

NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE BOARD - 1 JULY 2003

REPORT OF THE MANAGER OF HOUSING

TENANTS BIDS

Purpose of report

To consider the bids from Tenants' Groups for 2003/2004

Decision Required

To agree the bids or otherwise.

Policy matters

None.

Financial/staff resources

£90,000 has been allocated for 2003/2004.

Health/Anti-Poverty Issues

None.

Crime and Disorder

The proposals for new doors will enhance security for the elderly tenants.

Human Rights

None.

E.Government Implications

None.

1. INTRODUCTION:

At the Executive Board on 15th October 2002 members approved a number of tenants bids for 2002/2003. Most of the works have been ordered and are underway. The prices for some of the bids were estimates based on similar work in the past. Appendix 1 shows all bids approved for the past three years and their current state.

2. Members will note that quotes for new or enlarged parking areas in 2002/2003 have come in at almost twice the estimated cost. This is a reflection of work no longer being able to be carried out by the Council's own Highway Section which has been transferred to the County.
3. At a meeting of the Tenants Consultation Forum on 21st May 2003, the following recommendations were made to be considered by the Executive Board in the light of the changes to the bids by Tenants Groups since 15th October and increased costs.

4. **BIDS REVIEW:**

- 4.1 Parking Areas

The Biggin, Castle Donington	£18,420
St Marys Avenue, Hugglescote	£ 9,600

It is recommended that these schemes progress.

- 4.2 Replacement Doors

Linford and Verdon Crescent, Coalville

£10,000 be used from the underspend in 2002/2003 and £10,000 from the 2003/2004 bids be approved for new UPVC doors on the estate.

St Matthews Avenue, Worthington

£15,000 from 2003/2004 be allocated for new UPVC doors.

The Tenants Consultation Forum also requested that a programme of new doors be instigated to bungalows on the Sunnyside/Church View Estate in Ibstock, either as a tenants bid from the Tenants Association or from the Planned Maintenance Programme. This programme is consistent with the Council's crime reduction policies.

- 4.3 Other Bids

Other bids being considered by the Tenant Consultation Forum which have not been previously considered by the Board include:-

Norman Court, Kegworth – new community garden – prices being obtained.

Ramscliff Avenue, Donisthorpe – raised brick planters outside the community building – prices being obtained.

Thringstone

Enlarged parking area, being costed.
£10,000 towards developing a community garden

- 5. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT:-**
- 5.1 THE PARKING AREAS AT THE BIGGIN, CASTLE DONINGTON AND ST MARY'S AVENUE, HUGGLESCOTE PROCEED.**
- 5.2 A TOTAL OF £20,000 BE ALLOCATED TO NEW DOORS AT LINFORD AND VERDON CRESCENT, COALVILLE.**
- 5.3 £15,000 BE ALLOCATED TO NEW DOORS AT ST MATTHEWS AVENUE, WORTHINGTON.**

Background Papers – File room 24.

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