

World's End Residents' Association



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Notes of the WERA Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 31st of October at 7pm in the WERA Clubroom, 16 Blantyre Street

1 In Attendance:

WERA – Margaret Grayling (Chair), Monica Boholst, John Rendall, Patti Fordyce, Eryl Humphrey Jones, Maggie Byrne, Jules Montero.

Others – Robert Taylor (resident).

Apologies – Cathrin Vowinckel.

2 Key points of discussion:

MG, EHJ and PF had attended a meeting with Maria Sharples earlier in the day.

The meeting had discussed the proposed upgrade of the estate's door entry system that the TMO had been planning prior to the Grenfell Tower fire. It appeared that the TMO now wished to resume planning these works.

Maria had also explained that FCF, an independent fire risk assessor, had carried out a new fire safety inspection of the estate. The finished report was currently being reviewed by the TMO's health and safety team but was not yet available for WERA to review. The balcony audit was also discussed at some length but the front door audit being carried out by Repairs Direct was not.

The ongoing parking issues on the estate and Blantyre Street had also been discussed.

The events that had taken place at the TMO AGM were discussed. Those who had attended described what happened to those who had not. It was noted that the meeting had been adjourned. There was some concern that the re-adjourned meeting might not take place for some time.

The meetings of the borough-wide association held on the 28th of September and the 12th of October were then discussed. It was noted that a further meeting was scheduled to take place on the 16th of November. MG would be away so JM would be attending in her place. All Committee members were welcome to attend and JM would circulate details of the meeting.

The Committee restated its view that they no longer had confidence in the TMO's management of the estate and that the RA should lobby the Council to replace the TMO at the earliest possible opportunity. The Committee also wished to consult the estate's residents on this issue and it was agreed that a Public Meeting would be held in late November. This was envisaged to be the first of many such meetings.

Several Committee members expressed an interest in pursuing a right-to-manage bid. It was agreed that the RA would only pursue such a bid if it had widespread supports amongst residents.

MG noted the receipt of a cheque from WELR Big Local for £238.33; their share of the office expenses for the period May 2016 to October 2017.

3 Decisions/Actions:

A Public Meeting will take place on the evening of the 28th of November at 7.30pm in the WERA Clubroom. Notices will be put up on the estate noticeboards. A reminder will be delivered to all households the week before the meeting. Invitations will be extended to all interested parties including Ward Councillors and neighbouring RAs and resident groups.