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COMMITTEE: COUNCIL

DATE: 9TH NOVEMBER 2004

SUBJECT: CRAWLEY GREEN PAVILION - CONNECTION TO

THE MAINS DRAINS

REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE

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IMPLICATIONS:

LEGAL COMMUNITY SAFETY

EQUALITIES ENVIRONMENT

FINANCIAL

✓ CONSULTATIONS

STAFFING OTHER

WARDS AFFECTED: WIGMORE

PURPOSE

 The purpose of this report is to refer to the Council a recommendation of the Executive in respect of approving a spend to save scheme for connecting Crawley Green Pavilion to mains drains.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

2. COUNCIL is recommended to approve a spend to save scheme for connecting Crawley Green Pavilion to mains drains.

BACKGROUND

3. At it's meeting held on 4th October, 2004, Executive considered a report of the Head of Street Services "Crawley Green Pavilion – Connection to Mains Drains". Details of the invest to save issues are set out below.

REPORT

- 4. Crawley Green Sports and Social Club and Ashcroft High School have been successfully granted money from the Football Foundation to enlarge the pavilion and renovate a redundant artificial grass surface. The surface will be used by the school for day use, early evening by local children and then adult use from 7.00pm
- 5. The council are under obligation under the terms and conditions of the lease to take away the sewerage waste. Regular emptying of cesspits is the method currently used.
- 6. Once the pavilion is enlarged and the artificial surface reopened the increase in the use if the pavilion will increase dramatically and low estimates are that the use will double

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7. Attached at Appendix A is the detailed Invest to Save Proposal and Appendix B the capital project appraisal. The scheme has been approved by the Budget Challenge Group.
- 8. Based on the expected level of use the outlay of £22,960 will have an expected payback period of 3 years. This period is based on the estimated cost of emptying the cesspit twice as often due to the increase in usage. An estimate for the yearly cost of emptying the cesspit from a newly refurbished pavilion is £7,650 per year.
- 9. The cost of emptying the cesspit based on the current level of usage is about £3,800 per year, which equates to a pay back period of 6 years. If the recommendation is not supported the on-going annual cost to the Council for emptying the cesspit will double.

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Detailed Invest to Save Proposal.

Appendix B: Capital Project Appraisal.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972, SECTION 100D

12. Executive Report Reference: EX/10/04/11.3 and Executive decision EX/292/04.