

**HOUSING POLICY BOARD –  
Thursday 10 March 2016 at 11.15am**

**Attendees**

Cllr. Feilding-Mellen

**Officers**

Laura Johnson	-
Amanda Johnson	-
Richard Miller	-
Kathy Howard	Notes

**Apologies:**

None

**1. Minutes of the previous meeting**

To follow.

**2. TCC Briefing**

It was agreed that the consultative meeting would not take place this year, as the Council has agreed a reduction in rents. A new solution would need to be found for the future. Policy Board discussed how best to offer a more meaningful consultative meeting. Suggestions included –

Cllr Feilding-Mellen attending and speaking at the Residents' Conference in September (Laura Johnson would raise this with the TMO)

Tapping into the Residents' Engagement Panel or Tenants' Board

**3. Items for regular briefings at Policy Board**

Councillor Feilding-Mellen requested that regular briefings are provided on –

Decamp policy

Strategy towards VP, CPOs (Mr Miah to provide/attend)

Small blocks

Extra care housing

Intermediate housing – process for officers

Shared equity policy

Edenham/Trellick tower

#### 4. Earl's Court Business Engagement/BID

Richard Miller outlined the process and advantages of the BID. He was not convinced about the Earl's Court BID - there are some steps that need to be taken in the lead up to discussions about BIDs. He highlighted the following -

The BID area has Earl's Court at the centre of it

It is mainly residential with larger rate payers at the fringe of the area

It is likely that businesses on the fringe of the area would be asked for a larger levy, which they would question

Smaller businesses tend to be more anti-BID

Cllr Feilding-Mellen was not against the idea but needed a detailed proposal justifying the BID and demonstrating that there is critical buy-in from local businesses. Officers should come up with a list of questions, criteria etc that Cllr Spalding needs to gather to demonstrate what this BID will do.

Richard Miller would be meeting Cllr Spalding on 17<sup>th</sup> March and discuss this then.

#### 5. Any Other Business

**Kindred Studios** – they have been there for 18 months (with a mix of 90 different artists, makers and businesses) and are aware of the break clause and bigger plans for Westway. In any consideration of this area, there would be a loss of artists' space. Cllr Feilding-Mellen confirmed that alternative accommodation would need to be found for them. A visit was being arranged for a few weeks' time – Cllr Feilding-Mellen was happy to attend.

**Sichester Enterprise Hub** – Richard Miller reported that Peabody have appointed two partners to manage the space. Discussions would take place with the partners and a visit arranged.

**205 Holland Park Avenue** – discussions are continuing between Corporate Property and Legal regarding the lease. Architects have been appointed - the lease issues are slowing progress down. Richard Miller would find out the latest and inform Cllr Feilding-Mellen.

**The meeting ended at midday**