

**CITY BOARD**  
**24 OCTOBER 2013**

# **ITEM B3**

## **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.

### **2. RECOMMENDATION**

That the City Board notes the report.

### **3. MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION**

3.1 Derby Homes, through the Capital Funding Programme, allocates £300k, divided equally to the five locally managed areas. The work mainly focuses on environmental improvements & community safety. The projects involve local people in the decision making on how and where the fund is spent in their area.

3.2 Details of the approved Quick Fix bids, an update of current bids and a financial breakdown are appended to this report.

### **4. CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS**

Consultation has been carried out for each of these bids. The results are shown in Appendix 1.

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

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## ESTATES PRIDE QUICK FIX BIDS

	Bid	Description of work	Why is the work needed?	Area code	Total cost of work	Consultation outcome
1	Rivermead House	Supply & install metal security bars internally to 2 nr large communal windows	To prevent intruders accessing communal areas and store rooms.	NW	£500.00	This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website. Ninety three consultation letters were sent and sixty one residents responded in favour of the work. This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.
2	Lord Street/ Play Area	Repaint play equipment and existing metal fence 7 gate.  Remove existing damaged surfaces and supply & lay new soft surface.	The play area in present condition looks dull and tired. Also soft surfaces under play equipment are very old creating tripped hazards which indicated concerns over safety of children who are using the playing facilities.  The proposed work is needed for; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• providing the required safety measures</li> <li>• removing current tripped hazards</li> <li>• attracting residents wanting to make good use of play facilities for their children</li> <li>• Reducing ASBs of play equipment.</li> </ul>	SE1	£8,500.00	This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.  This application was considered on a base of the latest consultation result which was in favour of the proposed work.  This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.
3	34-40 Wilkins Drive	Supply & install new 1m & 1.8m high plastic wood fence and gates.	New fence required for; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• reducing repair's cost of existing part broken panels and gates,</li> <li>• providing the needed security of the communal gardens.</li> </ul> New wider gates are for; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Providing easy access to bungalows.</li> </ul>	SE1	£15,120.00	This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.  Four consultation letters have been sent and all four residents responded in favour of the work.

	Bid	Description of work	Why is the work needed?	Area code	Total cost of work	Consultation outcome
		Ground works to include supply & lay new tarmac paths and lay new turf to grass areas.	New tarmac paths for; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removing all current tripped hazards.</li> <li>to provide easy manoeuvre space for elderly tenants</li> <li>making communal garden areas easy to maintain by our Ground maintenance contractors</li> </ul>			This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.
4	Osmaston	To pay the rent charges of a room hire for running Literacy Classes.	The residents at the site are currently supported by the Senior Housing Officer, but the proposal is to give residents much more independence and open up more opportunities for education and helping them to self-manage and sustain their tenancies	SE2	£480.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>Ten residents were consulted in person and all ten residents responded in favour of the work.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>
5	Sinfin/Osmaston-Stray cats	Purchase of number of cat castrations (Initiative for neutering and spaying cats)	<p>To reduce nuisance of stray cats to tenants and residents alike and to stop issues like cats fouling, scavenging, entering homes, and fighting with other local cats</p> <p>There have been problems in the Sinfin and Osmaston area with stray cats breeding and causing a nuisance to residents. This proposal would fund the provision of vouchers for Derby Homes tenants to be able to have their cat neutered or spayed for no charge. There are current voucher systems available through charities, but only people in receipt of a means tested benefit are eligible. This scheme will attempt to extend the opportunity to families on low income who do not receive a qualifying benefit.</p>	SE2	£2,000.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>

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6	Lenton Avenue	Close up gap with Supply & install new 1.8m high timber fence	Proposed work also needed for; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>replacing existing broken fence that has been damaged by vandalism and passed beyond being repaired.</li> <li>securing boundary &amp; preventing unauthorised access to the rear of properties &amp; to stop issues of fly tipping.</li> </ul>	NE	£750.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>
7	10-16 Belfast Walk	Brick up existing gate.	The gated access to the rear of the block leading from the communal garden on to a private car park (which is only used by the owner of local businesses) needs securing.	NE	£850.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>
8	Belfast Walk Car Park	Close up gap with Supply & install new 1.8m high timber fence panel.	Proposed work is required to fill gap in fence and to secure the area so that motorbikes cannot pass through the gap causing damages to parked vehicles.	NE	£200.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>
9	Millom Place	Supply & install new 2.4m high wire mesh fencing.	<p>The proposed work is required to secure the woodland area in front of properties at the top of Millom Place as it has been subject to regular rubbish dumping.</p> <p>This bid will fund the installation of fencing to protect this area and prevent any more dumping and remove gaps for cutting through access which will help stopping tress passing from the Millom Place end.</p>	NW	£2475.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>Eleven consultation letters were sent and eight residents responded in favour of the work.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>

	Bid	Description of work	Why is the work needed?	Area code	Total cost of work	Consultation outcome
10	Sussex Circus play area. <i>This is a new bid – please see Appendix 2 item 38 regarding the previous bid for this area.</i>	Completely remove the existing planter and grass seed over the whole area	<p>The planter is in a bad state of disrepair and has been repaired several times previously by Derby Homes repairs team.</p> <p>The removal of planter is required to prevent ASB and constant nuisance of street drinkers in the area as requested by ward councillors and public.</p>	NE	£1620.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>
11	76 – 78 Beaufort Street	Remove and cart away existing metal palisade fence and refit to the other site. Supply & install new 900mm high timber fence, 2nr s/gate & 2 nr d/gate	<p>The current fence is not suitable for the residential area also two properties were highlighted for a pilot scheme to have galvanised fencing a few years ago. The two properties now stand out on the street, making the area look unsightly.</p> <p>This bid will replace the fencing to match the neighbouring properties.</p>	NE	£2520.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>Two consultation letters were sent and both residents returned consultation in favour of the work.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>
12	107 – 121 Beaufort Street	Remove existing post & rails and replace with timber fence & gates to match with neighbouring properties. Supply &	<p>The 8 properties have knee high fencing and railings. The properties stand out from the neighbouring properties on the estate. Some of the posts &amp; rails are missing.</p> <p>To provide added security and peace of mind and to prevent people from climbing over</p>	NE	£3580.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>Eight consultation letters were sent and six residents returned consultation in favour of the work.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>

	Bid	Description of work	Why is the work needed?	Area code	Total cost of work	Consultation outcome
		install new 1.8m high metal bow top fence panel & single gate to the side access next to no. 107				
13	Wollaton Road North	Supply & install 7 nr cast iron bollards.	<p>Residents and Councillors have complained about car owners damaging the grassed area.</p> <p>The need for work is to fund the installation of bollards along the bottom of the grassed area to prevent vehicle access.</p>	NE	£1575.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>
14	Derwent	Match fund contribution for KICKZ Project.	<p>Proposed contribution is required by Derby Homes for securing additional match funding for KICKZ projects.</p> <p>The current project is in the process of developing sustainable activities for young people in the area, to promote lifelong participation in physical activities.</p> <p>We hope to ensure that the good work the project does can continue. The young people who attend KICKZ would also like it to continue. Over 450 people have already been involved in activities offered by the KICKZ project in Derwent. Almost half of KICKZ participants live in Derby Homes' properties.</p>	NE	£5,000.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>

	<b>Bid</b>	<b>Description of work</b>	<b>Why is the work needed?</b>	<b>Area code</b>	<b>Total cost of work</b>	<b>Consultation outcome</b>
15	Gerard Street/ Communal Flats	Supply & install new 1.8m high wire mesh fence, 1 nr single gate with cranked posts. Also supply & fit metal anti-sit plates on top of existing brick retainer walls.	<p>To make area safer and deter people from sitting on the walls in front of the properties drinking, using drugs and causing anti-social behaviour. Residents find this intimidating when accessing the blocks.</p> <p>To fence off a section of grassed area to the rear of the car park to stop people/ drinkers sleeping on during night leaving litter behind</p> <p>The proposed work will provide added security for our residents and benefit the community</p>	SW	£5,200.00	<p>This application has been posted on Facebook and Derby Homes website.</p> <p>Thirty eight consultation letters were sent and nineteen residents responded in favour of the work.</p> <p>This application has been approved at the Housing Focus Group.</p>



**QUICK FIX BIDS UPDATE**

	<b>Bid Description</b>	<b>Update</b>
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.
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. Details of the sessions are on the Derby Homes website.
3	Climbing wall	Derby Homes are liaising with DCC Youth Service to agree a way forward to get the remaining climbing wall sessions delivered.
4	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.
5	Skate Park at Chaddesden	The funding has been transferred into a holding account until the total amount has been secured.
6	Boulton Lane, Alvaston	Works completed. Additional work of Planting new hedge row and reinstate grass areas requested by Local councillor is under negotiation with DCC as they maintain these areas.
7	Residential for children living in the Alvaston, Allenton, Chellaston area.	The funding has been transferred to the relevant budget for this residential to take place.
8	1-15 Quarn Gardens	Works completed.
9	34-40 Wilkins Drive	Works completed
10	Ballater Close	Works completed
11	Tennyson Street Play Area	Works completed.
12	Byron Street/ Northumberland Street	Works completed.
13	BMX Project -Osmaston	On hold- The funding has been transferred to the relevant budget for this project to take place. Derby Homes to contribute towards BMX coaching sessions and annual evaluation survey over 5 years
14	95-125 Cardigan Street	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
15	Tennyson Street/ Play Area	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
16	Richmond Road	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
17	3 Arthur Court	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
18	Rivermead House/ Recycle Area	Ground work is completed. Fencing work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
19	64 Somerset Street	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
20	Harvey Road/ Communal Flats	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013

21	19 Tintagel Close	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
22	Noel Street	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
23	28 Hampshire Road	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
24	Eden Street	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
25	81-83 Hillcrest Rd	Fencing & Lighting works completed. Anti-climb paint work is ordered, Aim to complete by 18.10.2013
26	Windmill House	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
27	17-34 Colville Street	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
28	1-27 Elms Street	Notice of working near Highways was submitted and permission has been granted. Ground works completed. Fencing work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
29	22 -40 Quarn Gardens	Notice of working near Highways was submitted and permission has been granted. Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
30	41 -59 & 14 -20 Quarn Gardens	Notice of working near Highways was submitted and permission has been granted. Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
31	2 - 12 Quarn Gardens	Notice of working near Highways was submitted and permission has been granted. Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
32	17 - 39 Quarn Gardens	Notice of working near Highways was submitted and permission has been granted. Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
33	12-14 Greenville Croft	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 18.10.2013
34	20-34 Queens Ferry Gardens	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
35	Castle House Flats	Works completed.
36	2-30 & 7-23 Craddock Ave. 25 & 27 Langley Road	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
37	16-18 Hilton Close, Mickleover	Work is ordered, Aim to complete by 31.10.2013
38	Sussex Circus Play Area	This application was rejected at July 2013 HFG meeting because the project improvements to the grass area around Sussex Circus was to be joint funded by ourselves and the Derwent Board who queried the costs and so it was not approved. Further information will be submitted to the Derwent Board on 23 October and resubmitted to the November HFG if the Derwent Board approves the spend.
39	Sinfin/Osmaston Match fund project	Derby Homes to contribute for match fund towards the total cost of this project. The fund to be transferred to the relevant budget.
40	Rivermead House	Work is ordered,
41	Lord Street/ Play Area	Work is ordered,
42	34-40 Wilkins Drive	Ground work is ordered. Fencing works omitted.
43	Osmaston-Literacy Fund	Work is ordered,
44	Sinfin/Osmaston- Stray cats	Work is ordered,
45	Lenton Avenue	Work is out to Tender.
46	10-16 Belfast Walk	Work is ordered.
47	Belfast Walk - Car Park	Work is ordered.

48	Millom Place	Work is out to Tender.
49	Sussex Circus/Play Area	Work is ordered,
50	76-78 Beaufort Street	Work is out to Tender.
51	107-121 Beaufort Street	Work is out to Tender.
52	Wollaton Road North	Work is out to Tender.
53	Derwent-KICKZ	The funding will be transferred into a holding account until the total amount has been secured.
54	Gerard Street- Communal Flats	Work is out to Tender.

**QUICK FIX SPEND – 2013/14**

Quick Fix Area	Quick Fix allocation For 2013/14 (£-P)	Estimated budget left to allocate (£-P)	Spend approved at September 2013 HFG (£-P)	Unallocated balance carried forward (£-P)	Comment
SE1	£101,431.61 (Includes allocated amounts of March 2013 HFG bids)	£36,412.61	-£15,620.00	£20,792.61	Final adjustment is required in total spend of July 2013 within approved budget due to the scale and nature of project works.
SE2	£93,257.57 (Includes allocated amounts of March 2013 HFG bids)	£44,728.31	-£2,480.00	£42,248.31	Final adjustment is required in total spend of July 2013 within approved budget due to the scale and nature of project works.
SW	£67, 830.33 (Includes allocated amounts of March 2013 HFG bids)	£48,666.58	-£5200.00	£43,466.58	Final adjustment is required in total spend of July 2013 within approved budget due to the scale and nature of project works.
NW	£100,683.22 (Includes allocated amounts of March 2013 HFG bids)	£28,134.72	-£500.00	£28,864.72	
NE	£89,975.56 (Includes allocated amounts of March 2013 HFG bids)	£43,182.94	-£22,715.00	£20,467.94	Final adjustment is required in total spend of July 2013 within approved budget due to the scale and nature of project works.