

### Newsletter for Winch House April 2019

# The consultation on the future of your homes has started, however we need some volunteers from your block to join the Resident Steering Group?

You will have seen in the newsletters that the consultation on the future of your block is underway. Most of you will have been visited by One Housing Group staff as part of the consultation already.

One Housing Group have said that it will be residents who decide what happens to their homes. This could mean that options could range from doing nothing, refurbishing the blocks, extending the blocks, or knocking some, or all of the blocks down and replacing them with new homes.

These are big decisions, and whilst all residents will be consulted on them, it is important that Winch House is represented on the Residents Steering Group.



Have you got the time to volunteer for the Resident Steering Group? They meet for two hours on the first Thursday of every month at 7pm in the Docklands Sailing Centre on West Ferry Road. We are hoping to move the meeting to the Tiller Road Leisure Centre, once the works to it are completed.

If you wish to discuss volunteering for the Resident Steering Group, do not hesitate to contact Mike Tyrrell from the 4 Estates Forum or Alison White from One Housing Group. Their details are below:

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## What will the Resident Steering Group for Kedge House, Starboard Way and Winch House be doing over the coming months?

The Resident Steering Group will be advising, guiding and supervising the work of One Housing and its partners as they consult with local residents about any changes to their homes. It has met twice so far.

They will, over the coming months work with OHG to appoint Independent Resident Advisers and Architects. Following those appointments and the conclusion of the surveys that are currently being undertaken, options can start to be drawn up for consultation with all residents concerned.

One of the crucial roles that the Resident Steering Group will undertake is making sure that as many residents as possible are involved in the consultation, through surveys, exhibitions, one to one interviews etc.



### What is the 4EF?

The 4 Estates Forum is an elected group of residents independent of One Housing Group.

Our aim is to hold One Housing Group to account.

- We do not get any benefit from One Housing Group.
- We do not make any decisions on behalf of residents about their homes.
- We want to make sure all residents' voices can be heard loudly and clearly.
- We want to make sure any consultation is done properly, fairly and openly.

The 4 Estates Forum will still be in existence despite Project Stone not being pursued by One Housing Group, and the three areas chosen for a conversation have agreed to progress the consultation for their blocks.

The 4EF will continue, as it is important that residents across the Island who are being consulted have the support of their neighbours.

Newsletters will be at least quarterly in 2019 so that everyone across all four estates can be updated as to what is happening.

For more information, visit the 4EF website and find the whole story: <a href="www.4estatesforum.org.uk">www.4estatesforum.org.uk</a>, or contact our Advisor, Mike Tyrrell at: <a href="mike@4estatesforum.org.uk">mike@4estatesforum.org.uk</a>.



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