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| UPGRADES TO OFF-STREET CAR PARKS (TRANSFERRED BY TRANSPORT NI) | 1st March 2016 |
| To: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE | |
| For Decision | |

| Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19) | |
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| Strategic Theme | Protecting the Environment |
| Outcome | Protect, enhance and promote opportunities for greater enjoyment of our natural environment |
| Lead Officer | John Richardson |
| Cost: (If applicable) | Provision in Capital Programme: £150,000.00 |

The purpose of this Report is to request permission to progress to Stage 2 of the Capital Programme Management System (development of detailed designs and Specifications and progression of procurement process)

Background

Members will be aware on the 1st April 2015, thirty seven off-street car parks transferred to Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council from Transport NI under the provision of Transfer of Designated Off-Street Car Parks, Assets and Liabilities Scheme 2015.

Prior to the Transfer, Transport NI had committed to carry out public liability inspections and complete remedial works to arising defects.

In recent months, Council Officers have commissioned a defects survey and condition report of all transferred car parks to gain an appreciation of their current status and to implement a planned maintenance programme to ensure car park surfaces are at an acceptable standard.

On completion of this defects survey each car park was given a priority ranking based on their condition and footfall with budget costs prepared for remedial works. In most cases the repair works will consist of kerb modifications, scarifying, resurfacing and relining.

The following car parks have been identified as requiring the most immediate attention;

- The Mall, Coleraine
- Abbey Street, Coleraine

In an effort to maximise the use of the budget of £150,000.00 as included within the Capital Programme, officers will consider options to target the worst affected areas of the above car parks which may consist of a combination of full / partial repairs to the car parks.

The high use of these car parks and their importance to traders will also be considered, and it will therefore be necessary to carefully plan the works to cause the minimum amount of inconvenience.

Recommendation

It is recommended the Environmental Services Committee approve progression of this project to Stage 2 of the Capital Programme Management System by developing detailed designs and Specifications and progression of the procurement process.