

Report No.
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London Borough of Bromley

PART ONE - PUBLIC

Decision Maker: PUBLIC PROTECTION AND SAFETY POLICY DEVELOPMENT
AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: UPDATE ON MOTTINGHAM TARGETED ACTION

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Ward: Mottingham & Chislehurst North

1. Reason for report

To provide Members with an update on the progress being made with the Mottingham Project

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

Members are asked to note the Report

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy:
 2. BBB Priority: Children and Young People Excellent Council Quality Environment Safer Bromley:
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: Not Applicable:
 2. Ongoing costs: None
 3. Budget head/performance centre: Targeted Neighbourhood Activity Project
 4. Total current budget for this head: £150k
 5. Source of funding: Earmarked reserve for Member Priority Initiatives.
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): one
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: one FTE
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Non-Statutory - Government Guidance:
 2. Call-in: Not Applicable:
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): N/A
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Ward members have been informed of progress with this project.
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: n/a

3. COMMENTARY

- 3.1 Council on 26th March 2012 approved the setting aside of £2.26m in an earmarked reserve for Member Priority Initiatives. The Public Protection and Safety Portfolio is responsible for the delivery of one of the projects – Targeted Neighbourhood Activity with an allocation of £150k.
- 3.2 On 24th July 2012, the Portfolio Holder agreed to allocate £100k of this sum towards a pilot project in Mottingham.

Mottingham Project Summary

Schools Drawing Competition

- 3.3 A schools drawing competition was held for the three primary schools in Mottingham to introduce the project and try to involve the local community in looking after the area. The children in the schools had to design a logo for use in the Mottingham project and the overall project cost £428.
- 3.4 The competition helped to raise the awareness by the schoolchildren and identify concerns in the area about litter and dumped waste.

Geffreys Estate

- 3.5 Proposed new bin stores will reduce the amount of waste dumped and also household waste being placed in the wrong areas; the plans for these new bin stores have now been received and the estimated cost is expected to be £25,000. Affinity Sutton will fund £20,000 of the costs and LBB will make a contribution of £5,000.
- 3.6 A specific leaflet regarding rubbish disposal has also been prepared by Affinity Sutton and LB Bromley regarding waste disposal and it is suggested that Affinity Sutton use this as part of a Welcome Pack for all new tenants; it can be amended with LBB agreement and subsequently used for all estates.

Beaconsfield & Cranley Parades

- 3.7 Negotiations with the landlords for this Parade has led to the following initiatives being agreed for implementation jointly by LBB and the landlords. LBB will contribute an amount of £3,900 towards the cost of the initiatives.
- Renovation of staircase for residents leading to the bin store at the rear of the Parade.
 - Provision of lighting to allow safer access for residents on the rear staircase.
 - Clearance of shrubs and some trees at rear of property to allow the area to be properly treated for the vermin infestation and to ensure the effective use of new lighting.
 - CCTV to be installed to identify those illegally depositing waste in this area.
 - Erection of signs to deter dog fouling in this area.
 - Replacement of street litter bins in the focal community area to provide larger capacity for litter and more pleasing environment.

Co-Operative Store and recycling area

- 3.8 A new fence has now been erected at the rear of the recycling area at a cost of £629. The recycling area has now been resurfaced. The Co-Op is also considering an option to resurface the car park. The Co-Op has agreed to erect gates to their car park in order to prevent access into the car park area at unsocial hours. A contribution of £500 will be made towards the cost of the gates. Clearance of blocked drains which cause the car park to flood has now been arranged. The Co-Op has agreed to redecorate the building and surrounding area in order to provide a brighter, fresher image to this focal community business.

Court Road/ Mottingham Road

- 3.9 The landlords have taken action to block off the areas between the garages which were previously used by fly-tippers. CCTV is being installed by the landlords to monitor the area and to gather evidence of those people who are illegally depositing waste. The Council officer has instigated better communications, developed between landlords, the shops and LB Bromley. LBB has funded waste containers for a period of 12 months in this position at a cost of £292.

Mottingham Street Survey

- 3.10 A survey of all residential properties in Mottingham has been carried out to identify those properties where the gardens require attention to remove waste. Letters have been sent out to all of these householders, requesting clearance of the waste and this matter will be followed up formally.

Mottingham Community Clean Up Day

- 3.11 A Community Clean Up Day has taken place in Mottingham, where residents and community groups together took part in an organised litter pick and brush up. As part of this event survey forms were issued to residents to gather their views on litter, waste and dog fouling; these will be analysed shortly. This was a successful event where residents were also offered a 'one-off' clearance of bulky waste items and green waste, which was used as a vehicle to explain to residents the waste collection services offered by the council. The estimated cost of the event is expected to be £2,372.

Dog Fouling

- 3.12 As part of a pro-active campaign to reduce the amount of dog fouling in the area, patrols are being arranged and Fixed Penalty Notice warning signs have been erected in all of the identified affected areas. Leaflets have also been produced to warn dog owners of the penalties involved and these will be distributed in the area. The estimated cost of the leaflets is £30.

3.13 Mottingham Recreation Ground

A vehicle barrier is to be erected at Mottingham Recreation Ground to deter those who fly-tip in the Recreation Ground car park. A contribution of £7,500 will be made towards the cost of barrier.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 A summary of the latest financial position of the Member Initiative is shown in the table below: -

Targeted Neighbourhood Activity Member Initiative

	Allocation	Spent / Committed	Unspent balance
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Mottingham Targeted Action Project	100	58	42
Unallocated sum	50	0	50
Total Budget for Member Initiative	150	58	92

Non-Applicable Sections:	Legal, Personnel and Policy Implications
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	n/a