

Participatory Budgeting – Update for Area Committee			
<b>Service Area</b>	HTR Estate Improvement Budget	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Cameron Mitchell Jonathan Read
<b>Stage 1 : Pre Consultation</b>			
<p><b>What are we asking the public for their approval on?</b>  The Estate Improvement Budget totals £40,000 and is split across the 4 housing divisions of South Lanarkshire. Each local housing management team can direct the funding towards projects or improvements highlighted as a priority by customers of Housing and Property Services.</p> <p>Following complaints to officers from tenant and residents in Denholm Green, East Kilbride, regarding the existing bin stores and drying areas, consultation is now underway with them to identify a solution to the issues presented. This includes officers providing several options to tenants and residents including demolishing the existing bin stores and creating a more practical replacement as well as upgrading facilities within the drying areas. Officers are explaining the benefits to each tenant and resident to allow an informed decision to be made.</p> <p><b>How much funding are we asking about?</b>  A total of £10,000 is available within the East Kilbride Estate Improvement Budget.</p> <p><b>Who are we asking?</b>  The budget is ideally suited for a participatory budgeting approach as often funds a number of smaller projects that have been highlighted as a priority by customers of Housing and Property Services.</p> <p>In Denholm Green, both tenants and owner occupiers are being consulted on their preferred solutions due the mixed tenure of the blocks.</p> <p><b>How are we doing this?</b>  A range of consultation and engagement activities will be progressed to determine the allocation of this budget area. This includes organised area walkabouts, individual engagement with tenants or other customers as well as discussions with local tenant and resident groups.</p> <p><b>When are we doing this?</b>  The budget is available for spending during the 2021/2022 financial year.</p> <p><b>When will we report back?</b>  Updates will be provided once funds within the budget have been allocated.</p>			
<b>Stage 2 : Post Consultation</b>			
Outcomes in relation to the allocation of the 2021/2022 Estate Improvement Budget will be provided to the East Kilbride Area Committee once complete.			