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Subject: Scrutiny 22nd October 2003

Hi Peter,

I am sorry for the late request, but I only discovered last night, that this meeting was taking place tomorrow, I am hoping the Chair will accept a delegation from SGTO consisting of the Vice Chair Kim Jones, Yvonne Deller Treasurer and Lionel Wright Secretary.

Our concerns are based around the 2nd Resolution passed by the Executive on the 7th October, namely the phrase "until substantial progress can be made on agreeing the Best Value Reviews ".

We feel that the wording is vague, ie what does substantial mean??. also we do not feel that this decision is in line with the previous decisions made on this item by the Tenant Fund Management Committee or by Tenants Council.

The Executive have previously agreed the TFMC BUDGET FOR 2003/4, where a sum of money has clearly been set aside to allow funding for Borough wide applications from the Tenants Levy, these groups include SGTO, so is the Executive reversing this decision or now putting conditions on this decision also?

Tenants at the AGM of SGTO, clearly made the decision that they wished SGTO TO CONTINUE BEING THE INDEPENDANT VOICE OF TENANTS WITHIN THE BOROUGH, AND REQUESTED THAT SGTO APPLIED FOR IMMEDIATE INTERIM FUNDING TO ALLOW TIME TO PUT IN A BUSINESS PLAN FOR FULL FUNDING IN DECEMBER 2003. This meeting was a properly constituted meeting with a Senior Officer present along with a Councillor.

Listed under the guidelines for call in are key issues for consideration, we question if this decision is

in accordance with the principles of decision making as set out in the Constitution under the following

- c - respect for Human Rights-
- d - Presumption in favour of openness
- e - Clarity of aims and desired outcome
- g - Decision making generally

I hope this assists you, thankyou for your help in this matter.

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