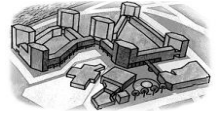


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Notes of the WERA Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 20th of January 2015 at 7pm in the WERA Clubroom, 16 Blantyre Street

1 In Attendance:

WERA – Margaret Grayling (Chair), Patricia Fordyce (Secretary), John Rendall, Caroline Fairchild, Joanna Mcdermott, Ali Ahmed, Kai Choudhry, Jules Montero.

Others – Barry McQueen (observer).

Apologies:

WERA – Eryl Humphrey Jones, Monica Boholst, Marye Kenton.

2 Key points of discussion:

1. The date of the Annual General Meeting was agreed as the 3rd of March 2015 (7.30pm, WERA Clubroom). The formal AGM notices/nomination forms would be printed shortly and available for delivery by the following Tuesday (27th of January). They would need to be delivered by the 3rd of February.
2. It was agreed that the RA would re-submit the HRP bid from the previous year (re-glazing the lift lobbies on the ground and first floors), with whatever modifications were necessary.
3. The Committee noted that funds from Charter Construction for their site in front of Chelsea Reach Tower would be available for use shortly and that potential uses for the funds needed to be proposed. The following works were suggested:
 - a. Improving signage across the estate including (but not limited to) replacing all of the missing estate maps (it was noted that replacing the missing estate maps had previously been discussed at the ARB).
 - b. Painting the tower landing ceilings (it was noted that these works were currently being progressed through the ARB and it was suggested that funds from the ARB funds could be topped up as necessary).
 - c. Replacement of the damaged/noisy goal posts/basketball hoops in the pen.
 - d. Repainting of the tower stairwell stairs from top to bottom (or from the fifth floor down if funds were not sufficient).
 - e. To put some of the fund towards match-funding the HRP bid and potentially extending the re-glazing works to the second and fourth floor lift lobbies.
4. It was noted that there appeared to be ongoing issues with the communal heating in sections of Ashburnham Tower, Whistler Walk and Upper Whistler Walk.
5. It was noted that the TMO's contractors were currently carrying out the annual gas safety inspection of tenanted properties. A query was raised as to whether the TMO should also be inspecting leasehold properties.
6. It was noted that the Council had recently approved the rent increase for 2015/16 (a borough wide average increase of 4.66%). The increase would come into effect in April.
7. It was noted that the weekly rental charge for a car park space had been increased in line with the borough-wide rent increase (i.e. by 4.66%). It was noted that the ever increasing rental charge was having a noticeable impact on occupancy levels within the car park as only an ever decreasing number of residents could afford to use it. Committee members also noted the TMO's lack of progress in implementing the parking review's proposals.

8. Several Committee members expressed disappointment at the lack of progress by Notting Hill Housing and the Council in dealing with the ongoing issues with the bin store in Edith Yard, and in implementing its proposed redesign.

3 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be the AGM on the 3rd of March at 7.30pm in the WERA Clubroom.