
4 Estates Forum

RESIDENTS MEETING

11.1.17.

Present: Pam, Maggie, Mike, Arthur, Jill, Ahmed, Danny

Apologies: Geraldine, Candida, Jackie

Advisor's Report: (attached to email version)

Discussion:

On the TH local Plan the redlined areas are “a redevelopment opportunity”. They say Kingsbridge should have been included. We will request clarification on what an “area of opportunity” status is and on its implications.

Elections to 4EF:

4 representatives were elected at an open meeting on Kingsbridge. The other 3 Estates will be selecting before the end of the month.

Stock Condition Survey:

- Mike’s recommendation to TH of an independent scrutiniser has been accepted – Chris Worby.
- Maggie, Arthur or Jill will be available to attend the panel selecting the shortlisted surveyors.
- SCS should be finished by April. (NB - This coincides with the finish of Mikes’ contract.)

Consultation:

- OH has arranged a meeting with Mike to discuss consultation. Are they trying to take the initiative away from the residents?
- We need to be clear what we want from “consultation” and also what we want any regeneration to be like, or not.
- We need a stepped approach to help us keep control of the process.
- We need to be in a position where our consultation principles are in place for when the Stock Condition Survey is finished.

Kingsbridge Expectations Meeting

- Soundings will be chairing and TH will be attending in an observational role
- It will be minuted.

- Alan Williams is presenting the OH perspective with Robert. The written response to the Kingsbridge questions will be presented first, then Q&A.

Local Neighbourhood Plan

Glen has drafted an Estate Regeneration Policy with best practise for the Plan.

Newsletter

- Mike has done a draft of the newsletter to advertise estate meetings to appoint representatives to the 4EF.
- The 7 points on the back will be summarised.
- Mike will set up a website and email soon for residents to contact the advisor and source information.

AOB

- The surgery sessions proposed for Tuesdays 2-4 will be replaced by attendance at meetings. The sessions are time heavy when there are higher priorities.
- At some time in the near future we may need to get some support for Mike.
- The 4EF needs a logo. The river with 4 joined hands was suggested.
- A workshop on the outcomes of the SCS would be useful.

	Residents	Joint
Feb	8th	22nd
March	8th	22nd
April	12th	26th

Report of the Independent Resident Advisor – 11th January 2017

Residents' Meetings

I have attended the following meetings since we last met:

- Barkantine Management Team
- Kingsbridge TRA
- St Johns TRA Executive Meeting
- SELMO

Other Meetings

I have also had meetings with:

- Argent
- Argent/OHG/LBTH
- The Mayor's Isle of Dogs Working Group

The Mayor's Isle of Dogs Working Group took place on 15th December 2016. Issues discussed were:

- My work on behalf of the 4EF
- Options Appraisal.

- Stock Condition Survey
- Kingsbridge Expectations Document
- Tower Hamlets Local Plan

Constitution

The revised constitution taking on board the amendments made at the meeting on 14th December 2016 were circulated to the four estates in the last week of December 2016 with a request that each Estate nominate their four representatives by the end of January 2017 in order that the First AGM of the Four Estates Forum can be held February 2017.

Kingsbridge elected their four representatives at their meeting on 10th January 2016. St Johns TRA are due to elect theirs at a meeting on Monday 23rd January 2017. Samuda will elect theirs at a meeting being held to discuss the OHG Management Plan for the Estate. I am awaiting a date for that meeting. The Barkantine Management Team will be holding a special meeting at the end of January / early February.

Stock Condition Survey

LBTH have confirmed that they are going to appoint Chris Worby to lead on scrutinising the commissioning and the outputs of the Survey, so that the Four Estates Forum can have confidence in the outcomes.

The Stock Condition Survey is now out to tender and the revised brief following our input is attached.

Workshops will be held for residents who want to be able to understand what the Stock Condition Survey is all about.

Good practice In Resident Consultation

The draft that was agreed at the meeting on Wednesday 23rd November 2016 has now been discussed by the Kingsbridge TRA only. We need feedback from the other three estates as it is clear that Argent an OHG will be getting ready to move into consultation mode as soon as the Stock Condition results are known.

I m due to attend a meeting with them on consultation on 19th January 2017.

Kingsbridge Expectations document

The response to this will be given at a meeting for the Kingsbridge Estate on Tuesday 17th January 2017 at 6.30pm at the Sailing Centre. 4EF members are welcome to attend. At the request of Kingsbridge TRA the meeting will be chaired by Soundings. LBTH will be in attendance.

The response will be given jointly by Robert Evans from Argent and Alan Williams from OHG. They will have around 45 minutes to present the response, a written response ill be issued at the start of the meeting. 45 minutes will then be given over to questions. At the end of the meeting they have set aside time to discuss individual concerns.

Tower Hamlets Local Plan

I sent the response on behalf of the 4EF to LBTH to urge them to amend their proposed Local Plan so that it reads:

1. The Council seeks to deliver 39,310 new homes (equating to 3,931 per year) between 2015 and 2025 in line with the housing supply targets established in the London Plan and rolling forward a reasonable target as appropriate over the Local Plan period. This will be achieved by:

- d. working with Registered Providers to support the regeneration of housing estates where open space, existing homes (including affordable and family) are protected, and where homes are brought up to a high quality standard; **and where demolition is proposed, resident support for the proposal must be gauged through a process to be agreed by the residents concerned (for example a vote);**

Newsletters

I have drafted a newsletter for you to consider at this evenings meeting.

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