

ESTATES PRIDE QUICK FIX BIDS

Report of the Director of Investment and Regeneration

1. SUMMARY

This report updates the City 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

That the City Board:

2.1 approves the bids for funding for:

- 1. 2- 12 Quarn Gardens** – To supply and fit 1m high black metal fence and two single lockable gates. Dig out and lay 1.5m of concrete to enable access to the gate.
- 2. St Annes's Close** – To install two drop down bollards, remove wooden posts and supply and fit 1m high black metal bow top fencing. Remove two metal benches and make good the ground.
- 3. 108 Cornwall Road** – To supply and fit 1.8m high recycled plastic fencing and gate to front boundary.
- 4. Pickering Rise** – To supply and fit two drop down bollards.

2.2 notes the update on the works outlined in paragraph 3.5.

2.3 approves combining the North and South budget into one Quick Fix city budget.

3. MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 2- 12 Quarn Gardens — The Housing Office has received complaints that young people are often banging on the residents' windows. The new fencing will stop this anti-social behaviour. The total cost of this work is £3,200.00. Please note there is no Estates Pride Large Scale funding for this area.

3.2 St Annes's Close — The Housing Office has received continuous complaints of anti-social behaviour in the area. In particular, this anti-social behaviour includes cars driving onto a pedestrian area damaging the paving and creating a potential health and safety risk. In addition, gangs of young people are congregating on the benches drinking alcohol and causing a nuisance to surrounding residents. The total cost of this work is £1,600.00. Please note there is Estates Pride funding in this area at the end of 2011. However, due to the high levels of anti-social behaviour it would be prudent to complete this work using quick fix funding.

- 3.3 **108 Cornwall Road** — The Housing Office has received complaints that children are congregating on this elderly tenant's front garden causing anti-social behaviour. In particular, young people often kick footballs at the bungalows windows and onto the roof and young people run along the path under the lounge window. This anti-social behaviour makes the resident feel very vulnerable and he does not feel comfortable confronting the young people regarding their actions. The total cost of the work is £1,000.00.
- 3.4 **Pickering Rise** — The North Local Housing Board, on 2 April 2009, approved the installation of eleven new bollards to stop anti-social behaviour. These new bollards have reduced the anti-social behaviour but we require two additional drop down bollards to aid the landscaping team to gain access effectively. The total cost of this work is £500.00.

3.5 **Update**

Climbing Wall – The 104 sessions have now been booked and accounted for. The Children's and Young People's Department have submitted a further quick fix application which will be presented at June 2011 City Board meeting.

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 refereeing training. The next review meeting has been arranged for 16 June 2011.

89 Radnor Street – An order has been raised and the contractor is starting work on 11 April 2011.

Mundy Close – All works have been completed and the surveyor is going to carry out the handover by 15 April 2011.

Uttoxeter Old Road – The contractor for this work has ceased business so we are going out to tender again for this work.

Rebecca House – The contractor for this work has ceased business so we are going out to tender again for this work.

Berwick Avenue – All works have been completed.

18-22 Albermarle Road – All works have been completed.

Cheviot Street Rec – Pete Matthews has secured funding from other sources and is co-ordinating the work. Pete has advised that he is not going to install the new lighting until August 2011.

Neighbourhood bus - This application was approved at the Local Housing Board meeting on 9 December 2010 and payment has been made.

2-20 Brigmor Walk - All works have been completed .

Knutsford Green (Phase 2) - As the new fencing is to be placed on a highway, Derby Homes is awaiting clarification from the Highways Department to confirm Contractor accreditation. When this issue has been resolved we will go out to tender for the work.

Winstor Road, Birchover Rise, Rymil Drive, Cresta Grove and Canterbury Street - Work has been completed.

Bath and Dukes Street - Work has been completed.

Drying area adjacent to Block 41-46 Arthur Hind Close - Work has been completed.

2-20 Kinross Avenue - Due to further complaints from neighbouring households a site meeting was held on 24 March 2011 with Derby Homes, residents and Derby City Council Waste Management Department. It was agreed that the Housing Office needs to carry out further consultation with residents. When the Housing Office has completed this consultation we will complete the agreed works.

Sporting Futures – 18 months community sports delivery to the young people in Old and New Sinfin. 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 May 2011.

41 Rothesay Close - All works have been completed.

Eley Walk- All works have been completed.

Hillview House - Work has been completed.

Bracknell Drive - Work has been completed.

Masson Walk - Work has not been completed to a satisfactory standard. We are liaising with the contractor to ensure the problem is rectified.

Richmond Road - An order has been raised and we are aiming to complete by 27 May 2011.

83 Parliament Street – An order has been raised and we are aiming to complete by 27 May 2011.

Exeter House car park – An order has been raised and we are aiming to complete by 27 May 2011.

4. CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 **Quarn Gardens** - This application has been approved by the Housing Focus Group. Six consultation letters were sent and all residents replied in favour of the work.
- 4.2 **St Anne's Close** - This application has been approved by the Housing Focus Group. Twelve consultation letters sent and four residents responded all in favour of the work.
- 4.3 **108 Cornwall Road** - This application has been approved by the Housing Focus Group. One consultation letter was sent and the resident responded in favour of the work.

5. FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS PLAN IMPLICATIONS

NORTH:

QUICK FIX BUDGET	TOTAL COMMITTED TO DATE	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF COMMITTED SCHEMES	ESTIMATED BUDGET LEFT TO ALLOCATE	RECOMMENDED SPEND THIS MEETING	UNALLOCATED BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD
£125,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£118,700.00	£6,300.00	£118,700.00

SOUTH:

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£125,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£125,000.00	£0.00	£125,000.00

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

- Legal and Confidentiality
- 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, or Phil Davies, Chief Executive, phil.davies@derbyhomes.org – Phone: 01332 888528

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