

**Area Committee Well-being Fund –Project Proposal**  
**Inner West Area Committee**

**Appendix 6**

**Project Name:** Review of Conservation Area in Bramley and Stanningley Ward

**Lead Organisation:** City Development (Sustainable Development Unit)

**Project Delivery - How will the project be delivered? (list any partners involved in the project):**

The Conservation Area Review will be done in house by the Sustainable Development Unit with the support of Area Management Team who will provide office accommodation, IT and support in consulting with local communities. Bramley History Group will also be involved.

**Project Summary (include a brief description of the main activities, why the project is needed and links to key priorities):**

Each Area Committee has been allocated an additional £50,000 this year from General Fund Reserves for 2007/08. One of the areas identified by the Executive Board that they would like Area Committees to consider when deciding how to spend this extra money was on carrying out Conservation Area Reviews. This is a Best Value/Comprehensive Performance Assessment indicator for the Council. Executive Board would like to make progress in this area and feel there is an opportunity for the Area Committees to influence how this work goes forward.

A Conservation Area for this purpose is one designated by a local authority under the Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990. The Act defines it as “an area of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance”.

Central government policy is set out in Planning Policy Guidance Note 15 (PPG 15). The government expects local authorities to review “from time to time” which areas it has chosen to be Conservation Areas and to bring forward ideas for their conservation through appraisals/management plans. Designating and reviewing Conservation Areas is a planning function carried out by the Sustainable Development Unit (SDU) in City Development.

In Bramley and Stanningely ward there are two conservation areas close to each other at Bramley Town Street and Bramley Hough Lane. These will be reviewed together as a single project. Interest shown by Bramley History Society will be used to support this review. Because 2 areas are being undertaken siltmultaneously it will be done at a reduced cost.

**Outcomes (summarise the main outcome/output/benefit the project will achieve):**

Leeds now has 64 Conservation Areas but so far only 5 of these have up-to-date appraisals. The requirement for current appraisals has become a Key Performance Indicator under the Best Value/Comprehensive Performance Assessment. Although national targets are yet to be set, a poor performance in this area of work could clearly lead to loss of future government funding support. It may also lead to a number of out dated Conservation Area appraisal documents over time if action is not taken to do further reviews.

**Project Cost. Please indicate**

How much the project will cost? (List all partners and their contributions)

£12,000 revenue funding from West Leeds Inner Well Being Budget

**Identify which geographic areas will benefit:**

Bramley and Stanningley.

**How much Well Being Funding is sought and breakdown between capital and revenue)**

£12,000 (Revenue)

**Who will be in receipt of the financial order. (name of the organisation and contact details)**

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