Investment Programme

Project Update Report

Period covered				Mar 2019 – Jun 2019	19	
Date of report				24/06/19		
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RAG status					Λ	
G			Green – on s	chedule	A	
	Α		Amber – dec	isions required		
		R	Red – signific	ant risks, decisions required		

Budget 2019/20	Spend to date	Forecast spend 2019/20	Narrative
£11,297,740	£576,874.04	£TBC following survey approvals	Approximately £1.5m is still to be paid to Wates and £1.8m to Mulalley from year 1 properties out of the year 2 budget. Given the delay in appointing the surveying consultant and surveys commencing late April, due to the process in place regarding consultation events and Section 20, works on 'Year2' blocks for both Wates and Mulalley are not due to start until half way through the financial year., this will result in a number of 'year 2' blocks needing to
			be transferred to year 3

Narrative on current progress and status

Following lessons learned from year 1 works, some processes have been altered in order to move forward in to year 2 of the programme.

FFT, a building surveying consultant has now been appointed and surveys are being carried out with the contractors surveyors. The work package approval process for the first batch of year 2 properties for both Wates and Mulalley has commenced and resident consultation events are to be held for these blocks in the coming weeks.

The team have worked through year 1 to identify a series of standard items that are to be delivered across the programme in order to bring our stock to a minimum standard, this has meant that a number of the year 1 blocks had extended programmes due to delivery timescales of some of the works elements. As a result of this all of year 1 properties will be completed at 100% over the next 4-8 weeks. The leasehold team will then be in a position where they will need to invoice leaseholders in order to comply with the Section 20 Notice process.

The standard of works completed to date is considered by SBC to be high, with only minor snagging items raised on a small number of blocks.

Resident satisfaction for blocks not captured yet, as no blocks are complete to date.

Delays associated to UKPN who own the electrical network and are required to install equipment to various blocks. The knock on effect being that the contractors are unable to complete works to the internal parts of



buildings. The type of works that is carried out has been reviewed and UKPN works have been identified only at blocks where essential. These bocks will be designed early in the programme in order to programme works with UKPN ahead of the planned programme for the block.

Wates and Mulalley were issued with a batch of street properties which required any combination of window, door and insulation measures. 246 properties complete to date and works have been completed to a very high standard. Tenant satisfaction currently running at 100% based on 171 returns. Mulalley -

Major deliverables						
Achieved	Not achieved					
Half of year 2 surveys complete, the remaining to be completed in the next period, with year 3 surveys to follow on.	N/A					
Resident consultation events held for all open blocks and further drop in sessions held for blocks with works in progress.						
A number of additional street properties completed by each contractor including EWI, windows and doors.						

Deliverables due next period

Progress works phase.

Complete and take handover of all year 1 block.

Obtain first customer satisfaction returns for flat blocks and review.

Commence year two works.

Key risks								
Risk	Owner	Mitigating Action	Deadline					
UKPN delays	Malcolm Lucy	Design and approvals process	Pre year 2					
	(SBC)	agreed.	blocks					
	Sophie	All year 2 blocks now surveyed to	start on					
	Gardiner (SBC)	identify in advance where UKPN	site					
		works are required so that						
		applications can be made in						
		advance. Surveys to commence						
		on year 3 properties.						
Delays associated to bat roosts. Works	All Partners	Policy required on approach to	September					
ceased in Albert Street following		bat conservation, to be agreed	2019					
discovery of a suspected roost. Works	Chris Philippou	with all partners.						
will be delayed until June/July pending	(SBC)	Bat training for all staff involved						
emergence surveys. Scaffolds will be	Nick Price	in the delivery of the works						
removed and re-erected at a later date.	(Mulalley)	arranged for August (postponed						
Additional costs will be incurred as a	Dave	from May).						
consequence.	Callaghan							
	(Wates)							