

PETITION FROM THE RESIDENTS OF ST CLARE'S CLOSE

Report of the Director of Housing and Customer Service

1. SUMMARY

A petition was delivered to Derby Homes at the Leaseholders Meeting on the 4 May 2011 from sixteen residents of St Clare's Close. The petitioners were requesting that Derby Homes review car parking provision. A letter acknowledging the petition was sent to the lead petitioner.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the City Board notes the report and action taken by the Stockbrook Street Housing and Neighbourhood Manager to resolve the issue.

3. MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 Paula Solowij, the Housing and Neighbourhood Manager advised the meeting that she was aware of the issues and outlined actions that were already being considered to resolve the issue.
- 3.2 Problems arose because historically, not all residents were issued with parking permits for the car parks on St Clare's Close. The issue is exacerbated by residents who choose to park in areas for convenience, whilst leaving a car park located in an unpopular area, with ample space.
- 3.3 The Housing and Neighbourhood Manager attempted to find a solution by offering to submit a bid for Estates Pride funding to improve security and lighting on a parking area near St David's Close. Letters were sent to thirteen residents outlining the proposals but only one resident replied positively. As the improvement scheme would cost approximately £55,000, the proposal was dropped.
- 3.4 The petitioners were also requesting that an area referred to as the 'bottom car park' is restricted to certain residents only. This is not a car park but an area near the main road which, although marked out with parking spaces, has been adopted by the Council's Highways department and Derby Homes is not in a position to place conditions on parking. Currently, residents park in the spaces do so on a 'first come, first serve basis'.
- 3.5 The petitioners are requesting that all residents are provided with parking permits. As a result, the Neighbourhoods and Housing Manager has consulted with 39 residents who currently do not have a parking permit with the following results.

- 11 residents indicated they would like a permit
- 3 do not require one
- 1 said they may.

A parking permit will be issued to all residents who responded that they need one.

4. CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS

All residents who do not have permits have been consulted

The areas listed below have no implications directly arising from this report:

- Financial and **Business Plan**
- Legal and Confidentiality
- Personnel
- Environmental
- Equalities Impact Assessment
- Health & Safety
- Risk
- Policy Review

If Board members or others would like to discuss this report ahead of the meeting please contact the author, or Phil Davies, Chief Executive, phil.davies@derbyhomes.org – Phone: 01332 888528

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