

CITY BOARD
18 OCTOBER 2012

ITEM B6

ESTATES PRIDE QUICK FIX BIDS

Report of the Director of Investment and Regeneration

1. SUMMARY

This report updates the City Board on Quick Fix bids which have been approved by Housing Focus Groups.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the City Board notes the report.

3. MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

Details of the approved Quick Fix bids, an update of current bids and a financial breakdown are outlined in Appendix 1 of this report.

4. CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS

Consultation has been carried out for each of these bids. The results are shown in the 'consultation outcome' column in Appendix 1.

5. FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS PLAN

As detailed in Appendix 3.

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

Financial and Business Plan
Legal and Confidentiality
Council
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.

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Supporting Information: None.

APPENDIX 1 ESTATES PRIDE QUICK FIX BIDS

	Bid	Description of work	Why is the work needed?	Area code	Total cost of work	Consultation outcome
1	Pimlico, Mackworth	Dig out communal grassed area and lay membrane and slate chippings.	The first 2 communal areas in front of flats 1-2 and 4-5 are overgrown and not tended by residents. The proposed work will resolve this problem.	NW	£695.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. Twelve consultation letters were sent and six residents responded in favour of the work. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.
2	4 Hampstead Drive, Mackworth	Supply 1m high metal fencing and a single gate.	The tenant has complained to the Housing Office that groups of young people swing on the hand rail and knock at her windows. This is causing a lot of distress to our tenant. The proposed work will resolve this problem.	NW	£1,500.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. One consultation letter was sent and this tenant responded in favour of the work. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.
3	Skegness trip for children living in Sinfin	A trip to Skegness the cost includes coach hire, Natureland Entry and lunch.	The work builds bridges between agency staff and local young people. This has had a noticeable impact on reducing low level ASB – as well as staff gaining a better understanding of the young people and knowledge of their issues and needs in the	SE2	£948.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus

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4	Skegness trip for children living in the Sussex Circus area. (This outing is being shared with children from Mackworth)	A trip to Skegness the cost includes coach hire, Natureland Entry and lunch.	The work builds bridges between agency staff and local young people. This has had a noticeable impact on reducing low level ASB – as well as staff gaining a better understanding of the young people and knowledge of their issues and needs in the locality. The rapport established between staff and young people has also assisted in dealing with young people collectively or on a one to one basis	NE	£474.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.
5	Skegness trip for children living in the Mackworth area. (This outing is being shared with children from Sinfin)	A trip to Skegness the cost includes coach hire, Natureland Entry and lunch	The work builds bridges between agency staff and local young people. This has had a noticeable impact on reducing low level ASB – as well as staff gaining a better understanding of the young people and knowledge of their issues and needs in the locality. The rapport established between staff and young people has also assisted in dealing with young people collectively or on a one to one basis	NW	£474.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.
6	1-11 Oak Street, Normanton	Supply and fit 1m high metal fencing and double gates to perimeter.	The local tenants have complained about fly tipping and lack of security to their windows. The new fencing will resolve this problem.	SW	£3,225.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. Six consultation letters have been sent and three residents

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						responded in favour of the work. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group
7	Richmond Road, Yates Street Normanton	Replace rear fencing between 13 – 39 Yates Street with recycled plastic 1.8m high fencing.	The Housing Office has received numerous complaints about the poor condition of the rear fencing. Due to the poor condition of this fencing there are high levels of anti social behaviour and fly tipping. The proposed work will resolve this problem.	SW	£6,500.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. Forty consultation letters were sent and twenty three residents responded in favour of the work. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group
8	Residential for children living in the Sussex Circus area.	Provision of residential activity break for a total of 60 children aged 9-14 from the Derwent, Sussex Circus, Chaddesden and Spondon areas. The project will span 5 days, and consist of two 3 day sessions which overlap	<p>This 3 day residential activity break at Crowden Youth Hostel will include a range of activities promoting health and well being, and build self confidence and social skills.</p> <p>The activity provides the opportunity for young people to work together to build trust and understanding between peers, and lays the foundations for building a positive working relationship between the young people and group leaders. The activities will also raise awareness of issues affecting young people and provide an opportunity for youngsters to explore their own understanding, attitudes and approaches, as</p>	NE	£6,900	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.

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		midweek, each session catering for 30 children.	<p>well as developing ways of dealing with difficult or challenging situations.</p> <p>Evidence from similar schemes run in other areas of the city have demonstrated improvements in the behaviour of those children engaged, improved relationships between young people and agencies, as well as long term cohesion and respect established as a result of the project.</p>			
9	Residential for children living in the Sinfin area.	Provision of residential activity break for a total of 60 children aged 9-14 from the Sinfin and Osmaston areas. The project will span 5 days, and consist of two 3 day sessions which overlap midweek, each session catering for 30 children.	<p>This 3 day residential activity break at Crowden Youth Hostel will include a range of activities promoting health and well being, and build self confidence and social skills.</p> <p>The activity provides the opportunity for young people to work together to build trust and understanding between peers, and lays the foundations for building a positive working relationship between the young people and group leaders. The activities will also raise awareness of issues affecting young people and provide an opportunity for youngsters to explore their own understanding, attitudes and approaches, as well as developing ways of dealing with difficult or challenging situations.</p> <p>Evidence from similar schemes run in other areas of the city have demonstrated</p>	SE2	£6,900	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group

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10	Skate Park, Chaddesden Park	A contribution to the project.	<p>ASB involving young people is one of the most complained about issues which Derby Homes faces. In many ASB cases investigated by Derby Homes generally the complaints turn out to be no more than youths congregating causing a general nuisance of themselves. When challenged about this young people usually respond by pointing out the lack of facilities and activities for young people to do. High on the list of requested facilities is a skate park. Skateboarding and scootering are extremely popular sports with young people and a great way to exercise. Skate parks encourage young people to get off the streets, they are meeting hub which aids with the engagement efforts of agencies such as Youth Services.</p> <p>There are currently skate parks in Alvaston Park, Bass Rec, Sunny Hill park, Markeaton Park to name a few but none in the north east of the city. The needs and wants of Young People living on our estates can easily be overlooked. Proving young people in the north east of the city with a much</p>	NE	£5,000.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group

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			needed and wanted facility will bring it back in line with the rest of Derby for resources. This request has come directly from a group of young people who have taken it upon themselves to go along to a Forum in order to make a positive difference to the environment in which they live.			
11	86-88, 90-92 112, Parliament Street, Derby	Supply and fit 1m high bow top fencing and two sets of double gates to area.	The local residents have complained that young people are running across their gardens, damaging plants and flowers and also knocking on their doors and windows. The proposed work will resolve this problem.	SW	£4,500.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. Six consultation letters were sent and four residents responded in favour of the work. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group
12	Leonard Walk, Derby	Remove garages and wall and make good the ground. Supply and fit 1m high bow top fencing.	The Leonard Walk garages (block of 6) provide a secluded location for anti-social behaviour including drug taking and prostitution as well as street drinkers urinating behind these garages. On a regular basis the caretakers are collecting needles and condoms from this area. The residents are witnessing prostitution throughout the night in this area. The 6 garages are empty and Derby Homes struggle to let these as the doors are forced open, items stolen and then people are using the garages to sleep in. The Police are regularly patrolling this area and under	SW	£14,250.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. Seventy Seven consultation letters were sent and forty residents responded in favour of the work. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group

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			Operation Scarlet have made a number of arrests.			
13	Cowsley Road, Derwent	Supply 1m high bow top fencing and one set of double gates to open grassed area.	The Housing Office have received complaints from local residents that people are taking short cuts down the bank at the side of new build properties on Cowsley Road. Young people are allegedly revving their motor bikes up and down the grassed bank, causing damage to the grassed areas, noise nuisance and health and safety to other pedestrians. By installing metal fencing, the problem of people accessing the communal area will be resolved.	NE	£6,000.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. Eight consultation letters were sent and five residents responded in favour of the work. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group
14	Radnor Street, Chaddesden	Remove existing broken knee rail and timber posts and make good ground.	By removing these broken posts it will make the area look aesthetically pleasing.	NE	£120.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. Two consultation letters were sent and two residents responded in favour of the work. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group
15	Properties around the Allenton Housing Office	Replace the existing front fencing/hedges and single and double gates	The hedges to the front of the properties around the Allenton Housing Office that have become tatty and unsightly. This is due to the high level of footfall through the area from the schools and shops. Children and	SE1	£16,950.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. Eleven consultation

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		with 1m high recycled plastic fencing and gates.	youths have caused damaged to the hedges and are often reported to jump into the hedges causing holes and gaps in several places. Derby Homes have in some instances have had to remove sections of hedges where it has been too badly damaged. Derby Homes have replaced these gaps with fencing. This has caused the area to appear run down and untidy. If all the hedges were replaced with fencing it would greatly improve the appearance of the area. As part of this project Derby Homes also intends to replace some of the older fencing in the area which has become tired and worn with this new type of sturdy and low maintenance fencing.			letters were sent and all residents responded in favour of the work. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group
16	820 Harvey Road, Allenton	Dig out overgrown area, cart away and tarmac.	This area becomes very overgrown and the tenants cannot access their properties. Derby Homes has to pay for the clearance and maintenance of this area. The proposed work will resolve this problem.	SE1	£950.00	This application has been posted on facebook and Derby Homes website. Two consultation letters were sent and both residents responded in favour of the work. The application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group

QUICK FIX BIDS UPDATE

	Bid Description	Update
1	KICKZ project	The three evening sessions are running well, engaging approximately 130 young people a week. The KICKZ team are running alternative sessions for the young people including funding bid writing and referee training. Details of the sessions are on the Derby Homes website. A monitoring meeting has been arranged for 31.5.12.
2	Sporting Futures	18 months community sports delivery to the young people in Old and New Sinfen. Two sessions are held every week for the duration of 1.5 hours on Friday evening and 2 hours on Saturday lunchtime. A monitoring meeting has been arranged for 19.7.12. Details of the sessions are on the Derby Homes website.
3	Climbing wall	Managers are booking their allocated climbing wall sessions. A climbing wall timetable is on Derby Homes' website.
4	Hampshire Road	Work is in progress but the electricity Board have now informed us that they are removing the electricity sub-station which will impact on our new fencing. We are currently liaising with the Electricity Board regarding their plans.
5	Weirfield Road	DCC Highways Department are leading on this project as it is joint funded. They aim to complete the work by mid September 2012.
6	Bingham Street, Turner Street, Fisher Street, Rowland Street, Mellor Street and Cockayne Street, Allenton	Lorraine Howe is co-ordinating this work and she advised that it is currently on hold and they are awaiting a start date.
7	St Clares Close	Work ordered and we aim to complete by 4 th October 2012.
8	Sinfen Avenue	Work ordered and we aim to complete by 4 th October 2012.
9	36-46 Finsley Avenue	Work ordered and we aim to complete by 4 th October 2012.
10	Fairdene Avenue	Work ordered and we aim to complete by 4 th October 2012.
11	Chellaston Community Centre	Work ordered and we aim to complete by 4 th October 2012.
12	Osprey Close and Falcon Way	Work Completed.
13	149 Coldstream Walk	Work ordered and we aim to complete by 4 th October 2012.
14	Ballater Close	Work Completed.
15	Stonebroom Walk	Work ordered and we aim to complete by 4 th October 2012.
16	41 Moray Walk	Work Completed.
17	22 Nairn Avenue	Work ordered and we aim to complete by 4 th October 2012.
18	37-51 Moray Walk	Work Completed.
19	Repton Avenue	Work ordered and we aim to complete by 4 th October 2012.

QUICK FIX SPEND – 2012/13

Quick Fix Area	Quick Fix allocation(£)	Estimated budget left to allocate (£)	Spend approved at July 2012 HFG (£)	Unallocated balance carried forward (£)
SE1	£61,121.26 (Includes £1,121.26 surplus from HFG)	£60,881.26	£17,900.00	£42,981.26
SE2	£62,032.98 (Includes £2,032.98 surplus from HFG)	£45,804.50	£7,848.00	£37,956.50
SW	£54,345.53 (Includes deducting March 2012 HFG bids)	£38,659.53	£28,475.00	£10,184.53
NW	£60,591.80 (Includes £591.80 surplus from HFG)	£57,131.80	£2,669.00	£54,462.80
NE	£69,800.00 (includes £9,800.00 surplus from HFG)	£55,325.00	£18,494.00	£36,831.00