

Environmental (EIB) and Neighbourhood Improvement Budgets (NIB).

## Environmental and Neighbourhood Improvement Budgets

- ▶ **These budgets are allocated from the HIP to improve the general look and feel of estates and neighbourhoods**
- ▶ **The EIB total is £137,500 and is for individual projects under £15,000 whilst the NIB total £462, 500 is for works over this figure.**
- ▶ **Both budgets are allocated to schemes and projects suggested by housing officers, police, tenants, caretakers, and councilors and are often a collaborative approach. In addition, some are essential health and safety works.**
- ▶ **There is a form online for tenants to make suggestions and they are publicised at forums and newsletters.**

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- ▶ **The NIB allocation is decided at the start of the financial year as the cost of the works requires a tender process and mobilising contractors.**
- ▶ **The predominant criteria are security or ecological improvements. These budgets demonstrate our commitment to making our estates great places to live.**
- ▶ **The EIB is allocated monthly. Monthly meetings are held between the planned surveyors and the housing manager to keep the budget in focus.**

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**Most of the works fall under the following categories:**

- ▶ **Security measures such as the installation of padlocks & security gates and boundary fencing**
- ▶ **Improvements to bin and recycling, and drying areas**
- ▶ **Carpark resurfacing, marking of lines and the provision of disabled spaces**
- ▶ **Provision of benches, handrails, and garden works/landscaping**
- ▶ **Health and safety issues**



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### EIB For 2022/2023

- ▶ **Number of projects completed** **37**
- ▶ **Agreed waiting consultation** **18**
- ▶ **Number rejected** **5**

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**EIB For 2022/2023**

**Actual spending**

▶ North	<b>£19,249.58</b>
▶ Central	<b>£33,438.03</b>
▶ South	<b>£21,568.48</b>

**Total Cost £74,256.09**

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### **EIB For 2022/2023**

**These improvements have included:**

- ▶ **Removal of a dangerous structure**
- ▶ **Securing a garage site**
- ▶ **Bin relocation and line marking**
- ▶ **Renovation of a courtyard**

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## EIB For 2022/2023



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### NIB For 2022/2023

- ▶ 14 Schemes have been agreed at a total cost of...

**£693,835.08**

- ▶ This represents a combined EIB/NIB underspend of £21,908.83
- ▶ 2.5% within budget

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### **NIB For 2022/2023**

- ▶ **Where have the schemes been agreed?**
- ▶ **1 Scheme in the North, 4 in Central and 9 in the South**
- ▶ **The works have included**

**Communal garden improvements**

**Protective railings and posts**

**Walling**

**Car park resurfacing and line marking.**

**What do these improvements look like?**



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### What improvements can be made to the process?

- ▶ **Can it be more streamlined-**

Can any part of the process become automated

- ▶ **Can it become more user friendly**

How can tenants and Councilors easily feed in to a proposal

- ▶ **Can the bids be tied in with other opportunities**

Realising the biggest improvements by working in conjunction with other teams, and where additional funding can be utilised.

Discussion?