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Dear Derek,

Further to our recent meeting with the Resident's Association I have written you a brief outline of what we are hoping to do on the Beechfarm estate, Swintonn during the dates mentioned below

A large event is planned for the summer called 'Festival Manchester', between the 25<sup>th</sup> –31<sup>st</sup> of August. Approximately 10,000 young people will be coming to Manchester from churches around the nation to assist in social action projects all over the city, culminating in a festival at Heaton Park on the weekend of the 30<sup>th</sup>- 31<sup>st</sup>. Festival Manchester is a working partnership between **The Message** and the **The Luis Palau Association** 

As part of Festival Manchester we will be carrying out a social action project on the Beech Farm estate which Practically will include the tidying up of gardens, litter picking, the renovation of some areas on the estate. The work will be carried out in association with the Beech Farm Residents Association, and volunteers from the local people in the area

The 10,000 young people will be divide into teams of approximately 25, and sent out to various social action projects around the city, working in conjunction with local police and various churches around the city.

As a church we will receive 1 to 2 of these teams depending on the work that is available.

I am a member of the 'Hope Family Church' and a full time youth and schools worker for the Message, and my role is one of the project hosts. We will be liasing with the residents association, making certain the team is used effectively, identifying the work scope and ensuring the correct resources are available.

I have written to you as the local councillor for the Swinton area to ask if you would be willing to assist in procuring or obtaining the resources needed to carry out this work such as garden tools, gloves, paint, skips etc, Or possibly be able to assist us financially as we only have very limited funds available.

Any help that you can offer us in this matter would be very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Stuart Gosling

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