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Urban neighbourhoods should be attractive places to live. This can be achieved by improving the quality of design and movement creating compact developments, with a mix of uses, better public transport and a density which supports local services and fosters a strong sense of community and public safety. To achieve this, we should: introduce a national campaign to improve urban design, based on better education and training, area demonstration projects, use of spatial master plans and competitions, and development of Local Architecture Centres to use planning and funding guidance to ensure developments are built at a suitable density target of transport public expenditure on projects that benefit pedestrians, cyclists and public transport users create Home Zones that put the pedestrian first in residential areas. Achieving excellence in leadership, participation and management of Local authorities will lead the urban renaissance. They should be strengthened in powers, resources and democratic legitimacy to undertake this role in partnership with the citizens and communities they represent. We have to manage our urban areas more effectively and respond to the special needs of council estates and other deprived neighbourhoods. To achieve this, we should: change the ethos of our planning system to make it more positive in securing urban change, devolving detailed planning to the level of the neighbourhood where local people can get more involved in the decision-making process strengthen the strategic management and enforcement roles of local authorities over the whole of the urban environment to create neighbourhoods with a mix of tenures and incomes, including opening up council housing to more of the population to introduce Regional Resource Centres for Urban Development to help professional and public to gain the skills needed to lead and manage an urban renaissance. Delivering regeneration Local authorities and their partners should be given more freedom to target long term resources on areas in need of regeneration. Public investment should be used to lever larger amounts of institutional investment into the process of regenerating our towns and cities. To achieve this, we should: to introduce Urban Priority Areas where regeneration can be undertaken by dedicated companies, assisted by streamlined planning decisions, easier land acquisition, tax incentives and additional resources make the need for an urban renaissance a key objective in allocating public expenditure across government establish a Renaissance Fund for local groups to improve their own neighbourhoods.

Thanks and regards.

Progress Update:-*Beautification of Park:- Civil part of has been DPR for Beautification of a Park near B.K.C. College has been vetted by MED (scheduled under FY 2016-17)*