Appendix 3: Estimated Cost of Proposed Soft Landscaping Works in Wishaw Close

The External Refurbishment of Housing Stock Short, Sharp Review Group are proposing that soft landscaping work should be undertaken in the courtyard area located to the front of 94 and 88 Wishaw Close using Section 106 funds. The following information has been provided by Officers to produce an estimate for the financial costs involved in completing this work:

Work required:

The courtyard area to the front of 94 and 88 Wishaw Close currently has a bitumen coating. This covers a surface area of approximately 89m². A main sewer cover is located in this area which will need to be lifted by brickwork.

To complete the soft landscape work in a simple form the old bitumen surface would first need to be removed and disposed of. Top soil would then need to be imported and graded over the area to seed for grass.

Estimate: An estimate has been requested from one of the council's contractor's to provide an approximation of the costs involved in delivering this work. The contractor estimated that the work would cost £2,000 - £2,500 + VAT to complete.

Section 106 funding available:

It is estimated that £16,000 of section 106 funds are available which could legitimately be allocated to funding this project.