

Report for: Cabinet December 2020

Item number: TBC

Title: GLA Good Growth Accelerator Fund

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Ward(s) affected: Noel Park, Alexandra, Woodside

**Report for Key/
Non Key Decision:** Key Decision

1. Describe the issue under consideration

Good Growth Fund Accelerator

- 1.1. This report relates to the Greater London Authority (GLA) Good Growth Fund (GGF). Mayor Sadiq Khan's £70 million regeneration programme to support growth and community development in London, and the more recent Mayor of London 'Getting Building Fund', a £22.1 million fund which aims to support economic recovery across the country.
- 1.2. Haringey submitted a bid for Good Growth Funding round three (GGF3) in September 2019 for a project called "Adaptive Wood Green" and in March 2020 were successful in receiving a grant of £972,500.
- 1.3. Subsequently, the Wood Green Regeneration team submitted a bid for funding from the Mayor of London 'Getting Building Fund'. The bid was successful, and the council will receive £850,000, as a 'Good Growth Fund 3 Accelerator'.

2. Cabinet Member Introduction

- 2.1. The GGF3 accelerator will fund three new projects in Wood Green, which will sit alongside the original 6 GGF3 funded projects to unlock much-needed town centre and public realm improvement projects for Wood Green.
- 2.2. The GGF3 Accelerator Fund will be added to the current GGF3 grant agreement with the GLA, with the same terms and conditions via a Deed of Variation. New GLA outputs and outcomes will be selected for the accelerator funded projects.

3. Recommendations

Cabinet agrees to:

- 3.1. To approve the receipt of additional grant funding to the Good Growth Funding round three (GGF3) via the Good Growth Fund Accelerator and agree to the variation of the existing GGF3 Grant Agreement by way of a Deed of Variation of the GGF3 Grant Agreement for the receipt of the accelerator grant.
- 3.2. The total value of the additional grant funding from the GLA is £850,000

4. Reasons for decision

- 4.1. Haringey was awarded £972,500 from the Good Growth Fund in March 2020.
- 4.2. In June 2020, the Wood Green Regeneration Team applied for the Mayor of London 'Getting London Building Fund', and in August 2020 were shortlisted to receive £850,000 in the form of the 'GGF Accelerator Fund'
- 4.3. In March Cabinet approved the decision to enter into a grant agreement for the initial grant of £972,500. Haringey entered into this grant agreement with the GLA in October 2020.
- 4.4. In November 2020 the GLA confirmed that LBH had been awarded £850,000 GGF Accelerator Funding.
- 4.5. As the accelerator fund is also above £500,000, the decision to enter into the grant funding agreement is a Key Decision.
- 4.6. We therefore require Cabinet to approve the additional funding, and also approve its inclusion into the pre-existing GGF3 grant agreement via a Deed of variation.

5. Alternative options considered

Do not accept additional Accelerator Funding - If Cabinet does not agree to allow the accelerator fund to be accepted, then the three identified projects will be unlikely to progress. This would also fail to make best use of available external funding to support limited Council budgets.

6. Background information

- 6.1. A summary of the funding aims is set out below.

Good Growth Fund

- 6.2. The Good Growth Fund is the Mayor of London's £70 million regeneration programme to support growth and community development in London. The fund supports innovative regeneration activities, that enable Londoners to actively participate in their local community, deliver co-ordinated place-based strategies that welcome growth in a way that works London's varied physical character and support diverse and accessible local economies – from high streets and town centres to industrial areas – to realise their full potential.

Good Growth Fund Accelerator

6.3. The Good Growth Fund Accelerator is funded by a grant from the MHCLG to the GLA, and will support regeneration of town centres and high streets through public realm improvements and the creation of a diverse range of workspace including creative hubs for fashion, art, performance space and production, small scale manufacturing, market hubs, and sustainable travel solutions such as bike delivery scheme. The funding will also be used to stimulate investment in digital infrastructure that will support underserved London geographies, particularly in outer London. This will support digital access/inclusion for Londoners and increase in productivity across the capital

6.4. The Accelerator Projects in detail

The accelerator project proposals build on and connect into the GGF1 and GGF3 projects for Wood Green, aiding connectivity and legibility from the High Road along the East/West link to the Cultural Quarter, providing further development of the north/south link to the Cultural Quarter and to the High Road and Alexandra Palace Station. The projects will help to improve footfall to the Town Centre, supporting economic recovery.

The proposals will build on the work in Good Growth Round 1, including Mayes Road Phase 1 and the Wood Green and Turnpike Lane Design Manual which is used as a basis for future design quality delivery throughout the area. The development of the proposals also builds on the forthcoming Haringey Walking and Cycling Action Plan, Haringey's Good Economy Recovery Plan and Re-opening the High Streets project. The re-opening High Street Safety Funding focuses on implementing a range of measures to support a safe trading environment for businesses and customers, in town centres and high streets, during the Covid-19 crisis.

The three proposed schemes are:

- **Scheme A: Completion of Mayes Road phase 2** from RIBA Stages 3-6
Budget £300,000.
Summary The first phase of the Mayes Road pocket park and public realm interventions were delivered in 2020. The scheme also involved engagement with local resident group Parkside Malvern Resident Association (PMRA). The second phase of the scheme was completed up to RIBA Stage 3 and costings have been undertaken. The delivery of this work will involve RIBA stages 3-6. The project is highlighted in the Wood Green Design Manual Project Bank

Mayes Road phase 2 focuses on the widening of footways to improve pedestrian permeability and inclusion of SuDs to remove water from the natural watercourse, the Moselle River, and the inclusion of green infrastructure. The footway will be widened along Mayes Road, with improved access to Wood Green Mall and around the junction with Hornsey Park Road. The footways are also due to be constructed with SuDs materials. The designs are part of a commitment to improve walking and cycling along this key north/south route

and tackle air pollution within the area, one of the poorest areas in Haringey for air quality. The design has been developed to RIBA Stage 3 and has been costed.

Engagement with essential stakeholders (i.e. local businesses, local resident associations and ward members) has been undertaken and the proposals have received support. The completion of RIBA Stage 3 will include on-going engagement with local stakeholders, such as Capital and Regional, Parkside Malvern Residents Association and Sky City Residents.

- **Scheme B:** Design and development from RIBA Stages 0-7 for a section of Caxton Gardens (place name and any changes to be agreed with internal stakeholders – Parks and Planning- and engagement with local residents carried out if name change is required) and surrounding public realm

Budget £500,000.

Summary This scheme is a new proposal and is also highlighted as part of the Wood Green Design Manual Project Bank. The plan aims to improve an area of soft landscaping and the adjacent public realm of Station Road, Caxton Gardens and Mayes Road.

Caxton Gardens improvements will further enhance east/west connectivity from the High Road to the Cultural Quarter, Alexandra Palace and the School Streets due to be implemented under GGF 3. Caxton Gardens acts as a key spatial node which aligns these projects and improves the interface between forthcoming schemes as part of GGF3 and those undertaken as part of GGF1. The project will implement sustainable drainage and increase tree planting and biodiversity in a way that allows more access to play and an amenity space and improves accessibility and connectivity for all users.

This will enhance the value of the green space as a social area with an emphasis on young people. The improvement in the green space will also support businesses by providing leisure amenity for employees, thereby continuing to support economic growth and recovery in the Town Centre. The scope of works will also include designs for the surrounding highway to future proof the project and form part of further plans for Mayes Road and Wood Green Common.

- **Scheme C:** Design and development of artwork to the façade of Wood Green Mall Sprial Car Park Ramp

Budget £50,000.

Summary Following the work developed as part of the Wood Green and Turnpike Lane Design Manual, the team has identified an opportunity to work in partnership with The Mall and community groups to deliver an artwork to the façade facing Mayes Road, improving legibility, connectivity and wayfinding between the High Road and the Cultural Quarter.

The artwork to Wood Green Mall car park spiral ramp will act as a visual anchor and key piece of wayfinding along the north/south route of Mayes Road and the east/west connectivity to the Cultural Quarter from the High Road thereby

improving legibility and enhancing the public realm. The commissioning of the artwork will also involve public engagement with a focus on youth involvement. The artwork will also build on GGF1 projects including recommendations for DDA improvements, Penstock Tunnel artist commissioning and the pocket park constructed on Mayes Road. The artwork will also aid in the renewal strategy for Wood Green Mall and the forthcoming community/civic offer that will be located at Wood Green Mall.

7. Contribution to strategic outcomes

- 7.1. Economy Priority: 'A growing economy which provides opportunities for all our residents and supports our businesses to thrive' (outcome 13) and 'A borough where all residents have access to training and skills development opportunities and more people are supported into work' (outcome 14). The projects will support local residents to access the jobs and deliver significant transformation of the town centre whilst safeguarding existing businesses.
- 7.2. Place Priority: 'A healthier, active and greener place' (outcome 9) through improving public realm spaces in the town centre and improve the air quality, especially around schools.
- 7.3. People Priority: 'Every young person, whatever their background, has a pathway to success for the future' (outcome 6) through projects to provide safe spaces and opportunities to develop their skills and contribute to the design of improvements to Wood Green Town Centre and Turnpike Lane.

8. Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance, Equalities)

Finance

- 8.1. This reports seeks cabinet approval to accept the £850,000 GGF Accelerator Fund, and agree that it be added into the preexisting GGF3 grant agreement via a Deed of Variation. If agreed, the resources will be added to the approved capital programme.

Legal

- 8.2. The Assistant Director of Corporate Governance notes the contents of the report.
- 8.3. Pursuant to the provisions of the Council's Contract Standing Order (CSO) 17.1 Cabinet may approve the receipt of a grant and the variation of a grant agreement in accordance with CSO 9.07 if the value of the grant is £500,000 or more and as such Cabinet has power to approve the receipt of the additional grant and the variation of the grant agreement with the GLA for the receipt of the additional grant in this Report.
- 8.4. The Assistant Director of Corporate Governance sees no legal reasons preventing the approval of the recommendations in the report.

Equality

- 8.5. The Council has a public sector equality duty under the Equality Act (2010) to have due regard to:
- tackle discrimination and victimisation of persons that share the characteristics protected under S4 of the Act. These include the characteristics of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex (formerly gender) and sexual orientation;
 - advance equality of opportunity between people who share those protected characteristics and people who do not;
 - foster good relations between people who share those characteristics and people who do not.
- 8.6. We have been proactive in consulting with a wide and diverse range of people and stakeholders on the Wood Green Strategic Regeneration Framework and Investment Framework documents. This will include groups that represent those with protected characteristics.
- 8.7. An Equalities Impact Assessment has been carried out for the Wood Green Strategic Regeneration Framework. The impact assessments focus on the potential impact on the nine protected characteristics, as well as the potential for addressing identified inequalities relating to areas of: employment, connectivity/transport, housing, air quality, education, training, skills, health and wellbeing, diversity and crime.

9. Use of Appendices

N/A

10. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

Appendix 1: Adaptive Wood Green Budget – GGF 3 and Accelerator Funding

BUDGET														
ELEMENT	REVENUE				CAPITAL									Project totals
	Haringey (WG Revenue)	BLNP	Youth at Risk Strategy/ Community Gold/ Core Fund	Future Wood Green	Haringey Capital Prog. (Wood Green)	NCIL	SIP (Rev/Cap blind)	Low Carbon Zone Funding (for air quality monitors)	YAR Strategy	BLNP	SCIL	GGF Accelerator	GGF 3	
Youth Hub Scheme														
Empower Young People in the creation of youth space	20,000		20,000		60,000	250,000			100,000		490,000		100,000	1,040,000
GGF3 Scheme														
Building skills and employability with 'Changing Gears'		40,000								37,500			22,500	100,000
Improve Air Quality with School Streets					235,000		80,000						400,000	715,000
Intensify economy through Adaptive Town Centre strategy	20,000			20,000									20,000	60,000
Enterprise Hub					150,000		200,000						430,000	780,000
Back small businesses through Business support							200,000							200,000
Mural on the Mall Carpark											50,000			50,000
Mayes Road Phase 2											300,000			300,000
Caxton Gardens											500,000			500,000
TOTAL	40,000	40,000	20,000	20,000	445,000	250,000	400,000	80,000	100,000	37,500		850,000	872,500	2,705,000
TOTAL ACROSS 2 SCHEMES														3,745,000