

**MKC HOUSING FORUM**

**15 MARCH 2007**

**MK Housing Forum Grant Panel**

**Minutes**

**10<sup>th</sup> January 2007**

**Present** – Tony Mercer, Jim Blore, Simon Aslett, Jeanette Bobey, Charles Allum, Paula Mason, Lyn White (Late)

**Apologies** – Jeanette Marling, Geoff Woolmore, Margaret Burke

<p><b>Budget</b> - The current amount spent or committed was £11,578.49. This left £68,421.51 to be spent by the end of March.</p>	
<p><b>New Projects –</b> New projects/paperwork received this month</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orchard House Garden makeover – It was agreed that a visit should be made and the results discussed prior to the next meeting. There were some concerns that they had asked for gravel however this would not be easy for wheelchairs. All agreed to fund this project subject to the outcome of the visit.</li> </ul>	<p>Agreed pending visit</p>
<p><b>Project Progress –</b> A progress report was given on outstanding applications and requests for grant funding</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Springfield Court – The site of this project was visited by EB but a group visit needs to be made. There is still a quote outstanding which could be obtained if the panel agreed it was a worthwhile project.</li> </ul>	<p>Visit to be made</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Bradwell Play Area - paperwork sent out, awaiting return</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pennyland Play area – EB visited the site and thought this was not a good project with regard to the consultation. However a visit by the group needs to be made, possibly with alternative projects.</li> </ul>	<p>Visit to be made</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Courtneys Lodge Car Parking area - paperwork sent out, awaiting return</li> </ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eaglestone Shed and slabs – Still awaiting paperwork. TM said he would look into obtaining this from the warden.</li> </ul>	TM to provide paperwork
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Little Brickhill play area - paperwork sent out, awaiting return</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bradville play area - paperwork sent out, awaiting return</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Magdalen House Makeover – awaiting paperwork, PM has spoken to the warden who is still preparing the bid.</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lakes Estate Barriers - paperwork sent out, awaiting return</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eaglestone lighting – light still needs to be commissioned</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Almond Close Kitchen – paperwork sent out, awaiting return</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notice boards – ordered, currently awaiting delivery. Has been reflected in the budget.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>The wall at Eaglestone play area had been repaired by Leisure Services.</p> <p>Some money could be spent on purchasing equipment for Residents Associations to use on Fun Days and at other events. This could include a small freezer and a generator. EB to look into this. Also 2 marquees (Square ones).</p> <p>JB asked about a cooker for the kitchen. Other projects which could be considered are;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Making a contribution to the people’s project</li> <li>Lighting at Corfe Crescent, Stacey Bushes and Tinkers Bridge</li> </ul> <p>A number of projects had been suggested by tenants following an article in the Housing Newsletter. These were decided as follows;</p> <p>Dog bins – not covered under the grant Litter bins – could be placed on council land, (especially on estates) but the Parish would have to empty. MKC do not pay for bins on individual estates. Bollards – These could be paid for by Highways or Parks Trust.</p> <p>Conniburrow Community Association had enquired about a grant</p>	

<p>for fencing around a play area. Although PM had visited there was no paperwork and it was thought the Panel should visit to provisionally decide whether the project would be acceptable. There had been a quote of £10,000 but whether this was the full amount was not known.</p>	
<p><b>Date and time of next meeting</b> - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February @ 10.30am at the Tenants Resource Centre</p>	