

“What about the infrastructure?”

MNF SUMMARY SHEET **3**:

GREEN / BLUE INFRASTRUCTURE

SERIES INTRODUCTION:

According to RBWM’s Borough Local Plan 2013-2033, the population of Maidenhead and Cox Green will see a rise of about 45%, so people often ask about the plans for new infrastructure to support this growth –schools, surgeries, roads etc. The Borough Local Plan that is shortly to be adopted was supported by an Infrastructure Delivery Plan (2019), but it’s a lengthy and complex document, so the Forum has created this series of short summaries to help residents understand what is planned.

This third sheet summarises the plans for green/blue infrastructure – things like green spaces and waterways .

Infrastructure investment is general funded by a combination of government grants, developer contributions and borrowing by RBWM.

Importantly, the 2019 Infrastructure Delivery Plan is a “living document” which is continually updated, with new projects, new cost estimates and new proposed timings. The full RBWM Planning document can be found at:

<https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/planning/planning-policy/evidence-base-and-monitoring/evidence-base>

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| Project | Purpose | Delivery/Funding Partner | Est. Cost | Period |
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| Thrift Wood Open Space/ Playing Fields (86 Acres) | Address shortfall c/f standards | | £0.5m | n/a |
| Deerswood Meadow Local Nature Reserve | Enhance for wildlife | | £0.05m | Complete |
| Play Space (locations to be confirmed) | SANGs plus biodiversity | Natural England/ Landowners | tba | 1-5Yrs |
| Shurlock Row public open space x 2 | Address shortfall c/f standards | Parish Council | £0.5m | 1-5Yrs |
| Green Spine running N to S in SW Maidenhead | Biodiversity, walking, cycling, etc | Developers | tba | tba |
| Maidenhead Golf Course central green public area | Combine existing ecological areas | Developers | tba | tba |

Indicative Category Total (where costed) - £1.1m + tba

Memo: SANGs = Suitable Accessible Natural Green Space, primarily to serve new development

Maidenhead Neighbourhood Forum is an independent group of residents, businesses and local workers formed mid-2019 to develop - as volunteers - the Neighbourhood Plan for Maidenhead. More details at www.mnf.org.uk