

CABINET – 20 JUNE 2016

Public Question from Gary Sherborne

“It is just over a year since Cllr Smith announced the Churchill Gardens Management Plan.

Can I ask Cllr Smith, what progress has been made so far on the plan, what is left remaining of the budget for the plan and what can residents expect to happen next?”

Gary Sherborne

Reply from the Cabinet Member for Planning and Environment, Councillor David Smith

The Churchill Gardens Management Plan was adopted by Full Council on 19th January 2016. It contains 20 actions. 7 of these are anticipated to be addressed within 6-12 months of the adoption of the Management Plan.

A dated photographic audit of the properties of the Conservation Area has been completed to provide a baseline for measuring change within the Conservation Area. This will also be a useful tool for enforcement purposes.

The full budget of £395,000 still remains for improvements to properties in the area through a Council in-house grant system, which is in the process of being set up.

In the coming months residents can expect to see the start of implementation of the grant scheme, which will focus initially on the reinstatement of original front boundary wall and gate designs.

Other areas for enhancement in the coming months will focus on:

- Re-painting the lighting columns and lanterns so they are one colour (currently green columns and black lanterns)
- Signage audit and removal of traffic signs that are not needed

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