

Installation of three new lighting columns at Hargher Clough Park

Design and Access Statement

Background

The proposed amphitheatre site (which includes the installation of three new lighting columns) at Hargher Clough Park is currently an unused tarmacadam surface within a larger public open space. The amphitheatre project work will occupy an area of approximately 0.108 hectares (1080 m²).

Existing tarmacadam surface where new amphitheatre and lighting will be created.



The open space comprises of a play area (split across two areas), two ball courts, Wheeled sports area, seating, landscaped areas, junior cycleway (on tarmac surface), mown grass and some informal footpaths that provide access to the park's facilities on site from Hargher Street and Harold Street.

The site is bounded to the north side (Venice Street) by West End Community Centre, to the West (Cog Lane) by railings, to the east (Hargher Street) by railings and to the south (Harold Street) by railings – please refer to 'Location Plan' within the Other documents section of the planning application.

Burnley Council owns the freehold of the land. The Council manage and maintain the site on an annual basis and the project has been developed in conjunction with West End Community Association (who are based in the Community Centre that backs on to the site).

Proposal Description

Planning permission is sought to install 3 new lighting columns that would be used to light up the new amphitheatre area. The work would include the following specification:

- Modify existing supply point switchgear to accommodate a new dedicated supply to Amphitheatre lighting.
- Install SWA cabling in duct from Mains position to all lighting units.
- Install 3 No 5 metre "Raise and Lower" galvanised steel heavy duty lighting columns.
- Install 3 No Type 4 Double pole fused cut-outs to LCC specification.
- Install 3 No "T-bar" stirrup floodlighting brackets.
- Install 3 No flat glass LED floodlights complete with Photocell control.
- Test and Commission.

The lighting will only be used for organised performances/events and will be operated manually by the Council and/or Community Centre. The lights will be positioned to only illuminate the performance area in front of the terraced area.

A number of new trees will be planted beyond the mound where the amphitheatre and lighting columns are to be developed and installed. The trees will be sympathetic to the environment and planted strategically (so as not to cause any issues with the lighting columns). Details of the full scheme are provided in the Layout Plan in the 'Site/Block Plan Section'.

A contractor has been appointed (via a tendering process) for most of the creation of the amphitheatre work excluding the lighting columns installation. The contractor will be responsible for the laying of the services trench for electricity only.

The electrical and associated installation of 3 new lighting columns work will be tendered. We will work with the lighting contractor and the amphitheatre works contractor to ensure that the minimal amount of disruption is forthcoming, and that construction vehicles/machinery will not have a detrimental impact on the vicinity of the site. The health & safety of the public is paramount.

For the protection of residential amenity and the community centre, the proposed times of on-site construction shall be limited to the following hours:

0800 to 1700 Monday to Friday and 0800 to 1300 on Saturdays.

No construction operations on Sundays or public holidays.

The amphitheatre work is scheduled to take place first with the lighting work being completed afterwards.

The lighting work is scheduled to take approximately 1 week to complete.