



## Decent Neighbourhoods case study – Greaves Close



**Nottingham City Council Housing Services has been working to achieve a full refurbishment and ground resurfacing to the garages at Greaves Close.**

### **Background:**

To bring new life to the existing garages so that they can be utilized by the residents of Greaves Close and the surrounding area, Nottingham City Council Housing Services has undertaken a full refurbishment of the garages. The improvements also extend to resurfacing the tarmac, improving the drying area and lowering the existing fencing. The location of the works is set back from Greaves Close. The two garage blocks face each other, and the flats encircle them in a 'U' shape.

### **Challenge:**

Before the improvements were made, the garages were in a poor state of repair and were not in an ideal condition for residents to make use of the additional storage space with the peace of mind that their belongings would be safe and secure. The surrounding tarmac was also uneven, and the high fencing gave the area a closed off and unwelcoming feel.



**Before:**



**Solution:**

To overcome the challenges, Nottingham City Council Housing Services has undertaken a full garage refurbishment. The works include, but are not limited to, replacing the roof, installing new soffits, fascias and cladding and renewing the doors to ensure the garages are secure and watertight. The tarmac around the garages has been resurfaced, relined and the surface drainage cleared and improved. The





fencing has been lowered to improve the overall street scene and make the area more appealing.

**After:**



The scheme has received positive feedback and the residents are making use of the new safe and secure garages available to them. The area now has a more appealing and welcoming feel to it.