



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2nd DECEMBER 2008

AGENDA

1. Introduction
 2. Minutes of Previous AGM
 3. Annual Report
 4. Election of Committee
 5. Membership Subscription
 6. Upcoming Issues / Open Discussion
 7. Xmas Raffle Prize Draw
- Close

COMMITTEE'S REPORT

The elected members of the WERA Committee have continued to try to represent the interests, views and opinions of all the residents of the World's End Estate.

Following the last AGM a number of positive developments have taken place which came about, at least in part, as a result of the Committee's ongoing lobbying of the Council and TMO.

The first was the creation of the TMO's new Housing Management Services team for the South of the Borough, led by our new Area Housing Manager, Amie Dascombe, which will be operating from the Blantyre Centre once the current refurbishment works are complete. The team was created following the completion of the TMO's lengthy review into its Housing and Estate Management Services which took place this time last year. The review was completed earlier this year and as a result a number of significant changes to the manner in which the Blantyre Centre operates, and of the TMO staff based there, are now underway. Our initial response to these changes is upbeat. The Committee is very happy to be working with Amie and her team, who we have found to be very responsive to the issues we have brought to their attention so far. The initial response from both sides appears to have been very positive and we look forward to productive working relationship where we all try and make the estate a better place in which to live.

The second has been the appointment by the Council of an independent investigator to look into any long-standing grievances residents and their Residents Associations may have with the performance of the TMO and/or its contractors. The investigation is currently underway and members of the Committee have already met with the investigator on several occasions and provided evidence in relation to a number of key issues. The Committee believes that the investigation represents an overdue opportunity for the Council to address a number of long-standing issues and problems which, for whatever reason, the TMO has been unable to resolve to the satisfaction of residents. We certainly hope the Council will be taking the investigator's findings and recommendations very seriously and the appropriate changes will result.

During the year the Committee has also carried out its regular duties: it holds regular monthly meetings, it responds to formal consultation on behalf of the estate's residents and represents residents at meetings of a number of TMO sub-committees, the World's End Area Review Board, Friends of World's End Place, the Council's Tenants Consultative Committee, and the Police's West Sector Working Group. Committee members are always mindful of the fact that they are there to represent the interests and views of all the estate's residents and to seek to ensure that those interests and views are heard, noted and taken into consideration.

The Committee welcomes any and all input on any issue that may affect residents, the estate or the surrounding area and will always try to assist, where possible, any individual residents who are experiencing housing problems. The Committee can be contacted in writing at the WERA Clubroom by popping a note through the letterbox or by email at: wera@worlds-end.org.uk. You may also leave a message on the WERA answer machine on (020) 7795 3095.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Association's accounts are summarised below:

Assets at last AGM (as of 18th November 2007)

Bank Balance	£ 429.67
Cash	£ 61.21
Total Assets	£ 490.88

Income (18/11/2007 – 29/11/2008)

Donations	£ 895.00
Total Income	£ 895.00

Expenses (18/11/2007 – 29/11/2008)

Office & Clubroom Expenses	£ 241.14 -
Telephone Line	£ 295.63 -
Gifts & Donations	£ 303.08 -
Total Expenses	£ 839.85 -

Current Assets (as of 29th November 2008)

Bank Balance	£ 454.82
Cash	£ 91.21
Total Assets	£ 546.03

The Association's income during the last year has been composed entirely of donations received from groups using the WERA Clubroom. The Association's principal expenses are the administration and maintenance of the Clubroom and Office, including publicity costs. A grant application for the current year (2007-08) will be submitted to the TMO after the AGM.