

**RECOMMENDATIONS – NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUMS**

**APPENDIX C**

<b>Forum</b>	<b>Area &amp; Boundaries</b>	<b>No of Forums</b>	<b>Location of Main Office</b>	<b>Other</b>
Denmark Hill 25/03/03 (HRM)	8 was felt to be reasonable with no alternative proposals to the suggested boundaries	Dulwich Area – as existing with one Forum. Camberwell Area – probably 2 but to consider a third by considering the configuration of housing stock in relation to the geographical area. One should be at the Denmark Hill end and the other at West Camberwell area.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Forum were very concerned at the risk of losing the existing Denmark Hill neighbourhood office. Ideally this would be the main office but recognised other demands and would at least ask that it be a sub-office providing full housing management service.</li> <li>• It was felt that the main office would really need to be in and around the Camberwell Green area. (It was explained about the problems with the West Camberwell Neighbourhood office and the current development plans impacting on Harris Street Neighbourhood.</li> </ul>	
Harris Street 31/03/03				This Forum will not take the Best Value review update report until all T&RAs have received the report and had at

				<p>least a three week time span for full tenant consultation. This Forum mandates Nancy Horwood to attend any relevant meetings concerning Best Value issues and to continue our present viewpoint.</p>
<p>Pelican 08/04/03</p>				<p>The Forum received the report but deferred the presentation until its AGM on 13<sup>th</sup> May, in order to allow consultation within our T&amp;RAs.</p>
<p>Pelican 06/05/03</p>				<p>The Forum is not accepting the guest speaker or his report as Pelican Forum is strongly opposed to Option 4 and all its implications. We feel that this option has been chosen without tenants and residents agreement.</p>
<p>West Camberwell 9/04/03</p>				<p>The Forum delegates voted to reject the presentation on Best Value Review of Housing Management implementation at this present time. The Forum stated that the presentation may possibly be re-taken in the future.</p>

<p>Abbeyfield 15/04/03</p>	<p>Would prefer to remain as 16 neighbourhoods, but if they have to chose they would opt for 8 neighbourhoods as this is the option that includes North Livesey properties.</p>	<p>Would prefer one Forum</p>	<p>Would prefer to retain Abbeyfield as neighbourhood office although concerns raised about size of office, meeting facilities etc., NB Rennie T&amp;RA pointed out that they would prefer to remain in Abbeyfield(Rotherhithe) area – currently in Bermondsey area.</p>	
<p>Parkside 17/04/03</p>				<p>The Forum received the report on the Best Value Review of Housing Management Implementation and reiterate the recommendation passed at the last meeting of the Forum on 6<sup>th</sup> March 03 to support Option 1 of the Housing Options to keep all the 16 neighbourhood offices or Option 2 the merging of smaller neighbourhood housing offices into larger ones if the tenants of the areas agree to the merger taking place. Local elected members be urged to support tenants and stand up for them.</p>

				Delegates were not persuaded to accept the decision of the Executive that the Housing Management service be organised on a 6 – 8 area basis.
West Walworth 15/05/03	The Forum supports the option of having 8 administrative areas for housing management	That it wants more than 1 consultative Forum within the new Walworth Area and supports having the 3 existing remain.	That in locating a new office for the service in the Walworth Area, the following conditions should be met – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It must be in walking distance for residents</li> <li>• It should be near to transport links and have good access arrangements</li> <li>• That it would be logical to have an office near to Walworth Road/East Street shopping facilities.</li> <li>• That there should be parking available near to any new office, particularly for those disabilities.</li> </ul>	
Lynton Road 24/04/03	Lynton Rd Forum supports the idea of having 8 administrative areas in line with Community Councils.	The Forum supports creating 2 Neighbourhood Forums in the Bermondsey Housing Administrative area, a North Bermondsey and a South Bermondsey Housing Forum.	The Forum supports the idea of one main housing office in Lynton Road and a sub-office at Cherry Gardens.	

<p>Alfred Salter 22/04/03</p>				<p>Alfred Salter Forum support the Tenant Council in that there needs to be further consultation about the number of new area offices. We cannot decide on the number of Forums until we agree the number of areas. All new offices should be main offices as we believe that sub offices will not work. A new civic centre will be built on Spa Road. The Bermondsey Spa Regeneration Group agreed that the housing office will be in the new building and that housing will not be paying for the new offices. It is also in the centre of the new Bermondsey area and is much more accessible than Lynton Road. Any new office for the area must be within the Spa Road area.</p>
<p>Acorn 28/04/03</p>	<p>Acorn Forum supports the option of 8 housing administration areas, noting that Peckham will manage 5485 dwellings, as this is in line with the Community Council area and proposed</p>		<p>That Acorn Neighbourhood Housing Office should remain as the main housing office for the proposed Peckham housing area. During the discussion on offices a number of</p>	

	<p>changes in Police and Social Services management areas. In addition there were comments by the Chair opposing the loss of any of the 16 Neighbourhood Housing Offices and the resulting loss of accessibility to neighbourhood based services.</p>		<p>comments were made about possible criteria for deciding location, these included volume of personal callers and trends in volumes of callers, the proximity of offices to local transport links particularly bus routes, and access for elderly and disabled (for eg Acorn was favoured over Rosemary Gardens because it is nearer despite the fact that it has poor access for disabled – the view was that a wheelchair lift could be put in) Concerns were expressed by residents from the eastern part of the Neighbourhood (Brimmington and Pomeroy) about being part of Nunhead and having to use Parkside because Acorn is nearer and has bus routes.</p>	
<p>Cherry Gardens 30/04/03</p>	<p>Cherry Gardens Forum would retain 16 Neighbourhood housing offices in the borough. 5 representatives are in favour of keeping 16 NHOs and 4 are against</p>	<p>Under the current proposal we would want to have 2 Neighbourhood forums in Bermondsey and one in Rotherhithe. Under our proposal we would want 2</p>	<p>We recommend that the Council build new administration in the Spa Road development and Canada Water as part of the development. These will</p>	

	keeping 16. We are all in favour of retaining 8 NHOs of the Options on the table but under duress.	Forums in Rotherhithe and two in Bermondsey.  We would like the Housing Department to look at keeping the following Tenant and Resident Associations: Four Squares, Southwark Park, St Crispins, and Keetons, as part of the Rotherhithe administrative area.	be the new administrative offices with sub-offices in Cherry Gardens and Abbeyfield Neighbourhoods. Until these offices are built the present Neighbourhood Housing Offices should remain open and functioning.	
Taplow 06/05/03	Taplow Forum reject outright the reduction of Neighbourhood offices to 6,7. Or 8 and would like to keep the 16neighbourhood offices.	Retain 3 Neighbourhood Forums in Walworth area as they are	Retain 3 neighbourhood offices in Walworth area and Taplow Neighbourhood as the main office, being the largest neighbourhood.	
Crown House 08/05/03				Crown Hse Neighbourhood Forum believe these options have not been consulted on thoroughly and all the implications are not yet clear. Crow Hse Forum reserves judgement until the report from Tenants Council has been received and commented on from the Best Value Inspectorate. Until then this item is deferred.
Rodney Road 08/05/03	Rodney Rd Forum recommended that location of future administrative area	Retain 3 Neighbourhood Forums in the Walworth area	Retain 3 Neighbourhood housing offices for Walworth area	

	remains the same, with minimum of 8 neighbourhood areas			
Leathermarket 12/05/03				Leathermarket Gardens Neighbourhood Forum received the presentation on the Best Value Review of Housing Management – Implementation and proposes that the Forum retain its existing structure with Leathermarket Gardens and Tabard Gardens straddling two administrative Areas.
Rosemary Gardens 13/05/03	Rosemary Gardens Forum recommend Option 4 , 8 areas is adopted.	Rosemary Gardens Forum recommend one Forum for the entire Neighbourhood.	The Neighbourhood Office should be located at Rosemary Gardens as proportionately most of the tenants and residents live in the Rosemary Gardens area. This is also because this office is more accessible and there is a possibility Acorn Neighbourhood will be subject to regeneration in the future.	
Library Street				The Chair of the Forum was not willing to take report at AGM. Special meeting to be arranged and date to be advised.



