

**WARDS AFFECTED: Aspley, Leen Valley  
Bilborough, Beechdale**

**ITEM No**

**WEST  
AREA COMMITTEE**

**10 JANUARY 2007**

**REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR OF ADULT SERVICES HOUSING &  
HEALTH**

**AUTHORISATION TO IMPLEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS**

**1 SUMMARY**

Committee is requested to consider approving a programme of environmental improvement works in West Area, as per the attached appendix.

**2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 Committee approves the programme of environmental improvement works in West Area, as detailed in the attached appendix.
- 2.2 Committee notes that there is a necessity to place the works urgently in order to achieve expenditure during the current financial year.
- 2.3 Committee notes that in future years, a robust system is being introduced which will allow tenants and local residents to determine their priorities before Area Committee is asked to consider the recommendation.
- 2.4 Committee notes that a report is currently being prepared for submission to the Executive Board, to introduce a more inclusive process for determining works priorities. This will better co-ordinate the work of Highways, Neighbourhood Services and Housing.

**3 BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 A budget has been established for financial years 2006/7, 2007/8 and 2008/9 in order to undertake a programme of environmental improvement works across the City that will benefit local tenants and residents. Works will include footpaths, fencing, lighting and other such environmental improvements. Further details regarding the budget will be included in the Executive Board report which will be circulated to the Area Committee
- 3.2 A programme of works, see appendix, has been drawn up by the North Operational Board of Nottingham City Homes but requires approval by Area Committee. It should be noted that this work is in addition to other improvement works being carried out around the West Area.

**4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The costs of the Housing Revenue Account works outlined in this report is estimated to be £372,641.00 and will be met from the funding provision set aside within the Housing Capital Programme for environmental improvements across the City.

**5 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS**

None

**6 RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES**

Not applicable.

**7 STRATEGIC AIMS**

These proposals meet the strategic priority of people feeling safe in their communities

**8 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

None

**9 CRIME & DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS**

Community safety and measures to prevent anti-social behaviour are included in these proposals.

**10 VALUE FOR MONEY**

The worth will be subject to procurement or benchmarking.

**11 List of background papers other than published works or those disclosing confidential or exempt information**

None

**12 Published documents referred to in compiling this report**

None

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**WEST AREA - ASPLEY, BILBOROUGH & LEEN VALLEY ENVIRONMENTAL PROPOSALS**

**2006/2007**

SCHEME ADDRESS	PROPOSAL	ISSUE	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	PRIORITY	ESTIMATED COST	WARD
39-42 Cuxton Close	Remove & resite fence including new post & resurface walkway	Fencing & footpaths at differing levels. Youths gathering using existing fencing as "seating area" drinking and causing general ASB. Area is high ASB Area.	Scheme supported by T & R group and local Police	High	£ 5,088.00	Bilborough
1-45 Cuxton Close	Supply & install 2 single gates, 1 double gate & resite existing gate.	Youths gathering between properties and garage site. Vehicles being dumped and burned out in the open area	Scheme supported by T & R group and local Police	High	£ 3,907.00	Bilborough
Denewood Crescent	Supply & install gates to rear of properties	Youths using rear access as "rat runs", causing ASB and vandalism. The erection of a gating scheme will provide safer environment for residents	Councillor Wood has expressed concerns over the increased problems of ASB caused by youths using area as a thoroughfare	High	£ 6,042.00	Beechdale
Denewood Crescent	Provide 18 properties with Driveway & Hardstanding	Properties are of pre war design with little provision of parking. Roads serving the estate are narrow and congested. Schemes undertaken in previous years have proved very popular, and currently have a "waiting list" of applicants.	Councillor Creswell & Wood have expressed concerns over the lack of parking provision in the area. ALMO board members have also voiced their support	HIGH	£ 55,586.00	Beechdale
Marldon Close	Supply & Fit metal bow topped fencing & gates to communal area	Residents are primarily elderly & disabled. Area has been subjected to sever vandalism and ASB with youths gathering in the open communal area.	Councillor Palmer has expressed concerns over the amount of vandalism & damage to the complex.	HIGH	£ 10,600.00	Bilborough
Beechdale Estate	Provide 10 hardstandings with dropped kerbs	Properties are 2 bedroom bungalows. Residents are either elderly or disabled. The provision of parking will provide greater mobility for residents.	Schemes undertaken in previous years have proved very popular, and currently have a "waiting list" of applicants.	HIGH	£ 31,250.00	Bilborough
Bilborough Estate	Provide 15 hardstandings with dropped kerbs	Lack of off road parking to area. Damage sustained to vehicles primarily by youths & general ASB in area.	Schemes undertaken in previous years have proved very popular, and currently have a "waiting list" of applicants.	Medium	£ 44,883.00	Bilborough

102 –112 Staverton Road	Erect ornamental fencing to communal area.	To prevent youths gathering in communal area. Present fencing in dangerous and poor condition.	Concerns raised by Councillor Palmer over the condition of the existing fencing.	HIGH	£ 7,791.00	Bilborough
St Agnes Close	Erect palisade fencing to boundary of properties	Youths climbing over rear boundary to gain access to playing field at rear.	Requested and supported by the Local Action Group and Police	HIGH	£ 3,360.00	Bilborough
Bramley Green	Resurface walkways throughout complex	Warden Aided Complex. Footpaths & communal walkways in poor condition.	Requested and supported by the Scheme Manager	MED	£ 2,500.00	Bilborough
St Agnes Close	Erect & replace existing 1m high fence with 1.8m palisade fencing and gate to rear elevation	Rear entrance used by local youths as shortcut to/from playing field. Causing disturbance and intimidation to residents	Requested and supported by St Martins Association for Residents and Tenants	MED	£ 1,760.00	Bilborough
178-182 Lindfield Road	Erect secure rear boundary fence 38mm steel bar construction, heras fencing to the side boundaries and secure gate to the front.	ASB and intimidation of residents particularly 178 & 180 by youths gaining access into gardens for access onto Broxtowe country park	Councillor Chapman has raised his concerns and supports the scheme	High	£ 9,500.00	Aspley
Shepton Crescent	Provide hardstanding /double gates & dropped kerb	Area identified as high risk for vehicle crime	Requested and supported by the HPM and TRA	High	£ 96,444.00	Aspley
1-3 Rosslyn Drive	Erect 29m palisade fence to the rear boundary	To prevent youths cutting through to Minver Crescent	Requested and supported by the HPM and TRA	High	£ 3,866.00	Aspley

3,13, 23,31,41,45,14 Wistow	Erect 1m close board fencing – 14m per property	Open plan front gardens – need to define defensible space	Requested and supported by the HPM and TRA	High	£ 3,500.00	Leen Valley
149-155 Eltham Drive	Erect perimeter/ boundary fencing, demolish 2 No garages and remove accumulated rubbish	Access via rear boundary being gained by youths on motor cycles, vandalism to rear boundaries and garages	Requested and supported by the HPM and TRA	High	£ 13,814.00	Aspley
Scattered hardstandings	Provide hardstanding/dropped kerb, double gates as necessary	To target harden victims of repeat vehicle crime	Requested and supported by the HPM and TRA	High	£ 67,570.00	Aspley/Leen Valley
75 Tunstall Crescent	Erectl 4.5 mtrs of metal fence & 1 No gate to grassed area	To prevent unauthorised vehicular access.	The scheme is supported by Cllr. Chapman and the TRA	High	£ 1,120.00	Aspley
25 Southwold Drive	Property being used as a cut through from Southwold Drive to Radford Bridge Road	Property being used as a cut through from Southwold Drive to Radford Bridge Road	Requested and supported by the HPM and TRA	High	£ 3,500.00	Leen Valley
48 Withern Road	Erect 4.5 meters of 1.2m high steel fencing with gate to grassed area.	To improve the security within the area.	The scheme is supported by Councillor Chapman and by the HPM and TRA.	High	£ 560.00	Aspley
					£ 372,641.00	

**Total**      £    372,641.00