

Columbia TRA

Open Meeting 5th March 2018

Present from the Committee:

Kevin McKenna (chair); John Cotter; Ed Furey (treasurer) Jenny Dunn: Pam Haluwa

Tower Hamlets Homes:

Shahi Acou ; David Marcus ; Kobir Choudhury

Others present:

Cllr.Pierce, T.Vaux, S.Brown, D.Noble, J.White, S.Clark, A.Powis, M.Hussein, N.Islam

Agenda:

Apologies

Minutes last meeting and matters arising

Major works

Finance

AOB

Apologies for absence: Penny Creed; Jim Connelly-Webster; A.Chunu

Minutes of last meeting agreed:

Matters arising from minutes:

1. Complaint on noise nuisance full report sent to Helenka and Kevin for follow up
2. Sample of ASB leaflet will be updated and produced; contact nos still the same; discussion on how best to present nos ie order of call Action: Kobir to take away
3. New build Baroness Rd; Full report came back from Mayor Biggs; awaiting date for consultation

Major Works:

Major works team have a 5 year programme, the definition for major works is anything that is connected to the fabric of the building i.e.

Windows, doors, electrics, roofing, brickwork etc.

Q. When do leaseholders pay

A. Estimates given and pay before work starts. This answer needs to be checked with leaseholder services

Q. When contacting service re: build why are you renewing roof when it was patched 3yrs ago, and rewiring Old Market Square

A. Section 20 notice will have works and cost, 28 days given for any queries; can look at tendering; also can see if works have been done prior to Section 20

Q. How can you guarantee quality of works and why does it appear to cost more even though there is bulk buying

A. New regime will ensure quality; many people are involved and overheads, other than materials, are more; all materials are up to a certain standard, higher than maybe other parts of the market. Copies of all quotes etc can be viewed by leaseholder at THH, by appointment

Q. Can you make it more accessible for people to respond i.e.

by email or phone

A. You can get leaseholder services to come and discuss

Q. Why aren't Tenants involved and what input do residents have on finish and quality

A. We will be holding meetings for both Tenants and Leaseholders once Section 20 has been issued; residents will have a say on paint and colour

Q. How can blocks get security doors (Ravenscroft) windows Chambord/ Virginia; how are blocks selected

A. If buildings need more elements and need more work they are seen as a priority

There were some questions on billing that couldn't be answered, suggested we get Leaseholder services to another meeting.

Kobir (housing officer) has been given a copy of questions and will get back to Kevin with any clarification to what was said on the night.

There was a short update on the CART workshop dates to be circulated

Finance:

Income Dec-Jan income £965 film monies / exp. £161.34 Christmas party.

There being no further questions meeting closed 9.10pm

Next committee meeting Monday 9th April at Dunmore Hut 7.15

Next all member meeting Tuesday 8th May Dorset Community Centre 7.00