

## **DERWENT NEIGHBOURHOOD WARDENS**

Report of the Director of Derby Homes

### **SUMMARY OF REPORT**

- 1.1 Derby Homes was asked by the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership and Derwent New Deal for Communities (NDC) to create and manage a team of neighbourhood wardens. The team will consist of four neighbourhood wardens and a supervisor.
- 1.2 A total of £407,543 was bid to run the project from start-up this year until mid-2006.
- 1.3 The final bid went to the NDC Appraisal Panel in November 2002 and, after some adjustments, went to the Government Office of the East Midlands (GOEM) early in 2003.
- 1.4 On 9 May 2003 authority was received from NDC that GOEM had authorised the new project and Derby Homes was asked to commence recruiting and commence operating the patrol as soon as possible.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 That the Committee notes the report.

### **MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION**

- 3.1 Derby Homes has successfully bid to create and run a neighbourhood warden scheme on the housing estates in the NDC area.
- 3.2 The wardens will operate in a CCTV equipped van. Communications will be by mobile phone to a 24-hour Care Link control room and the police control room. The wardens will operate in the area of Derwent indicated on the attached map.
- 3.3 The wardens' function will be:
  - Provide a uniformed presence in the area, distinct from the police
  - Visiting known "hot spots" and troublesome parts of the area
  - Liaise with the police
  - Provide a back up to other services in the area
  - Establish a liaison with community groups, police and other agencies working in the area.

## **CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS**

4. This scheme has been developed in consultation with tenants and residents as part of the NDC project.

## **FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS PLAN IMPLICATIONS**

5. The costs of this scheme is £407,543 and will be covered by a grant from NDC. This scheme will help reduce anti-social behaviour and nuisance in the area.

## **LEGAL AND CONFIDENTIALITY IMPLICATIONS**

6. None directly arise.

## **PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS**

7. The team will be recruited by advertisement.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

8. The team will help improve the estate appearance and popularity of this area.

## **EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

9. None directly arise.

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