

Housing & Community Safety Scrutiny Sub-Committee

Monday 12 September 2016
7.00 pm

Ground Floor Meeting Room G01A - 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

Membership

Councillor Tom Flynn (Chair)
Councillor Ben Johnson (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Samantha Jury-Dada
Councillor Karl Eastham
Councillor Vijay Luthra
Councillor Damian O'Brien
Councillor Martin Seaton
Cris Claridge
John Nosworthy
Michael Orey

Reserves

Councillor Radha Burgess
Councillor James Coldwell
Councillor Catherine Dale
Councillor Lucas Green
Councillor David Hubber

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Members of the committee are summoned to attend this meeting

Eleanor Kelly

Chief Executive

Date: 2nd September 2016



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	PART A - OPEN BUSINESS	
1.	APOLOGIES	
1.	NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT	
	In special circumstances, an item of business may be added to an agenda within five clear working days of the meeting.	
1.	DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS	
	Members to declare any interests and dispensations in respect of any item of business to be considered at this meeting.	
1.	MINUTES	1 - 3
	To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the open section of the meeting held on 21 st March 2016	
1.	THAMES WATER REFUND OF OVERPAYMENTS	
	Paper to follow	
1.	WATER PRESSURE	
	Discussion about recent water pressure issues in Rotherhithe – potential scope for scrutiny	
	DISCUSSION OF ANY OTHER OPEN ITEMS AS NOTIFIED AT THE	

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START OF THE MEETING.

PART B - CLOSED BUSINESS

**DISCUSSION OF ANY CLOSED ITEMS AS NOTIFIED AT THE START
OF THE MEETING AND ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR AS URGENT.**



Housing & Community Safety Scrutiny Sub-Committee

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the Housing & Community Safety Scrutiny Sub-Committee held on Monday 21 March 2016 at 7.00 pm at Ground Floor Meeting Room G02A - 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

PRESENT: Councillor Tom Flynn (Chair)
Councillor Ben Johnson
Councillor Karl Eastham
Councillor Eleanor Kerlake
Councillor Vijay Luthra
Councillor Martin Seaton

**OTHER MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

OFFICER Fitzroy Williams – Scrutiny officer
SUPPORT:

1. APOLOGIES

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Damian O'Brien.

2. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

2.1 There were no urgent items.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

3.1 There were no disclosures of interests or dispensations.

4. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 22 February 2016 be agreed as a correct record.

VIDEO OF OPENING THE MEETING

<https://bambuser.com/v/6170429>

5. EMPTY HOMES

The sub-committee welcomed Mr Edward Mayers Development Director from Lendlease, who gave a short introduction and then answered members questions relating to empty homes in new developments.

VIDEO OF EMPTY HOMES

<https://bambuser.com/v/6170432>

6. REVIEW OF SUB-COMMITTEE WORK

The chair summarised the work that the sub-committee had looked into during the 2015-16 period and highlighted the following areas:-

- Call centre opening times
- TMO evidence regarding housing repairs
- Housing Bill
- Interviewed the Borough Commanders of Fire & Police
- Interviewed the cabinet members
- Update – Women’s safety charter
- Empty homes
- Local delivery service

The sub-committee then compiled a wish list of areas they would like to explore for the next working year, which was as follows:-

- Anti-social behaviour
- Water charges
- Deaths in council homes
- Local housing repairs provision
- Community safety
- Ward panels/ Police
- Repairs service – common complaints
- Homelessness & temporary housing
- Mystery shopper visits
- Joint meeting with neighbouring boroughs
- Leaseholders & charges
- Tenants & residents association – support
- Mixed developments - visits

VIDEO OF REVIEW OF SUB-COMMITTEE WORK

<https://bambuser.com/v/6170492>

The meeting ended at 8.20 pm

CHAIR:

DATED:

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HOUSING & COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE**MUNICIPAL YEAR 2016-17****AGENDA DISTRIBUTION LIST (OPEN)****NOTE:** Original held by Scrutiny Team; all amendments/queries to Fitzroy Williams Tel: 020 7525 7102

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Councillor Ben Johnson (Vice-Chair)	1	Deborah Collins, Strategic Director of Environment & Leisure	1
Councillor Samantha Jury-Dada	1	Shelley Burke, Head of Overview & Scrutiny	1
Councillor Vijay Luthra	1	Niko Baar, Political Assistant	1
Councillor Damian O'Brien	1	Justina Sawyer, Executive Assistant	1
Councillor Martin Seaton	1	Barbara Asaam, Executive Assistant	1
Co-Opted Members		Debbi Gooch – Head of Litigation	1
Michael Orey (Homeowners' Council)		Fitzroy Williams, Scrutiny Team SPARES	10
John Nosworthy (Homeowners' Council Reserve)	1	External	
Cris Claridge (Tenants' Council)	1	Caroline Vicent	1
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Sub-Committee Members		Dated: May 2016	
Councillor Karl Eastham			
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