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If you have any queries or wish to obtain further report information or information on a decision, please refer to:
– Claire Johnson (ext.1154)

Phone 020 8132 then extension number indicated

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1/43/19-20	Cabinet Member for Environment & Sustainability	Wednesday 4 December 2019	Part 1	Enfield Chase Restoration Project – Woodland Creation in Enfield.	KD4980	Chase, Cockfosters and Highlands	Tuesday 3 December 2019	1

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LIST REFERENCE: 1/43/19-20

SUBJECT TITLE OF THE REPORT:							
ENFIELD CHASE RESTORATION PROJECT – WOODLAND CREATION IN ENFIELD							
Part 1 or 2 (relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by decision	Decision taken by	Date Decision comes in to effect	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of decision (i.e. Key, Non-Key, Council, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-in & Date to be called in by
1	Chase, Cockfosters and Highlands	Cabinet Member for Environment and Sustainability	Wednesday 4 December 2019	None	Key Decision KD4980	Ian.Russell@enfield.gov.uk 020 8132 0964	Yes- Tuesday 3 December 2019
DECISION							
<p>AGREED: that the following decision will come into effect on Wednesday 4 December 2019, subject to not being called in:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To approve the scheme in principle, subject to finalisation of the woodland creation plans and confirmation of funding. Accept £748k of funding from the GLA and seek additional funding contributions from the Forestry Commission. To prepare and submit a Borough Capital bid of £150k for 2020/21 to ensure that the project is adequately funded and that the match-funding requirements related to the external funding are met. A subsequent report will then be submitted to seek approval for the delivery of the recommended scheme. 							
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED							
<p>Do Nothing. This scheme is part of a series of improvements to improve the biodiversity and amenity value of Enfield's rural land. To do nothing will lose an opportunity to attract significant funding to the London Borough of Enfield, improve the environment, for both people and wildlife, and reduce flood risk to local residents and infrastructure. In addition, by not proceeding with this proposal the Council would miss an opportunity to make a positive contribution to reducing borough-wide carbon emissions and addressing the world- wide climate emergency.</p>							
REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS							
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Contribution to mitigating climate change by offsetting carbon emissions. It is estimated that broadleaf woodlands can capture 3.9 tonnes of carbon per hectare per year, 60 hectares of woodland would be expected to capture 234 tonnes per year. Consequently, the scheme has the potential to offset over 20,000 tonnes of carbon emissions over its lifetime. Increased opportunities for recreational activities such as walking and cycling, by improving access to Enfield's Green Belt land, and associated benefits to public health and well-being. As well as providing a focal point for the historical interest of restoring the ancient woodland of Enfield Chase. Improvements to the environment by creating woodland habitat that benefits biodiversity and alleviates flood risk by reducing rainfall runoff from Enfield's rural upland areas. 							

4. Increased access to nature including creating opportunities for education in a natural environment.
5. By investing £150k we are able to leverage in £1.27m of external investment of £748k from the GLA and £519k through the Forestry Commission's Woodland Carbon Fund.

BACKGROUND

Please note that a copy of the Part 1 report is available on the Council's democracy pages.