

# Tustin Estate newsletter September 2020

Welcome to the latest edition of the Tustin Estate monthly newsletter from Southwark Council.

Work continues to engage with residents of the blocks and houses, the school and the businesses as part of the consultation on various options for the future of the estate.

The five options have now been presented to you and we are currently asking that residents to rank the options from their favourite to their least favourite.



#### Design Webinar The Five Options with Common Grounds

Wednesday 16 September 2020

Zoom 6pm to 7.30pm

Meeting ID – 833 4799 2302 Passcode – 772527

The design team, Common Grounds, will talk you through the design options and will answer your questions about the design.

### All Residents Welcome

We will record the webinar so if you can't make it, please get in touch and we will share the recording with you.

Thank you for continuing to engage with the work we are doing to look at the future of the low-rise homes.

#### What is going on now? Ranking the Options

Between Thursday 10September and Thursday 1 October we are asking residents, who are eligible to vote, to rank the five options from their favourite option to their least favourite option. To help you make a decision, we have sent you:

- a letter saying what you need to do
- a Ranking the Options paper
- a pre-paid envelope
- an Options Information Pack.

If you haven't received this information or have lost it, please contact Open Communities know on freephone **0800 073 1051**.

### What do I need to do?

Take a look at the Options Information Pack and then complete the 'Ranking the Options' paper.

When completing the survey do not tick or place a cross in any of the boxes, just simply rate the options using the following:

- 1 (favourite option)
- 2 (second favourite option)
- 3 (third favourite option)
- 4 (fourth favourite option)
- 5 (fifth favourite option)

#### How do I return the paper?

Please return the ranking the options paper before Thursday 1 October. There are a number of ways to return the paper. These are:

- 1. Return it in the pre-paid envelope
- Place it in the secure ballot box at Nisa, 813 Old Kent Road (below Bowness House)
- If you can not get out, please let Open Communities know on freephone 0800 073 1051, and they can collect the envelope from you to post into the box.
- 4. Go to **www.opencommunities.org** and follow the 'Tustin Estate' link.

To vote online you will need your unique voting code, which can be found at the bottom right corner of your ballot paper.

# What do I do if I don't know how to vote?

You need to decide which option works best for you and your household.

If you want to talk through the options, Neal Purvis from Open Communities is the Independent Tenant and Homeowner Advisor. You can contact Neal on Freephone **0800 073 1051** or at **neal.purvis1@btinternet.com** 

# When will we hear the results on the options?

The results will be shared via a newsletter the w/c Monday 5 October.

### What happens when we have the results?

The council and the design team want to do a little more work with you, the residents, on the design and our commitments before asking to vote 'yes' or 'no' on the final option.

This vote, the Residents' Ballot will take place in February to March 2021.

A 'no' vote will mean that Option 1, to maintain and repair the homes and the estate, will be taken forward.

#### Languages – do you need an interpreter or translator?

We will arrange for an interpreter to talk with you and translate documents where necessary. Please contact the project team to ask for this service.

### **The Options Video**

We have created short video explaining the options and explaining how to vote. To watch the video please go to: http://bit.do/tustin

#### **The Tustin Website**

Common Grounds are developing a website for the people of Tustin Estate.

The website will:

- collect local histories from residents
- supports skills and training
- share information

To get involved in creating the website please contact **commongrounds@dsdha.co.uk** 

### The Tustin Webpage

The newsletters, minutes of the Resident Project Group, the presentations at the drop-in events and the response to the Tustin Community Association manifesto can be found on our dedicated webpage at www.southwark.gov.uk/Tustin

#### The Tustin Resident Project Group

The Tustin Resident Project Group meets monthly, and oversees the project from a resident perspective working with Southwark Council. We are keen for more people to get involved. If you are interested in joining the group, please contact Neal Purvis on Freephone **0800 073 1051** or at **neal.purvis1@btinternet.com** 

# Contacting Southwark about this project

The project team working with the community on any plans for the low rise homes on the estate can be contacted on **020 7732 2886** or email **tustin@southwark.gov.uk** 

# The Independent Tenant and Homeowner Advisor



Neal Purvis from Open Communities is the Independent Tenant and Homeowner Advisor. If you have any questions contact Neal on Freephone 0800 073 1051 or at neal.purvis1@btinternet.com

#### Coronavirus

The threat of COVID-19 has not gone away and we strongly encourage people to keep an eye on the advice from the government, particularly in returning from other countries.

You can read more about the latest restrictions at

www.gov.uk/coronavirus

#### Help us Keep Southwark Safe

If you think you have any of the COVID-19 symptoms you should get a test immediately by calling **119** or visiting **www.nhs.uk/coronvirus**.



Symptoms include:

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss or change to your sense of taste or smell

If you have symptoms, you and anyone you live with, must stay at home and self-isolate until you get your results. If you test is positive you MUST self isolate.

If you think self-isolating could be difficult for any reason support is available. Visit the council's website for more information.

#### www.southwark.gov.uk/coronavirus