



# A year in the making



## CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

It gives us great pleasure to report on another successful year for the Trust. We look forward with confidence to meeting the goals we have set ourselves through our new 5-year business plan for 2005-2009. Our success is a team effort and, as always, our thanks go to those people who give so much time and energy to the cause of Bournville Village Trust - our Staff, Trustees, Committee members (including tenant and resident representatives) and a wide range of partner organisations with whom we work to achieve our joint aims.

It is impossible to cover all the important issues that affect the Trust in a report as brief as this, but a number of highlights stand out for us during the year.

We are making good progress in our tenant participation strategy. May 2005

sees our second annual Tenants Conference. Judging by the number of tenants who registered an interest in attending, the event is set to eclipse last year's inaugural event. Our aim is to ensure that our tenants have a range of opportunities to help shape our services and influence our key decisions, and we appear to be succeeding in this aim.

We remain on course to achieve the Government's 'Decent Homes Standard' well before the target date of 2010. One of our top priorities remains our commitment to high maintenance standards.

Another top priority for us is the regeneration of the Shenley estate in Birmingham. We are off to a good start, having completed the first 12 homes, plus a brand new Health Centre and improvements to the shopping parade and public areas. We are well underway with a further

42 new homes and planning is about to start on the next phase of work.

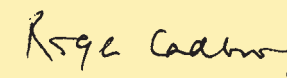
We are also making progress with our new village in Lightmoor, Telford, where the first 160 homes should appear on site during 2005/6. We expect to select a developer later this year for the village centre, which will incorporate 240 new homes together with commercial premises. A new school and community facilities are planned for the future.


2004 was notable too for the merger of two of our trading arms, Bournville Propertycare Services (BPS) and Bournville Village Landscapes (BVL). These now operate under a single management structure. We are also happy to report a successful year for Bournville Architects, Selly Manor Museum and the Agricultural Estates.

2005 will see a change to the Board of Trustees with the retirement of Janette

Denley. Our thanks go to Janette for her contribution to our work over the last 9 years. We look forward to welcoming a new nominee from the Society of Friends - Bronwen Lilley.

As ever, there are a number of challenges that lie ahead. We are confident that we are well equipped to continue the Trust's traditions of good quality services and design to help to ensure that our neighbourhoods continue to flourish.

  
Roger Cadbury, Chairman

  
Peter Roach, Chief Executive

