



# **ESTATES MAINTENANCE SMALL SCALE BIDS 2015-16**

Report of the Head of Investment

#### 1. SUMMARY

This report requests the Operational Board's approval of an Estates Maintenance small scale bid above £10,000.

### 2. **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Operational Board approves the bid.

### 3. MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 Derby Homes allocates £300,000 a year from its Estates Pride allocation to delivering small scale improvement works that are identified by either local residents or local housing staff. This budget is divided equally between the five housing management areas across the City.
- 3.2 In February 2014, the City Board approved the change in the approval process for small scale bids and the agreement was all bids under £10,000 to be approved by the Heads of Service for Housing Management and Investment. All bids over £10,000 would require approval from the Operational Board.
- 3.3 The local housing management team has identified the following scheme that will benefit from a scheme of improvement/landscaping works:

**Cavan Drive (39-49/51-61)** - the residents have requested that we improve the existing uneven slab pathways leading to the communal entrances and surrounding service strips. These will be completed in a tarmac finish. Whilst on the site we will take the opportunity to reinstate a previously tenant maintained shrub/paving area, back to grass and it will be included within the existing communal grounds works. There have also been reports of football being played in front of the flats' windows by youngsters who do not live within the blocks. This will hopefully be deterred by the installation of some metal metre high fencing, which will be in keeping with neighbouring blocks. The cost of the contracted works is  $\pounds 11,914.12$ .

### 4. CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS

Consultation has been carried out. There are 12 properties within the two blocks, of which 1 at time of consultation was void. Of the 10 replies received, all were in favour of the proposals.

## 5. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

The Small Scale works will have positive environmental impact on the estate.

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

Financial and Business Plan Legal and Confidentiality Council Personnel 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:		
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