# Inner West Area Committee Well-being Fund Commissioning of Service

Appendix 1

**Project Name: Provison of Lighting Columns to Houghley Gill** 

Lead Organisation: LCC City Development (street lighting)

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

West Yorkshire Police Community Safety Co-ordinator Parks and Countryside

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

The main outcome of this project is to improve the safety of local people and school children using the access route and also to deter criminal activity affecting residents living close to the Gill. Environmental crime and criminal activity would also be addressed.

Recent consultation has been carried out and out of 100 questionnaires that were distributed, 47 have been returned. The results show that 37 out of those 46 residents feel it is necessary for lighting in Houghley Gill and 9 do not.

The Neighbourhood Warden also conducted a survey speaking to people using the Gill. 7 out of the 8 people spoken to were in favour of the lighting proposals. However, 3 of these 7 had already completed the questionnaire.

Many residents who feel there is a need for lighting have been subject to various crimes and anti-social behaviour. The kinds of incidents highlighted to substantiate the need for lighting the Gill are listed below:

Fencing stolen
Attempted burglary
Garden shed broken into
House burglary
Garage break in
Vehicle theft/damage/burnt out cars
Motorbikes being ridden up and down the Gill
Wheelie bins stolen and burnt out
Fly-tipping

Lighting recently installed near Bramley Park has increased home security, reduced car crime and provided safer walking areas. Therefore local residents feel, lighting would be a beneficial for Houghley Gill.

The initiative is supported by the Police who state that if lighting was installed it would definitely be a positive action and impact on reducing crime and anti-social behaviour and would not be detrimental to the area.

## Identify which geographic areas will benefit:

Houghley Gill is geographically located in Armley Ward but is close to the Bramley and Stanningley ward boundary.

## Project Cost . Please indicate;

## How much will the project cost. (please list all partners and their contributions)

Funding of the project would need to be explored with LCC PFI who have already indicated that they would be prepared to fund 50% of the costs. From earlier discussions and site visit the amount suggested would be roughly in the region of £30,000. The remainder of £15,000 would need to be explored via the wellbeing funding through capital.

Total Cost of the project is: £30,000

Inner West Area Committee - £15,000 is requested from the Well Being Capital Fund.

The account is held in the name of ; LCC FAO Tony Walton Merrion House

Approved

Date

**Not Approved** 

Date

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