LOCAL NEWS AND INFORMATION

Ashburnham Community School



Mission Statement

At Ashburnham we aim to provide all children with a happy purposeful learning environment which stimulates creativity and provides challenges for all children.

We embrace and celebrate the diverse religions and cultures of the local community and ensure that everyone is treated equally.

We are committed as a team to work together with parents to nurture an atmosphere of mutual respect and we encourage parents to take an active part in their children's learning.

Through creating a safe and secure environment we strive to raise children's self worth, encouraging them to take responsibility for their actions and to become independent learners.

Our ultimate aim is for the pupils to be happy and confident learners who are excited about the future.

At Ashburnham we are devoted to raising children's expectations and aspirations. We seek to make a real difference to children's lives by providing them with the skills they will require to be successful in future. We aim to provide children with a broad educational experience, fully

embracing academic achievement, physical education, the arts and music.

We celebrate children's success in all areas of the curriculum and every child is valued for their achievements. Recent achievements include:

- The London Environment Award.
- Healthy Schools Status.
- RBK&C Green and Road Safety Calendar winners.
- Leighton House Art Exhibition.

We work hard to provide quality out-ofschool activities and are currently running sixteen after-school clubs, including two joint Extended School Project clubs with the Servite and Park Walk schools and two local Play Centre links with RBK&C Community Education.

We are committed to working with our local community and work hard to establish and maintain positive community links. If you would like to visit our school please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Future newsletters of the World's End Residents Association (WERA) will include a section designed to allow other groups serving the residents of the estate, as well as the wider local community in West Chelsea, to describe themselves and the services they provide. If your group serves the local community and you would like information about your group to be included in a future newsletter please contact WERA using the contact details printed below and we will try our best to accommodate you.

Contacting WERA

WERA is the World's End Residents Association. WERA was set up by the residents of the estate to represent the views and interests of all residents when dealing with the Council, its agents and contractors, and ensure that residents are regularly and properly consulted on what is happening on the estate.

Any legal resident aged 16 or over can become a member of WERA by applying for membership to the Committee of the Association. Membership can be renewed on-line on the WERA website or at a WERA Open or Annual General Meeting (AGM). Members are encouraged to serve on the Committee

by standing for election at the AGM.

If you would like to find out more, or have any issues or concerns you'd like to bring to the attention of WERA, please contact us in writing at:

World's End Residents Association, 16 Blantyre Street, World's End Estate, London SW10 0DS.

By email at: wera@worlds-end.org.uk.

By phone on: **020 7795 3095** (answer machine, please leave a message).

Or the website: www.worlds-end.org.uk

WORLD'S END NEWS



ESTATE NEWS

It has been a year since our last newsletter. During that time the Committee of the World's End Residents Association (WERA) has continued to work with the Council and the TMO to try to improve the quality of life for everyone living on the World's End Estate. Notable successes include the ongoing programme of ARB-funded environmental improvements to the estate's gardens and working with the Council's West Chelsea Initiative to plan and then secure the funding for the refurbishment of the World's End Piazza. The Committee expects both of these to make a noticeable improvement to the quality of life on the estate.

MAJOR WORKS

The current programme of Major Works is coming to a close. The final phase of walkway refurbishment works is now underway and is expected to be complete before the Summer. The communal redecoration works have begun and are expected to be complete by the Autumn. The Committee are monitoring these works closely and can report that the walkway works are proceeding well but that there are some concerns that the communal redecoration works will not deliver all of the improvements that had been promised. Finally, the Committee expects the Council to commence the long-awaited works to refurbish the World's End Piazza before the Summer. These works will radically alter the estate's frontage onto the King's Road for the better.

Following the completion of these works, the only item of planned capital works remaining is the new security system. However, on many other estates the TMO are also carrying out works to renew the kitchens and bathrooms of Council tenanted properties as part of the Government's "Decent Homes" initiative. The Committee has enquired as to whether such works are to be carried out on World's End. The TMO has indicated that due to the relatively "young" age of the estate in comparison with the rest of the Council's housing stock that such estate-wide works are not currently planned for World's End. The TMO is however

currently carrying out surveys of all the properties it manages, including those on World's End, and this is likely to result in works being carried out to individual properties on the estate in the near future. The Committee is monitoring the situation closely.

SECURITY WORKS

As many of you are aware the Council and TMO have had a new security system for the estate on the drawing board for a number of years. The proposal currently being put forward by the TMO includes the zoning, or partitioning, of the estate into smaller, more manageable areas, the installation of a large number of CCTV cameras in many communal areas of the estate and the installation of a "traditional" door-entry system with entry phones in each flat instead of the current concierge-managed system.

The Committee believes that a well designed security system, much like that being proposed, could, if managed properly, greatly enhance the security of the estate. The Committee is therefore intent on trying to ensure that whatever system is eventually implemented by the TMO, that it will work properly and does not contain any obvious or serious design flaws, like those that have plagued the current system since installation. In addition, the Committee is also intent on ensuring that the system will be managed and maintained properly and to this end has been trying to secure guarantees to that effect from the TMO.

We believe the new security system is of great importance. We therefore want to hear the views of all residents. We intend to consult with residents as soon as the plans for the new system have been finalised but if you have opinions, issues or questions with regards the new security system we would very much like to hear from you. Contact details for the Association are on the back page. Please feel free to also bring any other issues or concerns to our attention.

Your Residents Association Committee

Area Housing Manager's **Update**



I would like to bring you all up to date on recent events and on progress-to-date, as there are exciting times ahead for the Worlds End Estate.

By now most of you will have noticed that the works to complete the final phase of walkway resurfacing are well under way. The works are expected to be completed by June and, all being well, will bring to a close our long-running programme to refurbish the walkways.

You may also be aware that communal redecoration works commenced in February. These works are expected to be completed by August and include the refurbishment, restoration and repainting of many communal areas of the estate.

In June we can look forward to the start of the long awaited works to regenerate the World's End Piazza. These works will have a positive and significant effect on the appearance of our estate. We thank all those who have been involved in bringing these works to this stage. A great deal of time and effort has gone into making this project a reality.

As you may know, we are now within the consultation phase for the new, proposed security system for the estate. The system will include the erection of a large number of CCTV cameras in communal areas, and the "zoning" or "partitioning" of the estate into smaller areas in order to try and reduce the scope for criminal and anti-social behaviour.

It is extremely unfortunate that many residents, particularly children, are not being allowed to enjoy the estate's gardens. Thousands of pounds of damage have been caused to the estate's gardens by dogs. The TMO therefore proposes to ban dogs from the estate's gardens and enforcement action will be taken against dog owners who continue to allow their dogs to damage the garden areas. Warning signs, indicating where dogs are not permitted, will be installed soon. The TMO have undertaken a number of initiatives over the last few months to promote sensible dog ownership. We urge all those residents who have dogs, but have not informed the TMO as yet, to complete an application form immediately.

A number of letters and leaflets and consultation meetings are planned over the next few months. Please take the time to read these and respond, and consider attending any drop-in sessions or consultation meetings. We aim for maximum attendance and would very much welcome your input.

As always, thanks to you all for your continued assistance and support, it is by working together with you, that the TMO aims to provide the best for you.

Regards

Gary Riley

Area Housing Manager (Chelsea, West)

A Plea to **Dog Owners** on the Estate



All residents have probably become aware of the problems dogs are causing on the estate.

A small minority of residents are allowing their dogs to run loose on the estate. both in communal areas within the buildings such as the walkways, and in the gardens. This has resulted in thousands of pounds worth of damage to trees and flowerbeds as well as an abundance of dog mess across the estate that is clearly a health hazard.

In addition many residents, both adults and children, are unable to use the garden areas as a result of the dog mess and the number of dogs running loose and out of control.

The gardens are for the enjoyment of all residents, not just dog owners, and it is unacceptable that residents are being deprived of that enjoyment by a tiny minority of irresponsible dog owners.

For the sake of the wider community, and in many cases, the dogs themselves, responsible dog ownership is essential.

The TMO are currently formulating plans to try and address this problem on a wider scale (see above), but in the meantime dog owners are reminded that, whilst on the estate, all dogs should be kept on a leash and that any dog fouling should be cleaned up immediately by the dog owner.

Proper dog toilet facilities are available in Westfield Park, less than five minutes walk from the estate, and dog owners are encouraged to make use of them.

Residents are also reminded that the landlord's permission is required to keep any form of pet, including dogs, in flats on the estate. Dog owners are therefore encouraged to register their dogs with the TMO if they have not already done so.

All residents are advised that any and all incidents of irresponsible dog ownership should be reported to the TMO, either directly to Area Housing Manager, Gary Riley, the Housing Officer, Catherine Rock, or the Concierge Office, as well as to Streetline on 020 7361 3001.

World's End Leaseholder Group



The World's End Leaseholders Group is a self-help group for the leaseholders of the World's End Estate. It is made up of leaseholders who wish to share their knowledge and information to try and ensure that the services provided by the TMO are delivered properly, represent good value for money and help make the estate a better place in which to live. Should the group prove successful, all residents, not only leaseholders, will benefit from improved services and a nicer, welcoming living environment.

The group is currently examining the final accounts for the financial year ended April 2005 that were recently produced by the TMO. The group intends to query any items on the accounts which appear excessive, are much higher in value than usual, are unclear, or appear to refer to works or services that are not being provided, or for which leaseholders are not liable. The group is also awaiting the

publication of the final accounts for all of the recent major works that have been carried out on the estate (particularly the works to the estate's walkways, windows and lifts), most of which are overdue. The TMO have assured the Residents Association that the accounts for all the works that have been completed to date will be produced shortly.

In the meantime, should you wish to contact the group, whether to contribute your own knowledge and experience, or bring any particular issues to the group's attention, you can do so in writing at:

World's End Leaseholders Group, WERA Clubroom, 16 Blantyre Street, World's End Estate, London SW10 0DS

Or by email at:

leaseholders@worlds-end.org.uk.

Estate Gardens



We're sure you've all noticed the splashes of very welcome colour in the estate's garden areas.

The Committee has worked very hard to make all the garden areas more attractive, and the TMO's grounds maintenance team have used our suggestions to good effect.

The gardeners planted many different plants and flowering trees and you may have noticed a lovely aroma from the small magnolia trees dotted around the estate.

The daffodils have been a huge success and very soon rhododendrons. hydrangeas and lavender will be adding their own colour and scent.

Large areas of grass across the estate have been re-seeded and we hope that all residents will take care to ensure that they don't allow dogs to foul these areas. The gardens are for us all to enjoy and this means no nasty surprises underfoot,

Finally, the programme to fit modern, safe play equipment in all of the estate's play areas continues to make progress, with the recent installation of additional play equipment and "rubberised" floor surfaces. These should provide the voungest residents with a safe and enjoyable environment in which to play.

The gardens are now there for us all to use and enjoy – have a happy summer.

Estate Security



CONCIERGE & ESTATE STAFF

The estate's Concierge office is manned by estate staff from 8am until 4pm, Monday to Friday. It is manned by a security guard at all other times. The Concierge office can be contacted on 020 7565 2167.

DOG PATROL

The dog patrol operates on the estate from 9pm every evening. To bring any incidents to the attention of the dog patrol, contact the Concierge office on 020 7565 2167. The dog handler will attend as quickly as possible.

RUBBISH DUMPING

All incidents of rubbish dumping should be reported to both the TMO and Streetline on 020 7361 3001.

POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT **OFFICERS**

Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) patrol the estate and local area from 8am until midnight. To report nonurgent incidents of criminal or anti-social behaviour contact Chelsea Police Station on **020 8741 6212**.

NOISE NUISANCE

All incidents of noise nuisance should be reported to the Council's Environmental Services & Noise Nuisance department on **020 7361 3484**.

IN AN EMERGENCY **ALWAYS DIAL 999.**