

ESTATES PRIDE QUICK FIX BIDS

Report of the Director of Investment and 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 Local Housing Board approves the bids for funding for:

1. **40-46 Athol Close** – Supply and fit 6 foot wooden close-board fencing, including two single gates and one double gate.
2. **Meadow Way** – Supply and fit PIR security lighting to the front and rear of nine bungalows.
3. **Shakespeare Street** – Fit cranked extensions to the fencing surrounding the Multi Use Games area (MUGA).

2.2 That the Local Housing Board notes the update on the works outlined in paragraph 3.4.

2.3 That the Local Housing Board notes the actual Quick Fix expenditure 2008/09 (appendix 4) and the secured Quick Fix match funding for 2008/09 (appendix 5).

3. MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 **40-46 Athol Close** – The Housing Office has received continuous reports of anti-social behaviour to these flats. This anti-social behaviour includes young people shouting abuse, purposely kicking balls at windows, throwing eggs and breaking windows with stones. Some residents who live in the flats are vulnerable and do not go into the communal garden as they live in fear of this anti-social behaviour. The total cost of this work is £3,000.00 (Please see appendix 1)

3.2 **Meadow Way** – The majority of residents living in the bungalows are elderly and some are disabled. The residents feel vulnerable due to the inadequate lighting and feel that the improved lighting would reduce the risk of anti-social behaviour. The cost is £1,200.00 (Please see appendix 2)

- 3.3 **Shakespeare Street** – Children frequently play basket ball on the MUGA which is really positive. However sometimes the children's aim is not accurate and balls are accidentally thrown over the fence. This behaviour has damaged nearby parked cars but could potentially be more serious by the balls hurting pedestrians walking on the path and by causing a serious accident on the road. The cost is approximately £5,000.00 (Please see appendix 3)

3.4 **Update**

Sporting Futures Initiative – Sporting initiative has started and is ongoing.

Victory Road – Order has been raised.

Climbing Wall – The Youth Service has confirmed that they have received the climbing wall and the vehicle to pull the wall. We are now waiting for the newly appointed Climbing Wall Co-ordinator to commence employment before the wall can be launched and go out on site. We are aiming realistically to launch the wall in July 2009.

Crayford Road – work complete.

1 – 14 Harcourt Street garages – work complete.

Witney Close – order raised.

Stonesdale Court – order raised.

4. **CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 **40 – 46 Athol Close** – Three consultation letters sent. Three residents responded all in favour of the work.
- 4.2 **Meadow Way** – Nine consultation letters sent. Seven residents responded, six in favour and one against.
- 4.3 **Shakespeare Street** – Ten consultation letters sent. One resident responded 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	RECOM-MENDED SPEND THIS MEETING	UNALLO-CATED BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD
£125,000	£14,000	£14,000	£111,000	£9,200.00	£101,800

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

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

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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