

Item No.	Classification: Open	Date: 15 February 2010	Meeting Name: Executive
Report title:		Addendum report: Abbeyfield Estate – Options for investment	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		Rotherhithe	
From:		Strategic Director of Regeneration and Neighbourhoods	

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Executive agrees the recommendations set out below in place of Recommendations 1 to 6 set out in the February 8 report to Executive.
2. That Executive requests officers:
 - a) To provide an information pack on all considered options to Maydew residents, together with individual consultation of residents on their housing preferences
 - b) To carry out further feasibility work and report back on investment and regeneration options for the wider Abbeyfield Estate
 - c) To report back to Executive in June 2010 on the outcome of 2a and 2b above.
 - d) To investigate further the possibility of early moves for those who have already registered for housing transfer.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3. Officers note that concerns have been expressed over the extent of consultation on the proposal to re-house residents from Maydew House. In particular, Supplemental Appendix C indicates a wide variety of views expressed over the proposal. There were also concerns raised over the extent and adequacy of consultation carried out to date; these processes are set out in paragraphs 53 to 60 of the main report to Executive.
4. In the light of the mixed responses, it would be appropriate to carry out a further exercise, both to give full information on the different options available to residents and to explore their views in more detail.
5. This exercise should include the preparation of information packs for all tenants and leaseholders in Maydew, setting out all the issues and options available. This information would include the implications of the different options, including the works to be carried out if the council were to retain the block as well as the potential housing options available should the council decide to progress the disposal of the block.
6. This would be followed by individual discussions with all tenants and leaseholders to explain the options available, including setting out the type of alternative properties that may be available should residents need to be decanted from Maydew. This could arise either from the decent homes works

to their property or from the intended sale of the block. 24 tenants are already registered for a housing transfer from the block.

7. The results of the above exercise will be analysed and considered against the options outlined in the main report. This information will be presented to Executive for decision in June, together with an update on the results of the further feasibility work for the wider Abbeyfield Estate, as described in the main report.

APPENDICES

No.	Title
N/A	

AUDIT TRAIL

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