road, North Anston to:

(i) Provide high quality enhanced hard works along Ryton Road between its junctions at Rackford Road to the recreation ground entrance adjacent Anston Brook Primary school.

# 6. Recommendations

Cabinet Members approve the proposed works and note the funding arrangements.

# 7. Proposals and Details

North Anston Ryton Road highway corridor, identified as a potential Gateway Improvement scheme within the wider Gateway Programme, was approved by the Cabinet Member for Housing and Neighbourhoods on 15 June 2009 (item 14 refers) and earlier within the Gateway Improvement Plan (approved 22 June 2005 – Cabinet item 37).

Cabinet Members will be aware of street lighting improvement & 'Gateway' style street name signs already installed at Ryton Road Gateway during 2008/09 which were funded from Neighbourhood & Adult Services' Regional Housing Board programme.

A further phase of works is now proposed at Ryton Road from its junction with Rackford Road to the recreation ground entrance.

#### Proposed works:

The provision of tegula paved areas at selected locations along the highway footpath of Ryton Road. The provision of stainless steel bollards, a new safety barrier, handrail & a sealed gravel footpath surface to the slope between the post office & the junction of Hanging Bank Court.

Refer to the plans in Appendix A for details and extent of the works.

The Gateway project team within RIDO have ensured that the local community have been consulted on the proposals, specifically those residents within the immediate vicinity of the works. Local Members have been involved with the project through the Dinnington Area Development Framework Steering Group.

Subject to Member approval it is anticipated that the works will start w/c 27 September for completion before the end of December 2010.

# 8. Finance

These works will be funded from the 2010/11 Regional Housing Board programme.

Total estimated costs:

	Total	£171,672
(i).	Engineering hard works & street furniture Landscaping soft works (including fees) Design & supervision fees	£147,586 £ 1,948 <u>£ 22,138</u>

The estimated costs include for any defects of the hard works within a year following completion of the works. Thereafter maintenance of the improvements will be transferred into the ongoing Streetpride maintenance programme. It should be noted that the proposed improvements will not add to the existing Streetpride maintenance

budget above the level normally expected for general ongoing highway maintenance. The improvements will enhance the existing street scene & highway footpaths thus reducing the potential requirement & associated cost for general maintenance.

# 9. Risks and Uncertainties

The risks & uncertainties are expected to be only those which would normally be associated with small scale construction works.

#### **10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications**

The scheme contributes to the 'Rotherham Proud' agenda by enhancing the main 'Gateway' routes into the Borough with high quality public realm works. It will also contribute to 'Rotherham Safe' in that the public highway will be free of defects. The scheme contributes to the Community and Corporate Plans by:

Supporting the Housing Market Renewal Programme.

Improving and promoting the image of Rotherham and addressing negative views both within and outside the borough, through the environmental improvement of Gateway Corridors which form many peoples first impression of the borough, as well as a backdrop to the lives of many of its residents.

Providing sustainable neighbourhoods of quality, choice, etc, by contributing to an improved environment within many residential districts.

# 11. Background Papers and Consultation

Public consultation has been carried out by the Project Officer and the designs have been approved by the Dinnington ADF Steering Group, which includes the local Ward Members.

Further background papers include:

The Gateway Improvement Plan (Approved 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2005, Cabinet Item 37)

Housing Market Renewal Area Masterplan (Dinnington)

The local community have been engaged on this and other related environmental improvement projects via the ADF Steering Group, Community Planning Officer and by direct mail shot of local residents.

Discussions have been ongoing with representatives of Streetpride to confirm their capacity to deliver these works during 2010/11.

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