

ARBORETUM, DUNKIRK AND LENTON, RADFORD AND PARK AREA COMMITTEE
22 MAY 2013

Title of paper:	Environmental Submissions from Nottingham City Homes (NCH)	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Chief Executive, Nottingham City Homes	Wards affected: Arboretum, Radford and Park, Dunkirk and Lenton
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Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:		
World Class Nottingham		
Work in Nottingham		
Safer Nottingham		X
Neighbourhood Nottingham		X
Family Nottingham		
Healthy Nottingham		
Leading Nottingham		
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
This report informs the Committee of the schemes initially requested by residents of NCH properties, and residents living within the environment of NCH properties, to provide extra security, safety and wellbeing to the residents of Arboretum, Radford and Park and Dunkirk and Lenton Wards.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	That the Committee consider the schemes listed in Appendix 1, and decide which to approve.	

1. BACKGROUND

1.1 £29,312 for the Arboretum Ward, £35,892 for the Dunkirk and Lenton Ward and £70,083 for the Radford and Park Ward was set aside for the housing environmental improvements for 2012/2013. Following approval of the previous Environmental Submission report at Area Committee in February 2013 a number of schemes were approved, leaving carry over figures of £16,762.67 for Arboretum Ward, £3,964.86 for Dunkirk and Lenton Ward and £39,133.40 for Radford and Park Ward. The discrepancy in the carry over figure for Radford and Park Ward is explained by one of the schemes having had its funding subsequently met by Neighbourhood Services rather than Nottingham City Homes.

1.2 The proposed schemes must fit at least one of the following criteria:

- improvement of security for Tenants and Leaseholders (e.g. door entry, lighting, fencing, garage sites);.

- improvement of the environment for Tenants and Leaseholders (e.g. dealing with graffiti reducing anti-social behaviour, parking issues, drying areas resurfacing);.
- improvement of spaces for Tenants and Leaseholders (e.g. installation of community facilities or areas on land under NCH management).

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 Suggestions for schemes may be from a number of sources including tenants and leaseholders, tenants and residents groups, Councillors, Local Area Group meetings, Ward Walks, Area 4 Panel, Housing Patch Managers and Neighbourhood Action Officers.

3. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Any surplus left over in the respective budgets has carried over into this financial year and can be used to fund future schemes.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY)

- 4.1 NCH has provided quotations for the proposed works via an agreed competitive tendering process.
- 4.2 Once a City wide programme is agreed, works will be carried out by approved contractors. It is anticipated that further savings may be found and that more schemes may be completed as a result of these savings.
- 4.3 Schemes approved by the Committee will be funded from the Housing Revenue Fund.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS AND EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 To ensure local development in decision-making the Area Panel and Local Area Groups have been actively involved in the process. Local tenant and resident groups have also been consulted along with Ward Councillors.
- 5.2 The Housing Environment Fund will enable a series of improvements to take place that will improve security, spaces and the environment for local people.
- 5.3 The funds available are limited and are targeted at the most vulnerable tenants in the area within the criteria set out at section 1.2 of this report.

6. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENTS (EIAs)

- 6.1 As this report does not include proposals for new or changing policies, or services an Equality Impact Assessment has not been carried out. However these proposals aim to improve the quality of life and wellbeing for residents.

7. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

7.1 None.

8. PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

8.1 None.

ENVIRONMENTALS PROGRAMME 2012-13- PROPOSED SCHEMES

ARBORETUM WARD

Site	Proposal	Assessment	Proposed Decision	Budget c/o
				£16,762.67

Total (carry forward) £

RADFORD AND PARK WARD

Site	Proposal	Assessment	Proposed Decision	Budget c/o
1-13, 15-31, 33-39, 2-30 Lismore Court, Radford	Moss Removal from bungalow roofs at Lismore Close. Continuation of scheme begun in 2013 to address issue to all affected blocks	Improve appearance of estate for residents and reduce associated health and safety risks	Agree	£39,133.40 £36,210

Site	Proposal	Assessment	Proposed Decision	Budget c/o
			Total (carry forward)	£2,923.40
<u>DUNKIRK AND LENTON WARD</u>				
Site	Proposal	Assessment	Proposed Decision	Budget c/o
Lenton Court	Removal and storage of 10 street benches from various sites around the decommissioned flats in Lenton before eventual relocation to other suitable spots in Lenton and Dunkirk Ward	Scheme will help to improve the appearance of the estates for residents and also recycle valuable street furniture and prevent it being wasted	Agree	£500.00
			Total (carry forward)	£3,564.86