PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT PLAN – Management of Garages and Parking

PERSON RESPONSIBLE: David Hooper, Housing Manager

OBJECTIVE	ACTION	ISSUE SOURCE	PERSON TARGET DATE	RESOURCES REQUIRED	EXPECTED OUTCOME	PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT
Improved Management Information	 Summarise findings of surveys of other local authorities into a spread Sheet* 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	Completed	Officer Time	Clearer benchmarking data	Survey results analysed
	 Research private sector garage rents in the Harrow area.* 		Completed	Officer Time	Clearer benchmarking data	Survey results analysed
	 Complete waiting list & garage status spreadsheet* 		Completed	Officer Time	Clear management information on availability of garages and demand	Improved letting times

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Maximise Income from garages	Differential Rents	Garage Strategy Steering Group			More occupied garages	Increased income
	 Identify garages to be subject to a higher increase and agree % increase.* 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	DH 20/10/03	Officer Time		
	 Look at a minimum rent for private tenants* 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	DH 20/11/03	63		

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Maximise Income from garages	 Marketing Strategy Maximise take up from our current waiting list. 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	Completed	Officer Time	Void rate at 15% or less	Void rate of less than 15%
	 Review of the lettings process 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	Completed	ı	Faster turnaround times	
	 Return garages currently used by caretakers to available stock 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	DH 30/8/03	a	More garages available to let	
	 Rationalise use of garages for storage by Housing Services 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	Completed	67	More garages available to let	

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Maximise Income from garages	 Produce standard adverts for use in publications and a separate bulletin for notice boards* 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	completed	ω	Void rate at 15% or less	
	 Make sure minority groups are aware of garage availability* 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	ND Ongoing	63	63	
	 Record how new customers heard about the service and analyse records quarterly 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	ND Immediate & Ongoing	63	£3	Data on effectiveness of different media

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Maximise Income from garages	Utilise available free Media*					
	TRA Notice boards to advertise garages available locally	Garage Strategy Steering Group	ND 30/7/03	63	Increased demand	Notices on TRA boards
	 Notice boards in communal halls. 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	ND 30/7/03	ω	Increased demand	Notices on boards

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Performance Indicators	 Develop local performance indicators on void rate, arrears, re- let time etc Include in monthly report to HFTRA Report quarterly to Members via Information Bulletin 	Management	Completed	Officer Time	Measurable performance indicators	Indicators established and reporting in place

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Maximise Income from garages	Harrow web site	Housing manager	Completed	0	Increased demand	Garages advertised on web site and intranet
	 Intranet 	Housing manager	Completed	63		
Identify Potential development Sites	 Draw up list of priority sites for survey* 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	Completed	Officer Time	List of sites	List Available
	 Visit all priority sites 			Officer Time	Shortlist of sites	Short List Available
	 Discuss shortlist with Devt 			Officer Time		

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Identify sites requiring improvement or having potential for alternative use	Survey all garage sites	Garage Strategy Steering Group	ND 30/6/03	Officer Time	List of improvements to increase demand and/or list of sites that may have potential as storage units	Completed list
Review Licence Agreement	 Benchmark against examples of good practice* 	Garage Strategy Steering Group	Completed	Officer Time	Tight licence agreement that enables effective management of garage areas and usage	Any necessary amendments made and new agreement in use
	 Discuss any proposed changes with GSSG 		BD/ND 30/6/03	Officer Time		
	 Discuss any proposed changes with user group 		30/7/03	Officer Time		

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	 Introduce any revisions to the agreement* 		BD/ND 30/10/03	Officer Time Printing Costs - £1,500 Legal Costs - Contain within budget		
Ensure effective use of available parking space on the estates	 Ensure that any future schemes to mark out bays on car parks include disabled spaces where possible. 	Best Practice Research	DH. 30/10/03	Officer Time	More available parking for residents	Increased customer satisfaction

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	 Roll out parking permit schemes on all estates where it is practicable, there is a demand/ need and following local consultation Complete BV review 		Ongoing	Officer Time Officer Time	Abandoned and nuisance vehicles dealt with more effectively	Increased customer satisfaction Less abandoned vehicles on our estates
	on abandoned/ Nuisance vehicles					

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Examine potential for selling/ leasing all or part of the stock to a private company	 Contact K&C and Westminster to discuss their experience Report findings to Senior Management Team/ Garage Steering Strategy Group 	Members	DH by 30/10/03	Officer Time	Clearer understanding of potential benefits/problems	SMT & GSSG briefed