

# Ledbury Estate

## Weekly newsletter

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#### **Bromyard Update**

Last week the Resident Project Group received an update on the asbestos removal at Bromyard House. All the asbestos is being removed as part of the preparations for the pilot work to the block. The external mastic on Bromyard House has also been checked and has been certified as asbestos free.



Pictured above is the work being undertaken inside the pilot flats at Bromyard House. The works that have been specified by Arup started on 8 May 2019. This will involves drilling walls, floors, core drilling and scanning.

The pilot works and investigation will set out in more detail what is needed and that will lead to detailed specification and further costing of the works.

At the Resident Project Group last week Charles Hingston from Calford Seadon reported that Hunters have been appointed as the architects to work on the proposed new build homes on the estate to be built between the blocks. They will begin work on new build when the works needed to Bromyard House have been confirmed.

The minutes of all the Ledbury Resident Project Group meetings can be found on our website at www.southwark.gov.uk/Ledbury

#### Surveys

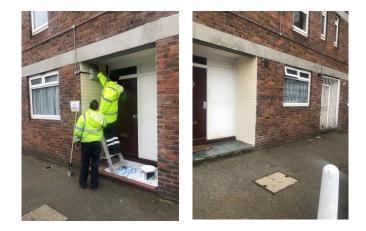
Alongside the pilot works to Bromyard other surveys will be ongoing to communal parts

surrounding the tower blocks. These include CCTV scans of drainage systems and soil tests the surrounding ground. This is to make sure we build up as full a picture as possible of the condition of external areas.



#### Pencraig Way and Credenhill House

At the Resident Project Group the Ledbury TRA has also been pressing for the painted areas in the low rise communal areas to be refreshed.



This has been completed in all but the ground floor entrances of Pencraig Way and Credenhill House. The works to these blocks will be completed over the next few weeks.

#### Resident Services Officer for the Ledbury Low Rise properties

Rochelle Ferguson is the Resident Services Officer for the Ledbury Estate (not including the Towers).

You can contact Rochelle on **020 7525 4833** and her email address is **rochelle.ferguson@southwark.gov.uk** 

All repairs for the Ledbury Estate should be reported by calling **0800 952 4444.** 

Rochelle holds a monthly surgery at the Ledbury TRA Hall on the fourth Wednesday of the month between 3pm and 5pm.

#### **Resident Service Officer for Sylvan Grove**

Obie Ebanks is the Resident Services Officer for Sylvan Grove.

You can contact him on **020 7525 4198** or **obie.ebanks@southwark.gov.uk** 

All repairs for Sylvan Grove should be reported by calling **0800 952 4444.** 

### Resident Services Officer for Churchyard Row

Debbie Ming is the Resident Services Officer for Churchyard Row.

You can contact her on **020 7525 1165** or **debbie.ming@southwark.gov.uk** 

As a reminder all repairs for Churchyard Row should be reported by calling **0800 952 4444** or for the first two years to **newhomes.defects@southwark.gov.uk** 

It would be helpful to the council that if you are reporting a repair by email you could include a photograph of what is wrong to help us work out if the problem is a defect or a repair.

#### **Reminder on Oxygen Cylinders**

One of the issues that could jeopardise safety is the use of oxygen cylinders in the blocks. This means that no visitors to the blocks will be able

#### to come in if they require an oxygen cylinder.

From the home visits we have carried out it is clear that, at present, no current resident has the need to use an oxygen cylinder.

However no one knows what their health will be in the future. If an issue arises with your health that means that you will need to have use of an oxygen cylinder, please speak to your doctor and then let your Resident Service Officer (whose contact details are in this newsletter) know immediately so we can work with you to ensure your health needs are catered for.

Non-resident leaseholders are being asked to make sure their tenants in the block are also aware of both of these issues.

#### Warning re bottled gas

It remains vitally important residents do not bring any bottled gas or gas appliances into the tower blocks; we have been advised that the buildings will not withstand the force of a gas explosion.

Fire wardens will also be monitoring to check that no gas canisters are brought into the buildings.

#### **Local Police Sessions**

PC Twinkal Sharma, PC Adrian Moroz and PCSO Felix Adeyanju will be holding hour-long contact sessions in the Ledbury TRA Hall so residents can meet with the local Old Kent Road Ward Police team.

Date	TIME
22/05/2019	11:00-12:00
12/06/2019	11:00-12:00
12/06/2019	12:00-13:00
19/06/2019	11:00-13:00
26/06/2019	12:00-13:00

In addition there will be a public Ward Panel Meeting on 28 May 2019 at the Ledbury TRA Hall for any resident of the Old Kent Road area at 7pm. At that meeting, the Your local Safer Neighbourhood Team will be available to discuss any concerns or problems that you have that affect you or your local community.

The team can also be contacted by email oldkentroad.snt@met.police.uk

#### Ledbury webpage

Don't forget! Everything we have issued to residents, including these newsletters and answers to frequently asked questions, will also be uploaded to our website at www.southwark.gov.uk/Ledbury.

#### Housing updates:

All residents in the tower blocks will have to leave their homes for a period whilst major strengthening and refurbishment works are carried out. For those that do not want to leave the Estate, they will have the opportunity to move into one of the empty homes in the Towers temporarily while their blocks are completed. For those who want to move from the Towers, they will continue to have priority to move.

All tenants will have the right to return to the estate.

Please note that properties are not allocated according to the time you bid. They are allocated by our colleagues in the allocations team according to Southwark Council's lettings policies.

Ledbury Towers tenants are in Band One, and the properties are allocated by how many stars each applicant has, then by application date and finally by your tenancy date.

When you bid, your position may change depending on other applicants' stars, application date or tenancy date.

If you need help with bidding or you think your application can attract stars because you or someone else in your household is working or carrying out voluntary work for more than 16 hours a week, do not forget to come in and see the Ledbury Team for help.

#### Offers

- 172 empty properties
- 2 offers made and accepted and awaiting move in date.
- 1 households in 1st position and viewing pending.
- 0 household finished within 2nd and 3rd positions and awaiting confirmation of viewing results from 1st applicants.
- 191 offers refused following viewing/second thoughts after bidding cycle.

#### Independent Tenant and Leaseholder Advisors

The Tenants and Residents' Association and the Ledbury Action Group agreed the appointment of Neal Purvis from Open Communities as the Independent Tenant and Leaseholder Advisor for the Ledbury Estate.



**Neal Purvis** 

Neal holds drop in sessions for residents in the TRA Hall on Thursdays - 2pm to 4pm.

Or if you would like to arrange a home visit you can contact Neal, or the rest of the Open Communities team, on 0800 073 1051

#### The Ledbury Team

You can contact the Ledbury team at the Ledbury TRA Hall by calling **020 7732 2757** or **020 7732 2886**.

Staff that are permanently based on Ledbury are:

#### Ledbury Estate



Mike Tyrrell – Director of

Ledbury Estate.

Mike now works on a part time basis and his days are flexible, depending on what meetings he needs to attend. If you want to see Mike, just arrange for your RSO to make an appointment with him, on the days he is working.

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