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你對明白這封信的內容是非常重要，如果你需要進一步的解釋，和/或翻譯設備，請儘早與下頁提供的辦事處聯絡。

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Clichy Estate Newsletter

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Dear resident,

As you will be aware by now, the council is looking closely at the future of the Clichy Estate to find ways to provide more safe and secure housing for its residents. This is part of our work to deliver 2,000 new homes by 2022.

We are considering a number of options and your input is essential. In July, two drop-in sessions were held at Stepney City Farm to give you the opportunity to tell us what matters to you about your estate. More than 80 residents attended. There will be further events where you can meet the project team and have your say. We have launched a new webpage at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/ClichyEstate and we will also be sending newsletters to keep you updated.

A bit of background

The average cost of renting a flat in Tower Hamlets is now more than the average household income. There are already more than 19,000 households on the housing register in need of an affordable home and over 2,000 households living in temporary accommodation. Although more new homes were built in Tower Hamlets in 2018 than anywhere else in the UK, the average price is now 22 times the average salary, so our residents often can't afford to buy them.

In response, the council has committed to delivering 2,000 new council homes by 2022. These genuinely affordable homes will include properties big enough for families. One in ten will be wheelchair accessible.

At just eight square miles, space to build in Tower Hamlets is in short supply. We're making the most of land that we already own, including buildings no longer used as they once were.

But that isn't enough. We also need to look closely at whether there is room for us to increase the number of homes on existing estates.

We can do this by finding 'infill sites' or gaps on estates where new buildings can go. We're also looking carefully to see if we can redevelop existing estates to replace older buildings with ones that are modern, better designed and crucially, that provide more council homes for our residents.

We have looked closely at all the estates across the borough to identify where there is the best opportunity to increase the amount of council housing. We found that not only does the Clichy Estate have room to accommodate new homes, there will be space for a new mosque, community facilities and improved open spaces. We will be going ahead with the redevelopment of the area where the mosque and the housing office are now regardless of the outcome of the ballot on any wider plans for the estate. We have committed to providing a new mosque on the estate as part of the works.

Before any work begins on the rest of the estate, you will be given a vote on whether it should go ahead. Before we get to that stage, we're looking at what the different options might look like. We would welcome your input to help us shape our plans.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss your individual circumstances with a member of the team, please call **0207 364 7437** or email ClichyEstate@towerhamlets.gov.uk

You can also find copies of this newsletter and more information at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/ClichyEstate

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TOWER HAMLETS



What you have told us so far

Below is a summary of the key points you raised during the drop-in sessions held in July.

Residents' Panel

A number of residents expressed an interest in being more involved with the project as part of a panel. If this is something you would like to get involved in, please email ClichyEstate@towerhamlets.gov.uk or call one of the project team on **0207 364 7437**.

Design

- Brick built buildings with no cladding
- Individual balconies
- Good storage
- Solid wall and noise insulation
- Parking
- More homes for social rent
- Gardens
- More green spaces
- Maisonette layouts
- No open plan layouts
- Enclosed courtyards
- Any new building should be in keeping with the existing look and view of park
- More space to grow vegetables
- Improved communal areas
- Improved bin stores

Community

- A homely feel with a good sense of community
- A new mosque
- More provision for young people
- Access to schools and transport

Current conditions

- Homes need repairs
- Damp is an issue
- The bins are smelly and dirty
- Nothing great about the estate
- Dingy conditions in communal areas

Anti-social behaviour

- Poorly lit communal areas
- Drug dealing
- Litter is an issue
- Gangways are noisy
- Dumped bulky rubbish
- Night time disturbances.

General comments

Residents asked questions on the topics below and we will be able to provide the information requested at future events.

- Parking provision
- The residents' ballot
- The offer for tenants
- The options for leaseholders

Most importantly, you said that you wanted regular updates on this project which we hope to achieve through these newsletters, our website and future events.

Remember these are just the views of your fellow residents. If you disagree with the points they've made, or feel something has been missed out, then it's even more important for you to have your say.

Selling your home?

Are you currently selling your home or looking to do so in the near future? If so the council would like to hear from you. We will buy your property at market value. Contact Halema Begum on **020 7364 6250** or write to Housing.Strategy@towerhamlets.gov.uk for more information.

Upcoming events

These events are your opportunity to have your say and to receive information from the project team. We've tried to organise them on different days and at different times to make sure as many residents as possible can attend.

The sessions are run on a drop in basis so please feel free to arrive at any time.

Translators will be available at every event. If you or someone you know has special requirements that you need us to be aware of ahead of a session, please let us know.

Meet the team

Tower Hamlets Council

Lucia Deere – Project Manager
Abad Uddin – Project Officer
James Walsh – Housing Team

PRP Architects

Stephen Martin – Lead Architect
Maria Aguinaga – Architect
Nick James – Community Engagement

<p>28 August 2019 10am to 7pm Stifford Centre 2-6 Cressy Place, E1 3JG</p>	<p>All residents A general information session for all residents where it will be possible to have one to one conversations with a member of the project team.</p>
<p>31 August 2019 10am to 7pm Stifford Centre 2-6 Cressy Place, E1 3JG</p>	<p>All residents A session focused on what the design of any new buildings could look like. Your chance to influence the plans and meet the architects and design team.</p>
<p>25 September 2019 10am to 7pm Harford Centre 115 Harford Street, E1 4FG</p>	<p>Female residents This session will be staffed by women from the project team and is an opportunity for female residents of the estate to have their say in a supportive environment.</p>
<p>25 September 2019 4pm to 9pm Haileybury Youth Centre (Dance studio) 2 Ben Jonson Road, E1 3NN</p>	<p>Young people A session for residents of the estate who are aged between 13 and 18 looking at what more can be done to make it a great place to grow up.</p>
<p>26 September 2019 10am to 7pm Harford Centre 115 Harford Street, E1 4FG</p>	<p>Older people and vulnerable adults A session for older residents and residents who are registered as disabled. Please let the project team know if you need any adjustments made to help you to attend.</p>
<p>26 September 2019 5pm to 7pm Harford Centre 115 Harford Street, E1 4FG</p>	<p>All residents A general information session for all residents. The views you put forward at this meeting will be used in the creation of a residents' design charter.</p>
<p>28 September 2019 10am to 1pm Stepney City Farm Stepney Way, E1 3DG</p>	<p>All residents A further opportunity to meet the architects and design where you will be encouraged to help them shape their ideas for the estate.</p>