

LOCAL HOUSING BOARD NORTH 2 APRIL 2009

ITEM A8

ESTATES PRIDE QUICKFIX BIDS

Pickering Rise, Welshpool Road, 208-218 Max Road, Highgate Green garages and Hampstead Drive

Report of the Director of Investment & Regeneration

1. SUMMARY OF REPORT

This report updates the Board on the bids for funding from the quick fix fund within Estates Pride in response to known problems, in particular to reduce crime, nuisance, and vandalism.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 That the Board approves the bid for funding for
 - 1. Pickering Rise Supply and fit 15 bollards to the area. £1,140.00
 - 2. Welshpool Road Supply and fit black metal bow top fencing and gates to grassed area. Supply and install 3 concrete bollards. £5,000.00
 - **3. 208-218 Max Road** Improve the rear lighting to bungalows and pathway. £1,154.20
 - **4. Highgate Green Garages** Clear brambles to side and rear of garages. £550.00
 - **5. 2 8 Hampstead Drive** To supply and fit black metal bow top fencing and gates adjacent to 8 Hampstead Drive. £7,000.00
- 2.2 That the Local Board notes the update on the works outlined in paragraph 3.6 and any relevant changes made.

3. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 **Pickering Rise** Currently some residents drive their vehicles along a footpath so they can park their vehicles directly outside their properties. This is very dangerous behaviour and the new bollards would stop this behaviour immediately. The Housing Office has visited the properties on a number of occasions but this behaviour continues. The cost is £1,140.00. (Please see appendix 1).
- 3.2 **Welshpool Road** Vehicles are constantly parked on the open grassed area. This behaviour is dangerous, causes a nuisance to surrounding residents and damages Derby Homes grassed area. The fencing, gates and bollards would alleviate this problem. The cost is £5,000.00. (Please see appendix 2).

- 3.3 **208-218 Max Road** Elderly residents have reported anti-social behaviour to the police. These reports include people trespassing and unknown young people using the rear of the bungalows as a short cut to the main road. The improved lighting will reduce the fear of crime and assist elderly residents entering their properties. The cost is £1154.20 (Please see appendix 3.).
- 3.4 **Highgate Green** On the 7 August 2008 and 5 March 2009, the Local Housing Board approved the demolition of the garage site. We do however need to clear the brambles to the side and rear of the garages to enable the contractors to carry out the work. The cost is £550.00.
- 3.5 **Hampstead Drive** Young people are congregating around the bungalows and this behaviour has resulted in the elderly residents feeling very vulnerable. The fencing and gates would give a physical barrier and would reduce the fear of crime. The cost is £7,000.00. (Please see appendix 4).

3.6 **Update**

58-64 Coniston Crescent – Planning has been approved and an order has been raised.

Cobden Street archway – Work completed.

Meath Ave – Work completed.

Community Watch Patrol – This additional service is up and running addressing the needs of the community.

KICKZ Project – Measures and outcomes have been agreed. The project is successful engaging 60 young people on both Monday and Wednesday evenings and between 30 and 40 young people on Friday evenings. **Climbing Wall** – A meeting has been arranged for 30 April 2009 to move the project forward. The Climbing Wall is still in the process of construction and the Youth Service is also in the process of purchasing the vehicle.

4. CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 **Pickering Rise** Consultation visits were made and residents were made aware of the dangers of driving vehicles along footpaths. The residents were in agreement that these bollards would resolve the problem.
- 4.2 **Welshpool Road** Seven consultation letters were sent. Three residents responded, two residents were in favour and one was against.
- 4.3 **208-218 Max Road** Six consultation letters were sent. All six residents responded all in favour of the work.
- 4.4 **Highgate Green** Seven consultation letters were sent. Three residents replied all in favour of the work.
- 4.5 **Hampstead Drive** Four consultation letters sent. All four residents responded all in favour of the work.

5. FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Quick fix budget	Total committed to date	Estimated total cost of committed schemes	Estimated budget left to allocate	Recommend ed spend this meeting	Unallocated balance carried forward
£125,000.00	£0	£0	£125,000.00	£14,844.20	£110,155.80

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

- Legal and Confidentiality
- Personnel
- Environmental
- Equalities Impact Assessment
- Health & Safety

If Board members or others would like to discuss this report ahead of the meeting please contact the author, or the Chief Executive, phil.davies@derbyhomes.org - Tel 01332 711010

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