



Derby Road Fund Association

Dear Neighbours,

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DERBY ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE: PEPPARD ROAD GATES, BRICKWORK AND SIGNS

Following the refreshing of the road markings in 2024, the DRFA Committee has continued to adopt a proactive approach to maintaining the infrastructure on Derby Road. As part of this, we now need to invest in the maintenance of the Peppard Road gates (particularly the stone/brickwork) to ensure their long-term sustainability. Three quotes were requested for the following work:

- 1) Blast clean paint/rust from main gates, side railings, sign surrounds and bollards. Doff (steam) clean all brick and stonework.
- 2) General repairs due to damage/erosion in many areas, including gates, railing, brick, stonework, piers, pier caps wall, bollards and road signs.

Due to the specialist nature of the restoration work, no one company can undertake all the work, so we have received quotes from two specialist companies for the different elements. More details on this are available on the DRFA website (www.derbyroad.co.uk):

1. Blast Away Ltd (this company recently carried out similar works for Queen Anne’s School)

Stage 1 works: blast clean paint, rust from main gates, side railings, sign surrounds and bollards. Supply and apply/spray one coat of black paint.

Price: £2,350 + VAT = £2,820.00

Stage 1a works: Doff clean bricks and stonework inc supply water and power source.

Price: £1,100 + VAT = £1,320.00

2. Bespoke Stonemasonry Services Ltd

Stage 2 works to commence as soon as Stage 1 is completed.

After cleaning, to carry out general repairs to brick, stonework, piers, pier caps and wall.

Price: £1,750 + VAT = £2,100.00

TOTAL FOR ALL WORKS (inc VAT): £6,240.00

The companies have agreed to work together to ensure each stage follows the other as soon as is practical. It is estimated the work will take one week, but it is hoped that disruption on the road will be kept to a minimum during that time.

According to the DRFA Constitution, as these quotes exceed the £600 + VAT limit, we are seeking residents’ and businesses’ approval of the recommended quotes so that the work can go ahead. A minimum of 50 votes need to be cast and a threshold of 70% of votes in favour is required for the work to be approved.

We would be grateful if you could please indicate your agreement in writing by **14 March**, either by email to derbyroadfund@gmail.com or by post to 31 Derby Road using the slip at the bottom of the letter. If you are replying by email, please include the information in the slip in your message.

As per the DRFA Constitution, only full members (i.e. a named freeholder/leaseholder of a property on Derby Road or one of its offshoot roads who has paid their requested 2024/25 DRFA contribution sent to all residents in August 2024) will be eligible to vote. If not enough votes are cast, the work cannot be carried out, so we really need your input to approve the expenditure.

If you have any questions on this, do get in touch. Thanks in advance for your help.

The DRFA Committee

I agree / do not agree to accept the recommended quotes to carry out these works to Peppard Road gates.

Name and address:.....
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