TANNERS HILL TRA

Annual General Meeting

7pm - 9pm, Monday 9th July 2018

ATTENDANCE

Current Committee Members

Barry Still (BS) - Chair/Heston House Block Rep/Brockley Assembly Co-ordinating Committee Rep

Colin Connell (CC) - Treasurer/Florence Terrace Rep/Resident Engagement Panel Rep (Tenant)

Naomi Groves (NG) – Vice Chair/Resident Engagement Panel Rep (Leaseholder)

Gillian Lewis (GL) - Secretary/Deloraine House Block Rep

Nuala Walsh (NW) - Block Rep Heston House

Tedd Trott (TT) - Block Rep Omega St

Lewisham Homes

Prince – Welfare Benefit Officer

Elaine Wright - Tenancy Officer

Lewisham Tenants Fund

Gloria Biggs (GB)

Tenants and Residents

Stephen Thompson, Robert Ridyard, Tom Deffee, Jacob, Ella, Gordon Walker – Deloraine House

Vicky Yeardley, Frances Connell, Sue Slade, Fred – Florence Terrace Jake – Heston House

Partners & Others

Cllr's Sophie McGeevor, Stephen Penfold and Jimi Adefirenye

Apologies

Iris Davies, (name not known)9 Heston, Tolu (Pitman House), Katherine, Joe and Ian (Deloraine House)

Agenda Item		Action
1. welcome, intro - ductions, apologies	Opened the meeting, welcomed all and announced apologies Cllr Sophie provided an update (hard copies) on Doors/fire safety specs, Damp, T Hill resurfacing and Brockley Assembly funding. Sopie left at 7.30 as she had another commitment. Newly elected Cllr Penfold had to leave at 8.00pm and Cllr Jimi arrived at 8.00pm as he was also attending the Governors meeting at the School.	
2. AGM 2017 – agreed minutesa	Minutes agreed	
Matters arising		
3. Officers Reports 2017/8 ACTION POINT	Chair's Report: Aug '17 – Bike racks installed Sept '17 – Door Entry Systems, Lewisham Homes sent a 'Notice of Intention for Installation', some leaseholders responded giving reasons why they didn't want them in their blocks. Door Entry Systems have been successful in some blocks on the estate (Omega, Heald), unsuccessful in Pitman. Lewisham Homes responded saying there would be a consultation of residents ahead of any decision being made" and that "a decision will be made on a block by block basis" Nov '17 – Notice Boards Gavin Jones (Lew Homes Head of Comms) attended TRA meeting, we requested that NB's removed during Decent Homes (DH) works, be returned and that a new larger 'Community Notice Board' be installed on Pitman Green Nov '17 – Controlled Parking Zone was launched on the estate highways In TRA meetings residents reported that they are not patrolled regularly or enforced. Feb '18 – Estate Parking scheme was launched by Lewisham Homes on Heston, Deloraine & Pitman forecourts. Visitor permits were not offered. Feb '18 – Electrical Rising Mains estimate sent to Deloraine residents, no significant difference in cost comparison with Heston even though fewer lights were installed, and no lights in garden May '18 – Councillors John Coughlin (Green) was replaced by Stephen Penfold (Labour) June '18 – removal of Security Gates from Heston and Deloraine completed. Ongoing: Caretaking – new C/T Keith may resolve the pressure that has been on Mohammed who has been working alone for most of the year (due to long term absence of colleague) Anti Social Behaviour (ASB) - LH Officers and Safer Neighbourhood Team Officers have attended meetings this year, clarifying the various kinds of ASB (eg throwing rubbish into someone's garden, noise, domestic conflicts, aggressive behaviours) and who to contact Also, Naomi (Vice Chair TRA) created an A4 poster 'Fix My Street' which is in Notice boards showing how & where to report various problems eg fly tipping, potholes, dog poop, vandalism Decent Homes Major Works – Leasehol	
	Secretary's Report: Meetings – committee agreed to reduce the no of meetings from 6 to 4 per year plus an AGM: 27/11/17 (agreed but not scheduled	

by school. C/T stayed so meeting went ahead), 26/3/18 (postponed from 7/3/18), 21/5/18 (cancelled), 9/7/18 (AGM) **Committee meetings –** 16/8/17, 4/9/17, 15/11/17, 5/2/18, 11/6/18, also Feb '18 committee met with Lewisham Tenants Fund for a TRA 'Health check'

Inspections – 9/17 with Caretakers Area Supervisor Andre, 30/1/18 re repairs and C/takin g, 31/1 with Simon Yorke re Rising Mains, 12/3 with C/T Supervisor Andrea

Treasurer's Report - there's been a reduction in funds as Leaseholders (L/H) are not paying the £6.76 yearly cost of running a TRA, (tenants dues, 13p weekly are collected with rent)

Scrutiny Panel – Naomi reported that she attended the Panel, topics chosen by panel inc:Decent Homes, Online Engagement, ASB. They interview Lewisham Homes staff and create an action plan for them to follow on these issues

Resident Engagement Panel – Naomi (Vice Chair) and Colin (Treasurer) continue to represent Tanners Hill TRA at the Borough wide Panel meetings of TRA's

Brockley Assembly – Barry (Chair) is on the co-ordinating group of the Brockley Assembly and attends their meetings

Residents raised the following issues in response to Reports: **Bike Racks -** located at side of Pitman House - people are urinating on them, Bins are left next to them. Also generally, design means that leaves and rubbish collect inside racks. Caretakers are responsible for cleaning

News Letter - TRA need to make printed copies available of the Survey for people who aren't online

Green Services – agreed work is yet to be done

ASB – Elaine confirmed that a new Anti-Social Behaviour Officer had started today, to replace Frank Olaniran

Signage – still not installed eg Heston/Florence Terrace **TRA Funds** – Prince suggested that it may be more admin work than we would expect to add to L/H's Service Charge, which would mean a further admin charge for L/H's. Residents pointed out that it was raised at the Res Engagement Panel meeting as almo's/councils are taking it directly from L/H's in other Boroughs, L Homes are looking into it. A first step would be to investigate how they have made it work without incurring huge admin costs. Private Landlords are supposed to pay ie not the tenant. **Chair** – we'll remind L/H's at the start of every meeting,

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TRA/Committee Meetings – Walkabouts/estate inspections could be advertised in Notice boards so residents could attend

4. Election of new officers

BS the roles and responsibilities of the offices of the committee are on TRA website. The committee stood down and Lew Homes Tenancy Officer Elaine Wright conducted the election of officers.

Chair: Barry Still
Vice Chair: Naomi Groves
Treasurer: Colin Connell
Secretary: Gillian Lewis

Area Panel Reps: Naomi Groves/Nuala Walsh Block Reps: Gillian Lewis – Deloraine House

Barry Still/Nuala Walsh - Heston House

Colin Connell – Florence Terrace

There were no residents present from Pitman House which is therefore now, unrepresented. Heald St and Tanners Hill need to be verified with Iris Davies and Shannon 5. Universal Credit Prince (Lew Homes Welfare Benefit Officer gave a brief talk and answered residents questions. He also provided 2 leaflets for residents to take away and give to neighbours: APA - Universal Credit is paid to the tenant ie rent is no longer paid directly to the landlord but Tenants can request an 'Alternative Payment Arrangement' (APA) if they need to. People who opt for APA will also receive education on managing money as it's a responsibility Time Frame - the first payment will be 6 weeks after you claim. From last Monday, (2 nd July 2018) all new claims will start on UC. Pensioners and people on existing benefits won't have to transfer to UC, Pensioners are therefore not affected. Private Tenants - have no protection unless it's in their contract Bank Accounts - it's possible to open a basic account with a bank or credit union.
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<u>Drop-Ins</u> – there are surgeries (9am-12, or by apt only Wed 10-
12) where people can get advice. Also every library in the
borough has internet access.
RTI – Real Time Information is where UC computers are linked to
ACTION HMRC. BS – We'll link to TRA website
6. AOB Stephen T: now the security gates in Deloraine House have gone
I have people trying my door handle more than once, in the night.
He was advised to keep a diary.
Meeting closed 8.30pm