

Kingsbridge Estate TRA Meeting to set up a Resident Steering Group
5th March 2019

ATTENDANCE:

Residents

- Sima Rahman
- Kalsuma Begum
- Anna Cushen
- Pam Cole
- Cherie Antoinne
- Deirdre Benjamin
- David Ledbetter
- Danny Waites
- Colin Hammond
- Sharif Hossain
- Shantha Gowda
- Candice Wright
- Sha Shamin Ahmed
- Nathalie Hajek
- Jelena Rakasaite

Others

- Michael Tyrrell from the 4EF
- Paul Hanley from OHG
- Kate Emmanuel from OHG
- Onome Ogholo from OHG

1. Mike Tyrrell the Independent Adviser explained how the Resident Steering Group can be set up. He gave examples from the nearby estates that have set up their RSGs.
2. There was a lot of discussion about the link with the Kingsbridge TRA. Some thought the two groups should be separate, others felt it was an advantage to have a link, for example communicating progress at the TRA meetings. The RSG could use the KTRA community events that are to be able to talk to residents who do not usually attend the meetings to maximise engagement.
3. MT explained that as he or OHG had received so few biographies from residents who wanted to volunteer, that the meeting had two choices:

- To wait until everyone who is interested in standing has provided biographies before appointing a group
 - To see who wants to stand and appoint them today and find out from those who have not turned up who still wants to be considered at the first meeting of the RSG.
4. It was decided to go around the table to see who wished to volunteer to be on the RSG. The following volunteered to serve on the RSG:
- Sima Rahman – Montrose House
 - Kalsuma Begum – Montrose House
 - Anna Cushen – Michigan House
 - Pam Cole – Montcalm House
 - Cherie Antoine – Montrose House
 - Deirdre Benjamin – Montcalm House
 - David Leadbetter – Montcalm House
 - Danny Waites – Michigan House
 - Colin Hammond – Montcalm House
 - Sharif Hossain – Michigan House
 - Shantha Gowda – Montcalm House
 - Natalie Hajek – Montcalm House
5. There were a number of questions about the administration of the RSG, and MT responded that:
- One of the first roles of the RSG is to agree a terms of reference that will set out how the group will function. Once the Independent Adviser is appointed they will review it.
 - The RSG should try and achieve a balance of leaseholders and tenants as well as between the blocks
 - The RSG at one of its first meeting will be to agree a brief to engage an independent adviser
 - The RSG will select its own Chair. It could be one of the members of the Group, the Independent Resident Adviser or the Residents Advocate.
 - The RSG will be administered and minuted by the Independent Resident Adviser and Mike will take on that role until the Independent Resident Adviser is appointed.
 - The RSG will be able to co-opt members
 - The RSG will set a quorum
 - The RSG will encourage the engagement of all residents to get involved with making decisions on the future of the estate.
 - The RSG will feedback on their work to the estate's residents through regular newsletters.

6. Following these questions it was agreed to appoint all those who volunteered above and that the first meeting will receive a report on who else who could not make the meeting who wanted to volunteer.
7. It was further agreed to appoint Mike Tyrrell as the Residents Advocate for the Resident Steering Group,
8. It was agreed to hold the meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of the month for 2 hours, the first hour with OHG. The first meeting is on 10th April at 7pm. As the number of members and Officers and adviser present exceeds 15, the TRA Office can not be used. Paul Handley from OHG was asked whether OHG could book a smaller meeting space at the Docklands Sailing Centre with better acoustics.
9. Mike send out the papers for the first meeting.