Elmington Resident Steering Group

on

Monday 13th August 2012, .615pm – 8.15pm

at

Owgan Close, Benhill Road, London SE5

Attended by Apologies

Southwark Council

Cllr. Veronica Ward
Claudette Morris
Donna Mallon (minutes)
Noel Ene
Loretta Aniemeka

Member for Regeneration
Estate Regeneration Team
Resident Services Officer
Resident Services Officer

Members

Mary Bassett (chair)

Nick Farr

Pat Farr

Mrs A Delano-Seal

Daniel Ukaegbu

2 Houseman Way
68 Lomond Grove
5 Houseman Way
21 Drayton House

- Cllr. Dora Dixon-Fyle
- Cllr The Right Reverend Emmanuel Oyewole
- Cllr. Ian Wingfield
- Sharon Shadbolt
- Edith Fekarurhobo

Item		Action
1.	Review of Minutes and Matters Arising	
	Accurate account of the minutes was recorded	
	Matters arising:	
	Cllr Ward has spoken with Cllr Wingfield about Open Communities assisting the RSG.	
	CM informed the RSG that Neal will be invited to assist the group further at key stages of the Family Mosaic and Notting Hill developments. A meeting between the RSG, Neal and the Council will be arranged. The RSG will need to suggest what areas of the process Neal will be most helpful to them.	
	It was also suggested the list of draft questions provided by Notting hill, would a good point to invite Neal to assist. CM informed Mary that she will communicate with Neal about reviewing the questions for inclusions, which can be done over the telephone.	

2. Land Sale and Cabinet Report

The report was presented to Cabinet on 17th July 2012, and has been approved following the scrutinised period that has now expired. The council will now enter into negotiations with Family Mosaic regarding vacant possession dates and their proposed phasing plan.

Consultation with the council and residents concerning their planning application will start approximately late September/October 12.

Cllr Ward advised that there will be a pre-planning application meeting with Family Mosaic and Bellway before final submission.

3. Sites A and B – Update

Contractor interviews were arranged for the 24th July 2012 however, the RSG has not received feedback due non attendance.

A further date of post contract interview has been arranged on 24th August. Notting would like an RSG member to attend and asked for a member to be nominated. This is the opportunity for the RSG to ask questions of the contract about aspirations and working with tenants etc. CM asked if anyone member from the RSG was interested in attending, the interviews on the 24th August 2012. Mary said she will talk with Sharon and inform Fiona Cane.

Fiona sent through a list of draft questions for the RSG to consider and or develop their own questions.

CM confirmed that NHHT have completed the land sale for sites A & B.

4. Benhill Road Nature Garden

CM confirmed that the school had provisional agreed but confirmation is needed from Children Services.

CM To move the project forward following the ground work report, a working group will need to be formed. This group should consist of RSG members, two members from school, Family Mosaic and members from outside the estate but live in the area. The first meeting should take place in September 2012 when the school resumes.

CM suggested that to co-opt new members invites should be sent out and posted in the neighbouring area inviting local people to be a part of the group.

MB advised that Elmington TRA produces a regular newsletter and that it would be a good idea if the nature garden was advertised in their news letter.

CM suggested advertising the information before September if that was possible.

5. Rehousing Update & Decants

Site D Benhill Road - 30 units

14 tenants rehoused

6 tenants to be rehoused.

10 leaseholders

Site E – Houseman Way and Benhill Road (odd numbers) – 60 units

51 tenants registered

24 tenants rehoused

26 tenants to be rehoused

9 leaseholders

Site G – Broom Way, Lomond Grove & Flecker House – 54 units

29 tenants registered

13 tenants outstanding to be registered

2 tenants rehoused outside the scheme

36 tenants to be rehoused

12 leaseholders – 1 leasehold completion.

1 property squatted, repossession action in progress

CM informed the group that property section will be concentrating on site D leaseholders as per the programme.

CM confirmed that the council are in the process of applying for approval to obtain CPO (Compulsory Purchase Order). A Report will go to Cabinet in September 2012.

Action Point: 1 CM to contact Sharon Shadbolt for an update on the refurb blocks to be presented at the next RSG.

8. A.O.B.

Annette Delano –Seal asked if the council could assist a friend who would like to move out of London, so that Annette Delano-Seal could move in to this property, she does not want to move off of the estate and has been assessed as needing a four bedroom.

CM confirmed that the council would not be able to assist, as each council has their own waiting lists.

CM suggested that anyone that wanted to down size should speak to Noel Ene (resident services officer) for further advice or Housing Option unit.

CM also confirmed that the 35 questions put forward to Neal at the June Meeting by Edith Fekaruraobo will be provided at the next RSG meeting.

CM mentioned that a review of the RSG membership needs to be carried out to co-opt new members.

	Action Point 2: Provide list of meeting dates to Mary Bassett and minutes to be provided to Cllr Ward by e-mail.	
9.	Date of next meeting - 10 th September 2012	

