



## Report to the Partnership for South Hampshire Overview and Scrutiny Committee

**Date:** 13 January 2021  
**Report of:** Paddy May, Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership (SRMP) Board Chair  
Anna Parry, Partnership Manager  
**Subject:** Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership (Bird Aware) Site Specific Projects

Summary of the report being presented to PfSH Joint Committee, 25 January

### SUMMARY

The purpose of this paper is to seek endorsement from the Joint Committee for the Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership's (SRMP) revised recommendations for how site specific funding should be allocated

### RECOMMENDATION

It is RECOMMENDED that the Overview & Scrutiny Committee:-

- a) NOTES the contents of this report and consider any comments to be passed to the Joint Committee for consideration.
- b) NOTES that Joint Committee will be asked to:-
  - i) NOTE and ENDORSE the Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership's revised proposal for site specific projects to be supported.

## BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY

1. The SRMP is projected to have £400k per annum to allocate towards funding site specific projects to deliver mitigation measures.
2. In 2018 all SRMP Partners were invited to submit project proposals for this funding and a 'site specific projects' sub group analysed these proposals, alongside obtaining clarification from the PfSH Chief Executives and the SRMP Project Board relating to some of the substantive issues arising from this analysis.
3. A series of recommendations for the allocation of the funding was then endorsed by the PfSH Joint Committee in July 2019, with the first round of funding starting in April 2020.
4. Since that time, one of the supported projects has withdrawn from the scheme and the Project Board have considered proposals for the reallocation of this funding.
5. The withdrawn project is the proposed Hayling Island bird refuge site, which was originally allocated £220k funding in year 1, but is no longer being actioned by Havant Borough Council.
6. As a result of this withdrawal, the SRMP has contacted all project proposers from the reserve lists to seek mobilisation information and engage with them about their ability to bring their project forward.
7. This work has resulted in the Partnership being able to create a revised schedule of projects - listed below, including reserve and unsupported projects) that could be supported. Joint Committee will be asked to note and endorse this new schedule.

Yr 1 Projects	£336,850
Yr 2 Projects	£283,040
Yr 3 Projects	£324,900

Site Location	Proposer	Type	Summary	Total score	Project cost £s	Revised Timescale
LHFM and LHOB (line 7)	RSBP	Bird refuge and habitat creation	Shingle recharge of key winter roosting sites and associated interpretation	23	100,000	Yr 1 Projects
LHSM (line 8)	HIWWT	Bird refuge and habitat provision	Southmoor Refuge and Habitat Provision	21	22,000	Yr 1 Projects

LHWT, LHBT, LHOB. (line 9)	Havant BC	Bird refuge and habitat provision	Hayling Island Brent Goose and Wader Refuge	21	222,000	Withdrawn
CHMA – Marina (line 10)	Chi Harbour Conservancy	Site specific visitor management	Additional fencing, hedge-laying and signage at Apuldram Manor farm	20	3,000	Yr 1 Projects
SWBM (line 11)	HCC	Site specific visitor management	Bunny Meadows Footpath and Circular Footpath	19	150,000	Yr 1 Projects
CHFI Fishbourne (line 12)	Chi DC	Bird refuge and site specific visitor management	Creation and extension of board walk and fencing at East Head	20	20,600	Yr 1 Projects
SWWS (line 13)	Southampton CC	New and enhanced strategic greenspace	Peartree Green Footpath upgrade	18	38,350	Yr 1 Projects
SWBM (line 14)	HCC	Bird refuge and habitat provision	Bunny Meadows Bird Refuge	17	2,900	Yr 1 Projects
CHEH (line 15)	Chi DC	Site specific visitor management	Boardwalks at Fishbourne meadow	19	10,000	Yr 2 Projects
CHPR Prinstead (line 16)	Chi DC	Bird refuge and site specific visitor management	Fencing and hedge planting at March farm spit	18	17,000	Yr 2 Projects
CHEH (line 17)	Chi DC	Public engagement and education initiatives	Sand art and sculpture workshops at East Head – Visitor Engagement-	18	6,000	Yr 2 Projects
SWWS (line 18)	Southampton CC	New and enhanced strategic greenspace	Shoreburs Greenway – NE section	18	47,100	Yr 2 Projects

IWBM (line 19)	RSPB	Site specific visitor management	Erecting a dog proof stock fence either side of a permissive path	17	10,940	Yr 2 Projects
SWIN Itchen North (line 20)	Eastleigh BC	Enhanced strategic greenspace	Access improvements at Itchen Valley Country Park	15	147,000	Yr 2 Projects
IWMW (line 21)	IoW Council	Bird refuge and habitat provision Public engagement and education initiatives	Bird Refuge	19	324,900	Yr 3 Projects

8. The SRMP has therefore created a revised schedule of projects (including reserve and unsupported projects) that could be supported and which will be presented to Joint Committee. Joint Committee will be asked to note and endorse this new schedule.
9. Because of the withdrawal of the Hayling Island bird refuge, the SRMP is able to bring forward and reallocate funding for two 'year 2' projects while continuing to support all other originally approved projects. The changes also allow for an additional project to be funded within the reallocation.

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## ENQUIRIES:

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