

Agenda item 4

For approval – Mary Baily Design Project with Young People

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Summary

The project recommendation is a shared community open space that is designed by young people with the support of a commissioned experienced design organisation in Mary Baily Playing Field.

Project Context

- The project aligns with the priority objectives of the management plan for the space, and Frome Town Council's Play Strategy (2021-2025) review recommendations, and the wider Town Council work programme: an ambition to bring designers and young people together to invest, develop and enhance a space.
- The work plan has an attached budget to encourage active citizenship and democracy in Children and Young People, to enable their voices to be heard, and their meaningful contribution to the development of community spaces.
- The project will ensure that the enhancement of the space also considers a wider community vision.
- The project will create a space that is co-designed by young people in the community and acts as an FTC legacy project.
- The Environment team have funding to start the works with further funding allocated in next years budget for Mary Baily.
- Co-design is a concept that had been embraced nationally, and is an example of how spaces can be designed differently
- [A visual report can be viewed at appendix 4.1 which can be viewed on the website here](#)

Recommendations

1. The project would be allocated £12,000 from the Communities Team Funding.
2. Commissioning an organisation to lead the project will be delegated to Nikki Cox and Melody Hunter Evans in the Communities Team.