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The census is used to allocate resources and funding on a local and national level for the next 10 years. Taking part is very important to make sure your needs are reflected in future policy and allocation of funding to local authorities, services, charities and community groups.

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Your information is protected by law. That means government officials or anyone else dealing with payments or services you receive cannot see it. Any data collected is anonymised and kept safe for the next 100 years.

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booklets are available to download.

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If your language is not represented, please contact:

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other help completing the census

Face-to-face help is available. Any questions, worries or concerns please contact your local **Census Engagement Manager**, Vanessa Fagan directly:

vanessa.fagan49@field.census.gov.uk • tel:07452 935279.

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completing the census is compulsory

If you do not complete the census you could face prosecution, a hefty fine (**up to £1000**) and a criminal record.

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Please visit **census.gov.uk** for more information.

damp

balcony dye-tests

To determine the full extent of seepage from the walkways into flats, contractors will be applying purple dye on all front access balconies next **Wednesday (March 17th)**

Please Report

any appearance of the dye in your front rooms or hallway to:

ellie.robinson@southwark.gov.uk

A redecoration allowance is available to all flats effected by the test. But any valuable or delicate items should be removed from outside walls by Tuesday 16th March. (Top floor excepted)

The dye is water-soluble and should wipe clean from non-porous surfaces. A formal notification letter of this work should be arriving early next week from LBS.

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Work to remedy damp from rear balconies is booked, but with no definite start-date.

The work is likely to involve the entire block, and is under the original contract guarantee. LBS assure us it will therefore not incur further service charges.

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council coronavirus support

If you know of a vulnerable Southwark resident who may not have contacts who can help deliver essential supplies, please let the council know so they can organise support:

Email: covidsupport@southwark.gov.uk. • **Phone**: 0207 525 5000 option 3.

Or complete an online referral form :

www.southwark.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/for-the-public/coronavirus/tell-us-if-you-know-someone-who-needs-help

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illegal parking & dumped vehicles

Please contact the parking enforcement team on

0207 708 8587

An officer is meant to attend in 30mins.

or email: parking@southwark.gov.uk

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JUNIPER TENANTS & RESIDENTS

MEETING

7.30pm • Tuesday • 16/03/2021

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Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association

Meeting #37 Minutes • 7.30pm • Tuesday • 09/02/2021 • https://meet.jit.si/JUNIPERMEETINGS

Present: Coralie Allison. (Treasurer). Jess & Phoebe. Rob Kenyon (Secretary). Cherrie Stevens (vice-chair). Jackie Wilford (Chair).

The meeting gave its permission to be recorded for the purpose of ensuring accurate minutes.

Recording to be shared only with those present, and deleted after one month.

1) Approval of Minutes. Minutes approved.

2) Apologies for Absence. Lloyd Trott

3) Matters Arising from Minutes. No matters arising.

4) Financial Report.

a) Cheques received by secretary in respect of fireworks and Xmas newsletter expenses.

b) Treasurer has not yet acquired TRA financial records from previous treasurer due to circumstances Hopefully to be resolved by next meeeting.

5) Building & Maintenance.

a) Jess (66). Reported that a professional builder (her father) had inspected her flat, and was of the opinion that the damp was also related to a problem with the roof.

b) Chris Ayton of LBS has been in contact to announce that scaffolding will be erected 'soon' to deal with 2 cases of damp.

c) Leaks reported in flat 18. Tenant to be advised of complaint procedure..

6) Social Report.

a) Antisocial building noise has been reported to LBS. LBS Antisocial Noise Department agreed the situation was intolerable, but said there was nothing they could do as the work had been approved by LBS. However, they encouraged reporting any sightings of workers not wearing masks to the police. Police were contacted in due course, but failed to gain entry. Three local councillors have been mailed with a full complaint. Only one has responded to say he has *" written to councillor officers to see if anything can be done to alleviate the disturbance"*, and will get back when he has more information.

Southwark have been strongly urged to re-draft their guidelines for building permission to take into account the conditions of Lockdown.

b) Jaki reported a new local food-bank at The People's Supermarket, Marquis of Granby. Boxes £2 each.

c) Jess and Phoebe suggested a Kitchen Window Gallery for art made in Juniper.

To be publicised in newsletter.

d) Proposal for Juniper donations to LBS laptop fund to be discussed at next meeting.

7) Garden and Ball-court.

a) Several species of bulbs either flowering, or about to soon. Including Snowdrops, Narcissus, Anemones, Bluebells and Hyacinths.

Crocuses on the lawn are the current highlight.

8) Other Business. None.

9) Date of Next Meeting. 7.30pm • 16/03/2021. https://meet.jit.si/JUNIPERMEETINGS

juniper gallery

For a laugh, turn Juniper House into a giant exhibition by displaying your favourinte paintings, prints, photographs or sculptures in your kitchen or front bedroom windows.

Almost anything will do. Toys, lights, bowls of fruit, T-Shirts.

Make an impression, amuse the postman, save space in your flat, and even gain some privacy.

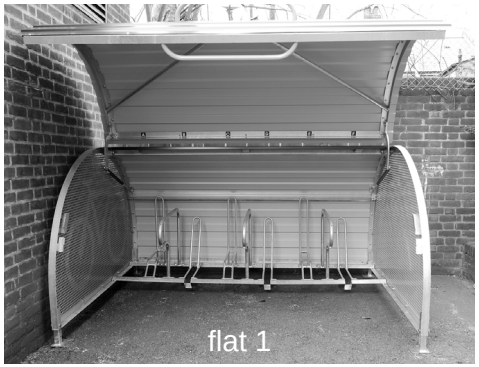
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flat 1


rear of ball-court

12 spaces

Residents who registered should hear back from the rental company by email within a week or two.

Please open and shut quietly.

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food-box deliveries

If you are finding it difficult to shop - for medical *or* financial reasons,
please call
0207 358 1140 or text **0785 702 4435**
or apply online:
www.pienmash.org.uk
All calls in strict confidence.
'Pie'n'Mash' is a recognised support agency.

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illegal parking & dumped vehicles

email: parking@southwark.gov.uk
with full details, location and photographs

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general estate repair problems

such as trip-hazards, vandalism, lift abuse, and damage to the fabric of the building, **contact Resident Services Officer, Efe Urubusi**
Mob: 0796 181 0158 • email: Efe.Urubusi@southwark.gov.uk

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new bike sheds!

(see back page)

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council-approved anti-social noise

Anti-Social noise from private contractors in Juniper flats continues to cause severe distress and disturbance to many residents. Southwark has given permission for this 'renovation', which is largely Non-Essential work, such as knocking down walls for cosmetic effect. Precisely the kind of work that LBS is *not* undertaking due to Covid - which is an inconsistent position.

In a nutshell, **LBS is authorising anti-social noise** by private contractors during a Lockdown, probably in breach of its own Tenants'/Leaseholders' Agreement with us. Especially since Residents were given no advance warning of the work, or notified of the duration.

People are trying to work from home, students are trying to maintain their education, key workers are trying to sleep. All made impossible by the incessant racket authorised by LBS. After three weeks, affected residents are at breaking point.

Juniper has a large proportion of vulnerable residents. The community as a whole has shown an admirable degree of consideration over the past months. People are playing by the rules. But the disturbance licensed by LBS is undermining our efforts to make Lockdown bearable.

Residents therefore deserve to know when the LBS Terms of Permission for private works will be amended to cater for the current emergency, and brought into line with the guidelines for Council work.

In assessing applications for adaptations to flats, LBS are meant to consider the **other residents in the building.** They have clearly not done this.

LBS officers claim to be powerless to prevent this nuisance, but our local councillors (below) ***are*** in a position to pressurise the Cabinet into making changes. Or we don't vote for them again.
This is a serious problem, please make them aware of it..

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Cllr Sandra Rhule: 020 7525 0242 • Mob: 0798 511 4295
Email:sandra.rhule@southwark.gov.uk

Cllr. Gavin Edwards: 020 7525 1436
Email: gavin.edwards@southwark.gov.uk

Cllr. Sunil Chopra: 020 7525 4277
Email: sunil.chopra@southwark.gov.uk

Write to 'c/o Members' Room. 160 Tooley Street. SE1 2QH'

balcony repair work

Scaffolding is to be erected shortly to repair 3rd floor balconies which are causing damp to flats below. The recent rain has made this problem much worse.

The council says it is only tackling two cases, but there are more. Including flats on the 3rd floor which are suffering from damp in their front bedrooms and hallways from the uncovered front walkways.

If you are experiencing damp from an uncovered balcony or walkway above, please **report urgently** to:

Chris.Ayton@southwark.gov.uk. *And* file a report at:
www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs/report-a-communal-repair
Or email: **repairs@southwark.gov.uk**
Or call: **0800 952 4444** or **0207 525 2600**

For more details see Juniper News edition #106. November 5th 2020 '*DAMP ALERT*'.
www.junipercommunity.files.wordpress.com/2021/01/juni-news-archive-1.pdf

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some covid myths
which could kill you, your friends and family, and the NHS

• Vaccines alter your DNA.

• Vaccines implant microchips.

• Herbal remedies & diets work.

• Bill Gates will use it to control the world.

• Masks don't work.

• NHS wards are empty.

• Covid only endangers the old.

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do you need help?

NHS Volunteers exist to help people to stay Covid-safe.
They have now completed more than a million tasks.

NHS volunteers help people:
• to avoid busy places by collecting their shopping, medicines and other important items
• have regular contact by making regular friendly phone calls.
• get to medical appointments by giving lifts.

People who can use this service
• Anyone who lives in England who needs to self-isolate for any reason.
• People who choose to stay at home as much as possible because they are cautious about going out during the coronavirus outbreak.

Some reasons you may be self-isolating or staying at home.
• You have ever been advised to shield by a health professional.
• You are vulnerable for another reason, For instance, due to disability, pregnancy, aged over 70, or you have a long-term condition such as Parkinson's or epilepsy, or are vulnerable due to a mental health condition.
• You have caring responsibilities.
• You are self-isolating because you have been diagnosed with Covid or have symptoms, or you've been in contact with someone who has.
• You have been instructed to self-isolate by the *'Test and Trace'* service, or because you've been near someone infected.
• You are self-isolating ahead of planned hospital care.
• You have been instructed to self-isolate following entry into the country.
• Frontline health and care staff are also welcome to register for our help.

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To register for support for yourself or someone you know, call
0808 196 3646

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Register to Volunteer

www.goodsamapp.org/NHSvolunteerresponders

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food-box deliveries

Unsurprisingly, demand for food-support is growing.
This is no shame.
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Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association • Meeting #36 Minutes • 7.30pm • Tuesday • 12/01/2021

Present: Coralie Allison. (Treasurer). Tim Burrow. Jess & Phoebe. Rob Kenyon (Secretary). Jackie Wilford (Chair).

1) Approval of Minutes. Minutes approved.

2) Apologies for Absence. Claire Palmer

3) Matters Arising from Minutes. No matters arising.

4) Financial Report.
a) Last year's accounts submitted to SGTO for approval.
b) Balance at present **£33,334.93**. Donations to The Field of £400 still not processed.
c) Cheque Signatories. Tim now not moving, so will stay as cheque signatory if required.
Proposal:
'*This meeting agrees to add Coralie Allison as a signatory to the Juniper Tenants & Residents Association Metrobank account.'*
Proposed Tim. Seconded Jaki Wilford, Voted for unanimously with 1 abstention (Coralie).
Tim to investigate procedure with bank.
d) Coralie and Tim to liaise over handover of Treasurer documentation.
Tim clarified that Metro sends us written statements after each transaction. They are also available online.

5) Building & Maintenance.
a) Leaks. Coralie updated the meeting on her case. She is having to re-start the repairs procedure after Xmas and Covid break.
Jaki reported that her damp has deteriorated, and that she has sent pictures of the damage to Chris Ayton, requested a tarpaulin for the balcony above and seeking compensation for the damage.
A&E Elkins have been round and taken their own photos.
Tim. Also in contact with Chris Ayton. Also in contact with Chris Ayton. Suppliers of balcony-surfacing to visit. Tim initially directed to claim for damage from the 'block building insurance'. Which is the responsibility of LBS, not individuals or the TRA. Suppliers of balcony-surfacing to visit. Persistent pestering of LBS by residents is essential for action. Faults should also be logged on LBS Repairs website. **Contacts.** Chris.Ayton@Southwark.gov.uk (Contracts Manager) and Efe.Urubusi@ Southwark.gov.uk (Estate Management).
b) Coralie. Who is responsible for changing main ceiling lights? There is general confusion about which faults are the responsibility of the resident. Some are. Details in the tenants handbook and on LBS website.
The **Handyperson Scheme** can help some residents with some work,. They charge £30/hr.

6) Social Report.
a) Fireworks went well. Videos now on website. www. https://junipercommunity.wordpress.com/. £129.15 of £300 budget spent. Invoice submitted to Treasurer.
b) Lights have been erratic, but hopefully can be made to work soon.
c) Xmas newsletter cost £36.85. Invoice submitted to Treasurer.
d) More residents have applied for weekly food deliveries. However, there are early signs that supply is flagging, partly due to the number of small businesses that have now closed.
e) The meeting discussed what the TRA could do to reinforce Covid safety guidelines. The option of Pandemic signage on the block was considered. Decision at next meeting.
f) Purchase of road paint approved by meeting, as authorised at 2020 AGM.
g) Parking. There have been complaints of non-resident parking on the block. After lengthy discussion the the meeting decided to investigate Southwark's current resident parking scheme, but also to draft a Juniper screen-badge to indicate the presence of resident vehicles to LBS parking wardens
h) Computer recycling project contacts to be forwarded to secretary.

7) Garden and Ball-court.
a) LBS were responsible for cutting Juniper padlocks on the Ballcourt, in spite of denials by Area Management.
Compensation and apology to be requested.

8) Other Business.
a) Organic waste collection. The meeting was informed that LBS did not supply Brown Bins to Juniper. However, 'The Field' can supply each household with 'Wormeries', and instructions for use. The resulting compost can either be spread on the garden, or used in plant-pots.

9) Date of Next Meeting. 7.30pm • 09/02/2021.
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Duration: 1hr 9minutes.

free, rapid covid-19 tests

London Borough of Southwark is now offering free tests to people aged 16 and over **who don't have Covid symptoms**. Results are usually available within an hour.

www.southwark.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/coronavirus/book-a-free-covid-19-test?chapter=3

Who can get tested
LBS is encouraging key workers and those who can't work from home to get a free test (a 'lateral flow test'). This includes school staff, supermarket staff, refuse collectors, childminders, transport workers, security guards, cleaners, construction workers and many other key worker roles.

Why you should get tested
1 in 3 people with COVID-19 have no symptoms. Check you're not carrying the virus and spreading it to colleagues, customers or those you live with.

Where?
The testing centre is at the Damilola Taylor Centre, 1e Surrey Grove, Peckham SE15 6DR and is open from 18 January. More sites will open soon.

Do not book a test if you have COVID-19 symptoms. Instead, self-isolate and book a free NHS test on the government website.

Do not book a test if you have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive. Instead, stay at home and self-isolate.

COVID-19 testing for people WITH symptoms is available at the following sites in Southwark. However you must book first online.

1) Peckham Pulse Leisure Centre car park, 10 Melon Road, Peckham, London SE15 5QN.
2) Burgess Park car park - Albany Road, SE17

Book a home test kit
You can order a home test kit online or by **calling 119**. You will need an email address to do this. You can also ask for a courier to collect your completed test.

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estate parking permits

Apply at:

www.southwark.gov.uk/parking

You can apply for a permit as a tenant, leaseholder or if you live permanently with a tenant or leaseholder.

The first permit is free, second permit (where applicable) £82.50

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antisocial noise can get you evicted

London Borough of Southwark Tenants & Leaseholders Agreement

(A6) Antisocial behaviour:

"You can be evicted if we believe you have behaved in an antisocial way.

We do not have to prove this. We simply have to act reasonably and explain to the court why we think you have behaved badly.

*You will have **no defence** in the court hearing against this."*

www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/council-tenants-services/tenants-handbook

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When the noise nuisance ***is*** happening

contact LBS Call Centre on **0207 525 5777**

and the Noise Team will aim to respond within 1 hour.

When the noise is ***not*** happening, fill out the form online at:

www.southwark.gov.uk/noise-and-antisocial-behaviour

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Many Key-Workers live at Juniper.

They need their sleep.

Please be considerate to ***all*** your neighbours.

They can hear every word you shout.

Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association • Meeting #35 Minutes • 7.30pm • 24/11/2020

Present: Coralie Allison. (Treasurer). Rob Kenyon (Secretary). Lloyd Trott (Area Delegate). Jackie Wilford (Chair).

1) Approval of Minutes. Minutes approved.

2) Apologies for Absence. Tim

3) Matters Arising from Minutes.
No matters arising which could not be addressed under existing agenda below.

4) Financial Report. Final report by Tim unavailable due to absence
a) Secretary reported that our Zurich insurance policy now up to date.
b) Clarification given by Chair for non-paying in of cheques to *The Field*. Person responsible was away. Donations now processed with thanks.

5) Building & Maintenance.
a) Leaks. New leak reported from above into flat 45. No feedback yet as to cause.
b) Roof leak. Lloyd reported continuation of chronic roof leak. LBS claiming not to be logging any new repairs for the time being.
action: Lloyd to pursue LBS further with full case history.
c) Surface leaks fron exposed surfaces. Jaki (14) in contact with LBS Contracts Manager Chris Ayton. Surface materials under investigation. Site visit expected soon.
action: Jaki to report back
d) Coralie in contact with Elkins. Bathroom to be inspected.
e) Scaffolding. No response yet to enquiries.
f) Staircase lighting. No further reports of failure.

6) Social Report. Midwinter holiday events.
a) Budget of £300 approved for fireworks, and £60 for solar fairylights. Coralie to be re-imbursed for lights, Jaki for fireworks. Fireworks display early Xmas evening. Tree dressing on or around 20th December. Possible fire in barbecue pit given enough help in preparation.
b) Door-to-door carol singing. Sharon expressed interest.
c) Colour Xmas Newsletter approved. action: secretary

7) Garden and Ball-court.
a) LBS tree surgeons visited and reduced large poplar.
b) Ballcourt keys to be requested from Area Management.

8) Other Business.
a) Library. Concerns that unless more use is made of this resource, stock may have to be found a more productive home. For example New Cross Community Library.
b) Meeting Room. Volunteers needed for indoor space and activity courses. Coralie and Rob volunteered for LBS Fire Safety and 1st Aid courses when they become available.
action: Secretary to contact relevant LBS department for dates..

9) Date of Next Meeting. 7.30pm • 12/01/2021
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Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association • Meeting #36 Agenda • 7.30pm • 12/01/2021

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1) Approval of Minutes

2) Apologies for Absence

3) Matters Arising from Minutes

4) Financial Report

5) Building & Maintenance

6) Social Report

7) Garden

8) Other Business

9) Date of Next Meeting

staying safe

To those who still need reassuring that Covid19 is a real danger, hospitals in Lewisham and Greenwich Heath Trust have cancelled appointments for routine operations after the recent surge in infections. NHS workers think that Coronavirus is real enough.

On Xmas Eve the trust announced that all routine operations other than for cancer and endoscopy have been postponed indefinitely in order to "*provide safe and effective care for those patients that need it*".

The Government announced yesterday that London will remain in Tier 4 for at least the next few weeks, which means:

- We should all stay at home.
- Do not meet people indoors, unless you live with them, or they are part of your existing support bubble.
- Only meet one person outdoors from another household.
- Non-essential shops are closed.
- You should work from home if you can.
- Do not travel from London to visit family or friends.

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getting help

Please look out for elderly or vulnerable residents during this cold spell and contact the **London Borough of Southwark** for help.

www.southwark.gov.uk/coronavirus-gethelp

email: **covidsupport@southwark.gov.uk**

or phone **0207 525 5000** and choose **option 3**.

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All Residents Welcome

to help with the emergency

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2020

Things we won't miss from last year:

The Rule of Six • Self-isolation • ‘Stay alert!’ • Tiers • Superspreaders • ‘Hands - Face - Space’ • Virus Clusters • Contact-Tracing • Redundancies • Elbow-bumps • Furloughs • Padlocked playgrounds • Five-person bubbles • Lockdowns • Pie-charts • 'R-rates' • Empty streets • Empty shops • Empty pubs • Empty theatres • The cold stink of hand-gel • Facemasks that steam up your glasses • Zoom...

But in spite of everything, bad times brought out the best in many people - as often happens. And we all realised that the best-paid don't always do the most important jobs.

As a result, Key Workers gained long-overdue Respect, and Communities everywhere were reinforced by Thursday night displays of appreciation of them.

Also, the words 'Black Lives Matter' and 'Mutual-Aid' emerged to offer a way forward. It wasn’t all bad.

today

Sunrise today marks the beginning of shortest day of the year. From now on, they get longer, and the nights get shorter. It is a day which has been celebrated ever since the first Stone-Age scientist realised its significance. It meant we could now roughly calculate how to share our food reserves to make them last until Spring. We were reminded of the Summers when the living was easier, and looked forward to them.

It was a time of Hope, because even if the nights were still cold, we knew from the position of the sun that there were better times coming soon. That Hope, based on Science, helped to keep us working together to make the most of the future, rather than fighting each other for the last stores of nuts and dried meat. Without it, the idea of society would have been almost impossible. The same Sun shone on us all, as it still does.

This midwinter, we don't have the same hopes as Cavemen. But we have just as much reason to believe there is a future. And we have proved this year that we have the same ancient ability to support each other through dark times - that helping each other works.

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Hopefully, Science will soon have partly solved some of our most immediate problems. And then we can carefully try to start living again, and be able to shake hands without fear.

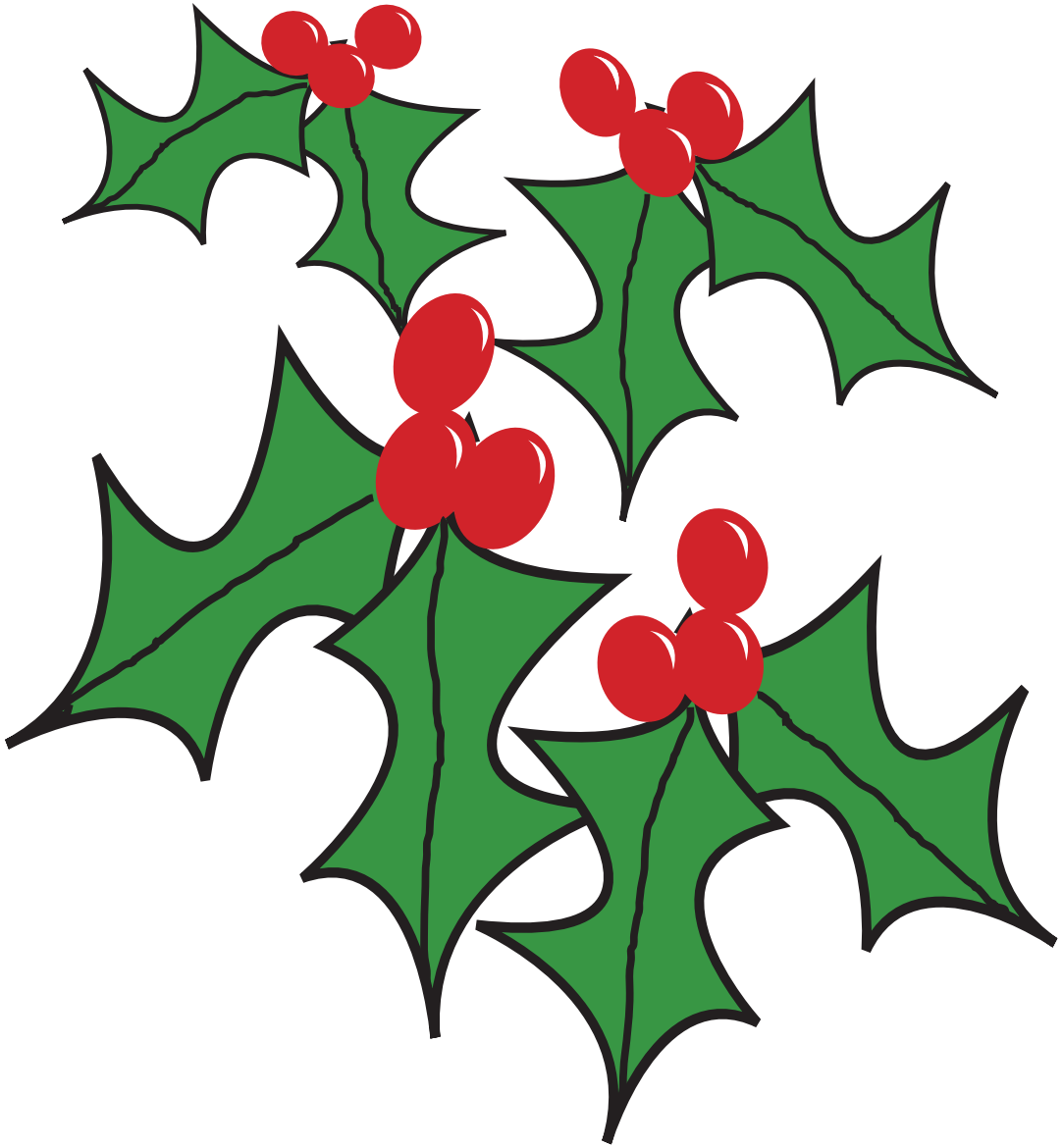
However, Science alone cannot repair the economic damage done by the Pandemic, or help with Britain's undoubtedly uncertain future in a world already facing huge environmental and economic challenges.

One thing is certain. The various problems next year throws at us will be easier to bear if we look after each other. Because if we don't, who will?

NEXT JUNIPER MEETING:
7.30pm • 12/01/2021

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good riddance 2020

xmas fireworks & pets

The Juniper Meeting held last week agreed in principle to hold a little fireworks display on Xmas evening. On our budget (£250) we don't expect the noise will last more than about 5 minutes, but it will be something we can all enjoy safely from our balconies.

When this has happened in the past, Pet-Owners have put their animals in the bathroom with some food. This has always proved effective.

If anyone has any worries about this proposal, please let us know.

xmas volunteers

All able bodied volunteers welcome for firework preparation work (filling buckets with earth, mainly.)

There are also plans to buy some solar-powered fairy-lights.

This project will also need help to make it happen - plus an extending ladder if anyone can lend one to the TRA for an afternoon.

rents and service charges 2021
• • <u>have your say</u> • •

'The council wants to hear your views on the proposals for landlord-related charges for the forthcoming financial year. The proposals cover rents and service charges, sheltered housing, garages and district heating charges...

We are hosting a live webinar on the 15 December at 6:30pm to discuss the proposals, answers questions and gather residents' feedback. Please book your space now, by registering in advance for this meeting:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYvdeqhpjkuGtUbK0aEOfElWs9B-Npwrskz

After registering, you will receive a confirmation.. If you are unable to attend the live webinar, but want to access the recording of the event, you can register your interest by e-mailing

resident.participation@southwark.gov.uk.

We will then provide you with the recording and a link so that you can send us your feedback on the rent-setting and budget report in time for consideration by the cabinet, on 19 January 2021. ' 01/12/2020

John McCormack, Tenant and Home Owner Involvement Team Leader.

garden scare good news

('MAJOR BUILDING WORKS. REF SPMW')

All residents recieved this letter last week, and due to the kind of language it used, plus long-standing suspicions of LBS, many read it to mean that there were plans to build on the garden.

<u>This is not true.</u>

We have a 'categorical' assurance that the garden is safe.

Thanks to everyone who signed the petition.

(email conversation with LBS Asset Management below.)

Dear Cllr Pollak. 'The residents of Juniper House received your letter today. Unfortunately, you do not provide us with any hard information, which has already caused some distress.

I would therefore like some clarification. When you say: ***"There may be times where some land on the estate has been identified as potentially suitable for much-needed new council homes.."*** do you mean that our garden has been so identified or not? If so I can assure you that there will be bitter opposition from the residents...' *25/11/2020*

Reply. 'I can categorically assure your garden has not been identified for new council homes. Juniper House has an optimal mix of uses on its land (I live the next road along so know it well). The letter was an invitation for residents to influence the upcoming procurement of a range of building services we'd be using borough-wide for investing and upgrading our council homes, and not specific to any particular area. I will pass on to colleagues that the wording has caused some confusion.' *26/11/2020*

Dear Cllr Pollak. 'I am absoutely delighted to feel like a complete idiot. But several people were truly upset. Many simply discarded the letter without reading it. Which, presumably, you don't want either.

Please try to make sure that future correspondence is clearer and more specific, with a thought to how it might be interpreted. From our point of view the document read like a death sentence for the garden, dressed up in standard bureaucratic candyfloss. A review of the language used by LBS is overdue. Your name was even spelled incorrectly on the letter (*'Pollock'*).' *26/11/2020*

Reply, 'I'm agreed with you on this letter and (as the misspelling probably hints at) there was a version control issue in terms of which eventually went out (which I'm currently taking up with colleagues). I hope the core message still stands though.' *26/11/2020*

parking email to LBS

'In the last few days at least 3 residents have been fined for parking on yellow lines in front of pram sheds. Access to sheds was not blocked. When was this level of enforcement authorised? And why were residents not informed?

There is no warning signage at the sites, and the markings are generally eroded and inconspicuous, especially at night.

This issue has never presented a serious problem in the past, and has never been enforced in this way..

Many residents are suffering financially during this crisis, and it is felt that to impose this measure without warning is unreasonable and punitive. Please reconsider these charges, and consider providing signage which clearly indicates the rules.

The source of this problem is the lack of available parking space for residents. Can your wardens therefore direct their attention to the abandoned vehicles and non-resident parking in the forecourt? E.G. by rented vehicles.' *29/11/2020*

useful numbers

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'divine rescue'

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(£65 fine)

Without notice, Southwark have started issuing fines for parking on the yellow lines in front of the pramsheds.
This is highly unusual, if not a first.

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Resident Services Officer. Tel: 0207 525 5179.
efe.urugu@southwark.gov.uk.

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There is clearly a lack of parking space.

To discuss, attend the next Juniper meeting
January 12th. 2021
7.30pm
https://meet.jit.si/JUNIPERMEETINGS

'community rooms may now be opened'

(London Borough of Southwark)

Permissable activities include:

• Education and training.

• Childcare purposes and supervised activities for children.

• Blood donation and food banks.

• To provide medical treatment.

• Face to face support groups with up to 15 participants, within the limitations of the building, and adhering to distancing rules. In our case this limits us to groups of 5 adults maximum.
This includes support to victims of crime, people in drug and alcohol recovery, with long-term illnesses, facing issues relating to their sexuality or gender, the bereaved, vulnerable young people, and new parents and guardians.

• Parent and child groups can continue where they provide support to parent and/or child, and children under 5.

All of these activities are on condition that TRAs follow the council's re-opening process which includes producing detailed Covid Risk Assessments in agreement with the Council.

LBS staff will need to visit to assess the suitability of the venue.

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So it's now up to us to decide what we want to use our community space for, and to complete the red tape needed. Otherwise, we are squandering a precious resource when we need it most. One we may need even more over the next year. Please come to the meeting next Tuesday to volunteer at this difficult time.

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holiday events!

MountView Theatre Peckham
Hamlet
9-29 December.
Shakespeare's blood-drenched reworking of the *Lion King* with an all female cast. (not suitable for children).
www.mountview.org.uk/whats-on/show/hamlet/

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The Unicorn Theatre
until February 21
Dramatised readings online of Philip Pullman's adaptation of **Grimms' Tales.** Scary.
www.unicorntheatre.com/whatson

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The Scottish Ballet
The Secret Theatre
21 December - **24 December**
The worlds of the Snow Queen and the Sugar Plum Fairy collide when the theatre bursts into life. An extraordinary show filled with acrobats, snowflakes, clowns, princes and beautiful ballerinas.
https://www.scottishballet.co.uk/event/the-secret-theatre

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The Barbican
We Cover The Universe
10—20 December
Interactive creative show for under-5s. Poetry, drawing and gentle play.
www.barbican.org.uk/whats-on/2020/event/akin-we-cover-the-universe

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The Albany Empire, Deptford
'Dear Santa' LIVE!
8th and 9th December 1.30pm
£15
An ideal introduction to theatre for those aged 2+.
Every child receives a gift!
'A magical family treat and a joy to watch.' – Mumsnet
'Had my 4-year-old captivated from start to finish!' – Time for Tots
www.albanytheatre.co.uk/shows/dear-santa-2020/

Book well in advance online for free tickets.

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bike-hutch consulation form

Which arrived today through your letterbox. There are only 12 spaces available. First come first served.
Please respond even if you disgree.
Yes, the freepost envelop is a bit fiddly. At least it shows they don't waste money.

Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association
Meeting #35
7.30pm • Tuesday • 24th November
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AGENDA

1) Approval of Minute

2) Apologies for Absence

3) Matters Arising from Minutes.

4) Financial Report.

5) Building & Maintenance.

6) Social Report.
a) Midwinter holiday event ideas
b) Community Room re-opening requirements.

7) Garden and Ball-court.

8) Other Business.

9) Date of Next Meeting.

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All Residents Welcome

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please contact flat 32 with comments or proposals.

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DON'T BE ISOLATED

***Juniper Meetings* is also available for private informal group chats, as an easy, secure alternative to Zoom and Facebook.**
Just email the link above to your group, and give them a time and date.
None of that tiresome and privacy-invading registration. One click and you're gossiping over your virtual garden wall.

Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association Meeting #34

20/10/2020 • 7.30pm • https://meet.jit.si/JUNIPERMEETINGS.

1. Present
Coralie Allison. (Treasurer) Tim Burrow. Shanique Campbell. Rob Kenyon (Secretary). Lloyd Trott (External Relations) Jackie Wilford (Chair).

2. Approval of Minutes.
The minutes of the AGM on 20/09/2020 were approved.

3. Matters Arising.
The secretary explained that the minutes of the AGM were approved executively on September 24th by the treasurer, secretary and chair without calling a meeting in order to make them available for the imminent LBS grant application. This decision was approved by the meeting, and it was suggested that the 2021 AGM be scheduled earlier in the year to avoid the same problem.
Secretary to check if grant form specifically requires AGM minutes.

4. Finance.
a) Changing Cheque Signatories. On enquiry, Tim reported that Metro Bank's process for changing a signatory involves a personal appearance at a branch by all involved. This was felt to be completely unreasonable, especially at this time. Tim to contact Metro business officer and argue for more cooperation.
Proposal:

> 'This meeting authorises the appointment of elected Treasurer Coralie Allison (16 Juniper House) as co-signatory of the Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association Metro-bank account, replacing Tim Burrow'
> **Proposed**: Tim Burrow. Seconded: Lloyd Trott.
> **Passed** Unanimously (1 Abstention)

b) Tim to submit 2020 accounts to Southwark Group of Tenants Organisation for final approval.
c) Tim reported that Metro has a deposit account we could use to ring-fence the Legacy Fund.
Will circulate details by email.
d) Tim reported that LBS have paid the Resident Participation Grant into our account (£1800).
e) The Field have not yet cashed the 2 donations made by Juniper TRA (£400 in total). Tim and Jaki to investigate.

5. Building & Maintenance.
a) Leaks. Flooding due to serious failure of kitchen/bathroom drainage pipe from flat 42 in front service cabinet. All 3 flats below flooded. (37, 32, 27) Emergency Services failed to meet its obligations and did not take remedial action for 5 days.
Service pipes in cabinets are in generally poor condition, suggesting that the problem may well be widespread. LBS need to take serious action to avoid similar inconvenience in future.
b) 2nd floor Interior Damp from Balconies above.
Flat 13 had to resort to LBS Complaints Team to get action. Two other flats (14 and 61) report similar interior damp problems in rooms adjacent to uncovered balconies above. Chris Ayton (LBS contracts manager) claimed that there was no visible sign of damage. We therefore have to prove our case. All residents urged to report seepage to Efe Urubusi at Local Area Management team.
c) Interior Leak from Roof. Flat 16 reported continued seepage down bathroom pipes from flat 21 above. Independent plumbers brought in by leaseholder of 21 have identified leakage from roof, which is therefore LBS responsibility. LBS have not responded so far.
d) Interior leak from Roof (2). Flat 46 has reported a return of leakage from the roof after recent heavy rain. This long standing issue was thought to have been resolved.
New report to LBS.
e) Staircase lighting failure. The lights on the staircase for flats 54-75 and related walkways are regularly failing.
Residents urged to report en-masse to LBS. Secretary to report to LBS.

6. Social Report
Rhiannon (flat 7) to be contacted with a view to holding a drama workshop for Juniper kids. Coralie available during half-term.
Tim to source local events and circulate for Newsletter promotion. Shanique to investigate activities for children.

7. Garden
LBS Tree crew came and coppiced the 6 feral Cherries in the Hazel wood. This will allow more light to the space, creating a more diverse range of plants, and allowing the Hazels at the border to reach maturity. As the Cherries re-grow, they will provide stakes and timber for fencing.

8. Any Other Business
New printer cartridge required, but prices for original makers' cartridges have increased suddenly by over 15%.
'Cartridge People' own-brand compatible items to be bought instead, if guaranteed recyclable.

9. Next Meeting. 7.30pm. 24/11/2020.
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THE PECKHAM PANTRY

Peckham Pantry is a membership scheme that will make your money go further. For a small weekly subscription of £4.50, members will be able to buy £15 worth of food - including fresh fruit and veg and store favourites. Based at St. Luke's Church, the Peckham Pantry is a joint initiative between St. Luke's, Pecan and Your Local Pantry.

We aim to: Reduce bills • Provide relevant advice and support • Run a Credit Union savings scheme • Encourage community involvement.

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Location: St Luke's Church, Chandler Way, SE15 6DT
Open: Wednesdays from 10am - 3pm

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For further information - or on volunteering - please contact Temi Okudiya:
pantry@pecan.org.uk or 020 7732 0007
www.pecan.org.uk/peckham-pantry

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SCAFFOLDING SECURITY

People have been seen climbing the scaffolding near flat 1 at night.

Please report any further sightings immediately to 999

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BIKE-HUTCH CONSULATION COMING SOON

Please respond to the documents arriving in the next few days.

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FOOTBALL

Peckham Town FC. Home games 2:45pm on Saturdays at:
37 Dulwich Common, Dulwich, London SE21 7EU. £3 entry
www.peckhamtownfootballclub.com
Dulwich Hamlet FC Women. Home games 2pm on Sundays at:
Champion Hill, London SE22 8BD. £4 entry.
www.pitchero.com/clubs/dulwichhamlet/teams/230473/fixtures-results

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'DIVINE RESCUE'

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BALLCOURT CLOSURE

'This facility must not be used from 5 Nov, due to the government's new Covid-19 restrictions'.
(*London Borough of Southwark)*
For other new government restrictions applicable from today see:
www.gov.uk/guidance/new-national-restrictions-from-5-november

HERE WE GO AGAIN

"From midnight on **Friday 16th October**, the whole of London will move to **Level Two: High Restrictions**, which means we must all follow extra rules to help stop the spread of COVID-19.

Rates have been rising rapidly in Southwark and across London. We need to act now to help save lives and livelihoods.

The new Level 2

High restrictions for London mean:

• households must not mix indoors, both in private homes and in places like restaurants, cafes, pubs etc.

• There are exemptions for some people who provide care to children or vulnerable adults, and religious worship services can still go ahead, subject to existing rules.

More details on the new rules and exemptions are available at: "
www.gov.uk/guidance/local-covid-alert-level-

Cllr Kieron Williams
Leader of Southwark Council.
Date: 15 October 2020

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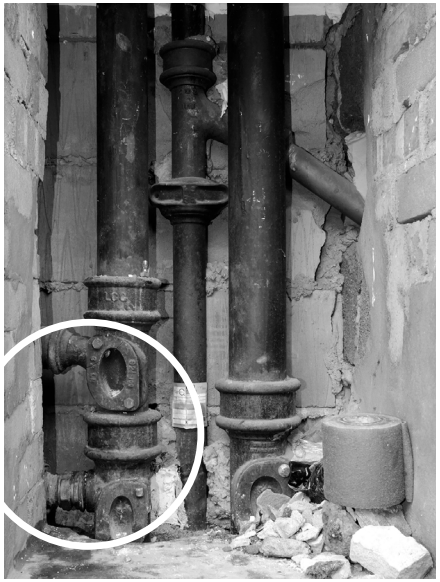
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A NEW KIND OF DAMP



Can residents please check the metal cabinets on the walkways (underneath bathroom windows) for signs of leakage.

Some pipes from the kitchens and bathrooms are corroding badly.

One pipe failed spectacularly last weekend and flooded the three flats beneath down to the ground floor. Water would still be pouring if the family at the source of the leak had not taken the decision to do without their bathroom and kitchen in order to prevent inconvenience to neighbours - at huge inconvenience to themselves.

On inspection, the fault proved to be a severely corroded waste-pipe in the walkway access-cabinet. There was a rupture along the length of the underside of the exposed pipe, which was paper-thin and crumbling to the touch.

The fault was clearly not the result of accidental fracture, or negligent installation, but long term corrosion. The other pipes and fittings in the cabinet also showed signs of their age and lack of maintenance.

It is highly likely that this kind of problem will recurr elsewhere on the block, and clear that a complete survey of all pipework inspection-cabinets should be made as soon as possible with a view to wholesale maintenance.

'Hello, Emergency Services Speaking - Wait 5 days.'

This case also raised serious questions about Southwark's **'Emergency Repairs'** service, which took from Sunday afternoon to Thursday afternoon to take decisive action; and about LBS departments which repeatedly mislaid fault reports from 3 seperate flats, and which continually and blatantly passed the case between each other and round again in a contemptuous circle.

Please report constant damp in the cabinets to:
efe.urubusi@southwark.gove.uk

IF YOU CAN'T PAY BILLS BECAUSE OF COVID19

(Citizen's Advice Bureau)

www.citizensadvice.org.uk

/debt-and-money/if-you-cant-pay-your-bills-because-of-coronavirus/

You might be able to claim extra help if:

• you have coronavirus, or you're following guidance to stay at home
• you've lost your job or you're self-employed and can't get work
• you can't work because your workplace has closed.

free school meals

If you have children and you get certain benefits, you might be able to get free school meals for your children.
www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

living costs

Southgwark Council can give extra help from a hardship fund, including food or essential things like clothes. **www.southwark.gov.uk**

You might be able to get help with your living costs even if your visa says 'No public funds' or if you're not allowed to be in the UK.
You can still get help if either:
• you have a child who needs help
• you have a medical condition and you need someone to look after you.

council tax

You might qualify for a council tax reduction if your income has dropped or if you started claiming benefits recently. Contact Southwark.
If you don't think you qualify, it's still worth asking for a council tax reduction – they might let you pay less or over a longer time.
www.southwark.gov.uk

Most organisations should be able to help you by:

• reducing your payments • giving you more time to pay • keeping you connected to their service - for example your energy, phone or internet.

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• **South East London Community Energy** can give you free impartial advice on saving energy.
Call **0808 169 1779** or email **energy.advice@selce.org.uk**

• Banks are also more lenient during coronavirus and should agree not to charge interest on £500 overdrafts for 3 months. Explain your situation and see what they can offer.

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No data-sharing with Facebook etc.]

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COUNCIL CORONAVIRUS SUPPORT

If you know of a vulnerable Southwark resident who may not have contacts who can help deliver essential supplies, please let the council know so they can organise support:

Email: covidsupport@southwark.gov.uk.

Phone: 0207 525 5000 and choose option 3.

Or complete an online referral form :

www.southwark.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/for-the-public/coronavirus/tell-us-if-you-know-someone-who-needs-help

Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association • Annual General Meeting 5

20/09/2020 • 3pm • https://meet.jit.si/JUNIPERMEETINGS.

Present: Coralie Allison. Tim Burrow (Treasurer). Rob Kenyon (Secretary). Cherrie Stevens (Vice Chair). Lloyd Trott (External Relations) Jackie Wilford (Chair).

1) Approval of Minutes The minutes of the last AGM were approved as an accurate record.

2) Presentation of the Accounts
a) Expenditure .
Tim presented the draft Accounts for the TRA Financial Year (AGM 2019 - AGM 2020). **Approved unanimously.**
These indicated a sum of £919.87 remaining for TRA general spending.
The total Legacy is £30,901.65. This sum is not available for routine TRA costs, or projects which do not qualify under our agreement with LBS.
c) Budget 2020/21 Proposal.
The TRA has been informed it is not eligible for the usual LBS grant due to the Legacy Fund, it is advisable we therefore seek alternative funding to maintain our current activities. To this end:
'*This meeting approves the proposed 2020/21 budget below, and application for London Borough of Southwark 'Getting Involved Grant' to cover costs for that period*.'
Proposed: Jackie Wilford (Chair). Seconded: Coralie Allison. Passed Unanimously.

JUNIPER TRA BUDGET 2020-21

ITEM	SUPPLIER	COST inc VAT
Insurance	Zurich Ltd	£99.31
HP 80A Toner Cartridge	Staples	£61.90
Whitebox 2,500 A4 Paper	Staples	£49.99
Postage & Sundries		£15.00
4 colour Newsletters/yr @ £31.55	Solpress	£126.20
Washable Face Masks (10)	Solopress	£47.26
Covid19 Signage 5 x A3	Solopress	£33.90
Hand Sanitiser Station x 2	Solopress	£106.52
Yellow Road Line Paint - 5 Ltrs	Paints4Trade	£43.99
Yellow Road Line Paint - 5 Ltrs	Paints4Trade	£43.99
Blue Road Line Paint - 5 Ltrs	Paints4Trade	£43.99
Brush Cleaner & Thinner - 5 Litrs	Paints4Trade	£23.99
Garage Floor Tiles £4.98 X 64.	DURAMAT	£318.72
Delivery (Zone 1):		£39.96
Total		**£1,054.72**

3a) Secretary's Report. The secretary presented the annual report listing all proposals passed at meetings, and actions taken by the TRA. Approved by the meeting.
3**b) Garden Group.**
i} Reported that a new border had been cultivated near flat 53, and should be interesting next year.
ii) The coppicing work authorised at the last meeting has now been added to LBS list for October, and will not cost the TRA anything.
iii) The recent tree surgery by LBS did not impress the group. LBS Arboreal Officer to be informed of shortcomings.

4) 'Cleaner Greener' Grant Application Progress
Cycle Shack survey was undertaken by LBS and various sites indentified. No feedback recieved yet. • Drinking Fountains are being severely re-assessed in the light of Covid19. Relevant LBS officers to be contacted ASAP.
• Lloyd sought clarification on the process for assessing GIG applications. Guidelines to be forwarded.

5) Resignation/Election of Officers
All officers formally resigned, and Cherrie Stevens temporarily assumed the Chair from the floor, with no voting rights. Nominees did not vote for themselves.
Chair. J. Wilford. Nominated: C. Allison. Seconded: R. Kenyon. For 4. Abst. 2.
Treasurer. C. Allison. Nominated: R. Kenyon. Seconded: L. Trott. For 4. Abst. 2.
Vice Chair. C. Stevens. Nominated R. Kenyon. Seconded: L. Trott. For 4. Abst. 2.
Secretary. R. Kenyon. Nominated: L. Trott. Seconded: J.Wilford. For 4. Abst.. 2.
External Relations. L. Trott. Nominated: J. Wilford. Seconded: R. Kenyon. For 4. Abst. 2
Lloyd offered a vote of thanks to Tim for his invaluable efforts on behalf of the TRA over the past 5 years. Approved Unanimously. (1 Abstention)

6) Appointment of Auditors.
Proposal: Southwark Group of Tenants Organisation to be appointed auditors for 2020/2021.
Proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded: Tim Burrow. Approved Unanimously

7) Any Other Business.
Lloyd suggested that we might make contact with 'The Pomeroy' when it has occupants, and with Harriet Court. Possibly via special newsletter edition.

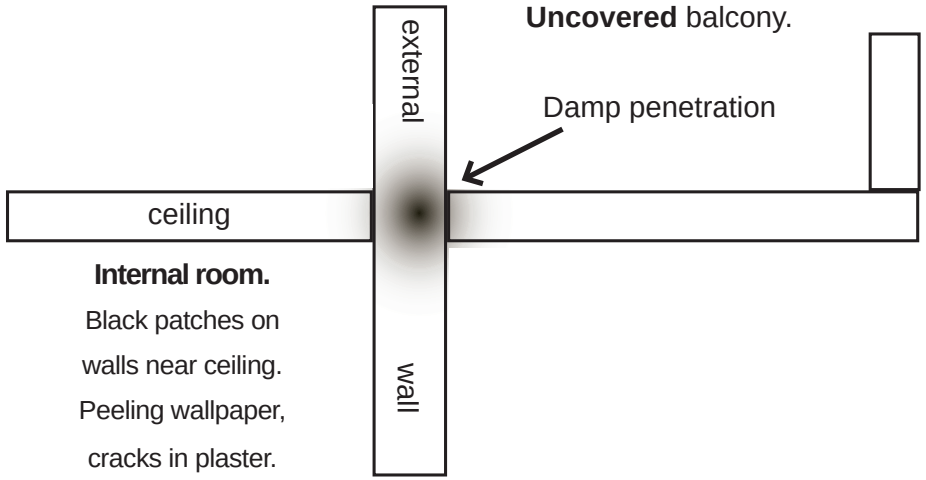
8) 2020/21 Meeting Schedule. Third Tuesday on alternate months from: **Tuesday 20th October. 7.30pm**. presumably at: https://meet.jit.si/JUNIPERMEETINGS

Budget Proposal News (2c above)

When the proposal above was voted on, we were acting on LBS advice that Juniper TRA was ineligble for our usual grant because we had too much money, and to apply for a 'Gettting Involved Grant' ('GIG') instead.

Since the meeting, we have been informed by LBS Tenants Grants Officer Maurizio D'Antona that we *can* in fact claim the standard 'Resident Participation Grant', and have done so.

DAMP ALERT



Several cases of damp have been reported which appear to be related penetration from uncovered balconies or walkways above.
This could be a failure of the recent Major Repairs, so it is important that all cases are reported early.
Please check and report to: **Chris.Ayton@southwark.gov.uk**

Flats particularly at risk:

(2nd floor back bedrooms and living rooms)
11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65.

(3rd floor front bedrooms and bathrooms)
16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70.

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www.junipercommunity.wordpress.com/juniper-tra-minutes/
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www.junipercommunity.wordpress.com/community-news/
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www.junipercommunity.wordpress.com/juniper-library/
Plus *much* more.

If you have any contributions or ideas please send to:
sec.junipertra@gmail.com or post to the secretary, flat 32.
Other people do want to hear your stories and opinions.

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SECURE CYCLE-STORAGE

12 new units are to be installed assuming a succesful consultation process, which LBS say will be starting soon.
With any luck we may be equipped by Christmas.
To apply for a unit, please register ***now*** with **Cyclehoop**.
Demand is high.

www.cyclehoop.rentals/ • or Phone: 0208 699 1338

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JUNIPER TENANTS & RESIDENTS

MEETING

7.30pm • Tuesday • 20th October

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All Residents Welcome.

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If you do not have internet access,

please contact flat 32 with comments or proposals.

MINUTES • JUNIPER TRA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

17/10/2019. Flat 30A Juniper House. 7.30pm

Present.
Coralie Allison (16). Tim Burrow - treasurer (13). Rob Kenyon - secretary (32). Jackie Wilford - chair (14). Lloyd Trott – chair (46). Aftab Hussain (70) Cherrie Stevens (39). Louis Rotsos, Martin Kovats (LBS)

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes of the Last AGM. Minutes approved

3) Presentation of the Accounts 2018/19
(Tim)

A) Expenditure:	Garden tables.	£670.00
	Wood preservative.	£54.79
	Insurance.	£99.31
	Colour Newsletter	£25.35
	Balance	**£245.15**

B) 2020 grant appleid for.
C) Copies of 2018/19 accounts to be sent to Louis Rotsos (LBS).
D) Proposal to accept the accounts. Proposed J Wilford. Seconded Tim. Passed unanimously.

4) Annual Reports
Solar Project.
A) Martin Kovats (LBS) updated the meeting on changes to LBS policy. Solar is now only favoured for new-builds and specifically designed projects. Adaptation of existing housing stock is not seen as practical at the moment. None of the other projects in Southwark have progressed either.
Juniper's project was rejected on the grounds of low generation levels and high installation costs.
B) LBS has declared a Climate Emergency, pledging a zero Carbon zone by 2030 which will require a more radical approach than at present.
C) LBS is going to replace estate lighting with LEDs, in order to reduce costs to residents.
D) At present, LBS has very low levels of expertise in managing such projects. In time officers may be appointed who are more experienced with community-led energy initiatives.

Reports

Grant Applications.
The committee submitted 3 applications to the Cleaner Greener Safer Fund. Each approved at TRA meetings.
A) Garden Drinking Fountain. Awaiting survey by Thames Water and LBS.
B) Cycle Shacks. Waiting lists to be opened when grant approved.
C) Forecourt Paint.

Meeting Room
Free cable broadband has been offered to the TRA, but room 30A is in no state for installation.
Matter has been forwarded to LBS to sort out. Waiting for developments.

5) Resignation/Election of Officers
Current officers stood down and Louis assumed the chair.
Elections:
Chair: Jackie Wilford. Proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded Aftab Hussain. Passed Unanimously.
Vice Chair: Cherrie Stevens. Proposed Jackie Wilford. Seconded Lloyd Trott. Passed Unanimously.
Treasurer: Tim Burrow. Proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded Aftab Hussain. Passed Unanimously.
Secretary: Rob Kenyon. Proposed Coralie Allison. Seconded Jackie Wilford. Passed Unanimously.
Area Delegate: Lloyd Trott. Proposed Jackie Wilford. Seconded Aftab Hussain. Passed Unanimously.

Coralie Allison and Aftab Hussain agreed to be re-elected as committee members. Jackie resumed the Chair.

bike-thefts

Sadly, bikes chained up on landings are an invitation to thieves. (They are also a fire hazard not allowed by LBS and London Fire Service.)

To report a crime visit **www.met.police.uk** or call **101**.• Email: **nunhead.snt@met.police.uk**. phone: Nunhead office. **0208 721 2445**

To apply for one of the **12 new secure cycle-hutches** arriving soon please register with **Cyclehoop**.

www.cyclehoop.rentals/ • or Phone: 0208 699 1338

Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association

Annual General Meeting

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AGENDA

1) Approval of Minutes

2) Presentation of the Accounts

a) Expenditure

3) Annual Reports

a) Secretary's Report

b) Garden Group

c) Grant Applications

5) Resignation/Election of Officers

6) Appointment of Auditors

7) Any Other Business

8) 2020/21 Meeting Schedule

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NOTICE

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regular TRA Meeting if time allows.

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Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association

Annual General Meeting

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ODD JOBS

London Borough of Southwark is not responsible for all repairs at Juniper House. The Residents' Agreement says that items like paintwork are the liability of the tenant or leaseholder. To help out with minor works, they have established a **'Handyperson Service'** to do those irritating jobs like re-hanging doors or fittng shelves. There is a charge, but not excessive.

To find out if the **Handypersons Scheme** can help you, contact:
0207 525 1863 or email Handypersons: **handyperson@southwark.gov.uk**

Types of jobs a handyperson can help with
Handypersons can help with small repairs or adaptations.

They can:
Move furniture • hang or take down curtains • tape down carpets and electrical leads • hang light bulbs • put up shelves • re-glaze small windows • change smoke alarm batteries • plumb or un-plumb washing machines • fit internal doors • fit locks and security chains • install smoke alarms...

What a Handyperson can't help with:
Gas servicing• major building work • decorating • gardening.

Please call for clarification if you're uncertain.

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Charges:
Residents on benefits.
If you’re receiving housing benefits, income support, council tax benefits, pension credit, disability living allowance or attendance allowance - **£10 per hour plus material costs.**

if you’re **not** receiving benefits - **£20 per hour plus materials costs.**

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Council Tenants requesting a repair under your tenancy agreement should contact **repairs on 0207 525 2600** or email: **repairs@southwark.gov.uk** or report online at: **www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs.**

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Other help:
Housing adaptations works closely with occupational therapists who assess council tenant needs and recommend adaptations to your home.

The **Home Improvement Agency** (HIA) offers a service to elderly and disabled home owners and private tenants who want to repair or adapt their homes.

www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/support-services/handypersons

JUNIPER HOUSE TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOMINATIONS FORM

FOR THE POSTS OF CHAIR, SECRETARY, TREASURER, VICE-CHAIR AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

I NOMINATE _____ (full name)

of FLAT NO. _____

FOR THE POST OF (tick your choice}**:**
A) CHAIRPERSON.
B) SECRETARY.
C) TREASURER.
D) VICE-CHAIR.
E) MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBER.

PROPOSED BY (print) _____ FLAT NO._____

SIGNED _____ DATE. _____

SECONDED BY (print) _____ FLAT NO._____

SIGNED _____ DATE. _____

2. STATEMENT OF ACCEPTANCE AND INTENT BY NOMINEE

I, _____ (PRINT FULL NAME)

OF_____JUNIPER HOUSE, POMEROY ST. LONDON SE14 5BY

HEREBY STATE MY WILLINGNESS TO STAND FOR ELECTION AND TO UNDERTAKE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ABOVE POST.

SIGNED _____

DATE _____

ONLY 1 (ONE) OFFICER MAY BE ELECTED FROM THE SAME ADDRESS.
ALL NOMINEES PROPOSERS AND SECONDERS MUST BE RESIDENTS OF JUNIPER HOUSE.
ALL COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE RETURNED to FLAT 32 BY 12 pm 19/09/2020.
EXTRA FORMS AVAILABLE FROM FLAT 32 or TO DOWNLOAD FROM THE WEBSITE:

https://junipercommunity.wordpress.com/nomination-forms-for-elected-posts/

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Minutes • Juniper TRA Meeting #32

7.30pm • Tuesday • 28/07/2020 • https://meet.jit.si/JUNIPERMEETINGS

1) Present. Coralie Allison. Tim Burrow. Rob Kenyon Lloyd Trott. Jaki Wilford. No apologies.

2) Approval of Minutes. The minutes of Meeting #31 (30/06/2020) were approved.

3) Matters Arising from Minutes.

a) Lloyd reported that the footsteps in the loft had ceased, and the damp from the roof seemed to be remedied.

b) First impressions are that there had been fewer sightings of loiterers since the dialogue with local police. All residents should report immediately to 101 as a matter of routine. This would greatly help to qualify us for LBS security support such as CCTV or entry-phone systems.

4) Finance.

a) Legacy Fund Options. Thanks to Aft for research into savings bond options. Final decision to be taken after full consultation with LBS.

The secretary reported that LBS Tenant & Homeowner Involvement Team Leader **John McCormack** has clarified the following issues:

i). The £15000 eligibility limit for LBS direct finding still applies. Meaning that our usual maintenance grant is no longer available.

But

ii) We will be able to apply for grants from September to cover our current range of routine expenses. Probably more

iii) We will still be eligible for free accountancy services via LBS.

When he gets back from leave, JM will be discussing with Louis Rotsos our needs for the Legacy Account, and other issues such as CCTV effectiveness, and how Covid 19 might influence earlier TRA spending proposals, and get back to us.

b) Cheque for £200 to *The Field* received with thanks. The organisation is now applying for a £10,000 grant extension. At present, working with *'Pie&Mash'* and *Covid Mutual Aid*, *The Field* is helping to feed approximately 900 local people.

c) Office-invoices for paper, toner and colour newsletters to be forwarded to Tim.

d) Trade accounts. Secretary to unearth application for credit account with **Staples** to assess suitability for our needs.

5) Building & Maintenance

a) Still no response to request for information regarding unsecured scaffolding.

b) LBS supposed to be inspecting damp patches in F13 on 29/07/2020. Flat 14 to be mentioned.

c) Fencing with Astbury Road now complete.

d) John McCormack sees no objection to Juniper independently commissioning tree work.

7) Social Report

a) Chris Campbell of **LBS** visited to inspect site for bike hutches awarded under Cleaner Greener funding. 3 sites gained preference:

i) Gable end of Astbury Road house.

ii) Vacant space next to Coll's Road and electricity sub-station near flat 1.

iii) Concrete area next to Ball-court.

C.C. To get back, and begin full consultation process. Preference for spaces will be given to residents.

b) Lloyd raised the possibility of a larger donation to *The Field*.

During discussion on this issue, the **Chair** became suddenly unconscious on-screen, and the meeting broke up in some disarray while an ambulance was called.

8) Garden & Ball-Court Use. N/A

9) Date of Next Meeting. N/A

u s e f u l n u m b e r s

Emergency repairs (e.g. flooding) Tel: **0800 952 4444** or 0207 525 2600.
Email: repairs@southwark.gov.uk. www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs.
Emergency Number: **07946 220 827.**
Gas leaks: **0800 111 999**.
Electricity: **0800 028 0247**.
Thames Water: **0800 714 614.**
Handyperson Service: call **0207 525 1863**.
Resident Services Officer. Tel: **0207 525 5179**. efe.urugu@southwark.gov.uk.
Home Ownership Unit. Tel: **0207 525 1400.**

Crime. Serious crime or emergency call **999**. For non-serious crime: call **101**.
Or Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**. Nunhead Police. **0208 721 2445**.
Anti-Social Behaviour. **0207 525 5777.**
Covid 19 Support. Nunhead Knocks: 0207 459 4428. www.nunheadknocks.com/help
www.covidmutualaid.org /local-groups/
Domestic Abuse. Contact *SOLACE*. You can call on someone's behalf:
Tel: **0207 593 1290. www.solacewomensaid.org/get-help**
Bike Storage. please register with Cyclehoop. www.cyclehoop.rentals/
Tel: 0208 699 1338.

late-nite washing-machine raves

Please be considerate of neighbours trying to sleep when using washing machines.
The sound of the spin-cycle carries throughout the structure of the building, and does constitute **'anti-social noise'** according to the council.
Please check your immediate neighbours to find out when is the best time for them and you.

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supplementary education in southwark

offering

• Trained tutors to assist with studies.
• Advice on careers and higher education.
• Laptops, revision books, books to borrow and printing services.
• External work-experience where young people can be mentored.
* A service for 7-18 year olds who need support with their studies.
• Quiet study spaces.

The key target-groups are
• Those living in social housing.
• Children receiving free school meals.
• Students whose 1st language is not English (EAL) are have EAL parents
• Provision for students with physical impairment and special educational needs.

telephone: 0207 701 8125
email: walworth@intouniversity.org
www.localoffer.southwark.gov.uk/education/supplementary-education

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complete *moulinette-mini* food-processor

Fully equipped and functional. Cake-lover's dream-toy.

Collect Flat 32.

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to reserve juniper library books

• Make three choices from the full list.
• emailL **sec.junipertra@gmail.com**
• or submit choices in writing to f**lats 32 or 16**, including Flat number.
• The loan will be delivered the following Thursday, and collected in 2 weeks.
• All items will be sterilised and quarantined for 3 days between lendings.

full list at:
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BACK-2-SCHOOL

BBQ

in
The Garden
3pm - Night
Saturday 29th August
All Residents Very Welcome

(Household-Distancing & Masking Please)

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SUMMER ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

This year Southwark's Youth Service summer programme is going online. Join us on Zoom for workshops and activities covering the following subjects and much more:

Sport And Fitness • Art And Design • Black Lives Matter • Self-Care And Mental Healt • Drama And Improvisation • Discussions And Quizzes •

Browse all activities up to 24/08/2020 below.

www.southwark.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/for-the-public/coronavirus/your-stay-at-home-library-of-things-to-do/southwark-youth-activities-2020

To find out more or to book a session, email:
youthserviceinfo@southwark.gov.uk

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All reports of anti-social behaviour to

www.southwark.gov.uk/noise-and-antisocial-behaviour

Telephone: 0207 525 5777

Please Note:

Elected officers of the TRA are not authorised or trained to intervene in disputes between residents.

Should Southwark fail to act on a valid report, the TRA will do everything it can to help, but it would be wrong and damaging if officers were to act on behalf of one resident against another.

For Further adice and information see Tenants Handbook
www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/council-tenants-services/tenants-handbook
('*Respecting Others*')

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SUMMER ACTIVITIES

• **Chatterpack** – Lots of free, online, boredom-busting resources. Learn ten things to say in Spanish, take a virtual tour of Lapland or teach yourself to sing!

• **Southwark eLibrary** and Lambeth eLibrary – Free eBooks, audiobooks, eMagazines, eNewspapers, film streaming and more.

• **The Drawing Room** download activity sheets and join up with artists and families who are creating art in their own homes.

• **Change4Life** – Indoor and outdoor activities to get you and your family moving

• **Makers Guild Digital** – Online art club with weekly videos and tasks to try and hope – always designed so you never need fancy equipment.

• **Home learning resource**s with the Times Educational Supplement – TES have compiled a range of free learning resources and lessons across every subject.

• **Free stage shows**, musicals and pantomimes – updated daily, all the latest shows free to stream from theatres across the country

• **The Literacy Trust** – Activities that will benefit children's writing, reading and language development.

• **BBC Photo Challenge** – Take a photo based on that week's theme with the best published on the BBC website.

• **Disney Dance-Alongs** – This Girl Can and Disney dance along videos based on some favourite Disney songs and films.

• **STEM Home Learning** – Free activities, materials and resources for science, technology, engineering and maths with access to subject matter experts via webchat.

• **Fun with LEGO** – Warren Elsmore guides on how to recreate your own worlds using LEGO. Buckingham Palace or a New York taxi cab.

• **Draw-along videos** for kids of every age!

• **The great outdoors** – how to measure a tree, make a bug hotel, download lesson plans or take a virtual visit to the forest.

• **Train with The Ballet Coach** by English National Ballet School-trained dancer Sarah Du-Feu on YouTube, suitable for all ages.

AND MUCH MORE
links at
www.junipercommunity.wordpress.com/covid-19-activities/
www.coinstreet.org/the-hub/

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Lebanon Aid

Those wishing to help please investigate

Matbakh El Balad
www.daleelthawra.com/about/

An independent organisation seeking to rebuild their country.

Donate via:
www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/impact-lebanon-cook

PLAYGROUND

London Borough of Southwark COVID-19 update

'Please stick to the following rules while using the playground, to help keep yourself and others safe:

• Do not use the playground if you or any of your household are self- isolating or symptomatic
• Only one adult per household at a time and remember to always supervise your children.
• This equipment is not sanitised or disinfected.
• Bring your own hand gel and wipes to clean hands and touch points before and after using the equipment.
• Remember to maintain social distancing and assist your children to do so.
• Allow others to leave the area before you enter to maintain social distancing.
• Follow the public health guidelines for hygiene e.g. washing hands regularly.
• Do not consume food or drink on play equipment or in the playground area
• Please dispose of all litter properly in litter bins - especially protective wear such as masks or gloves. If bins are full, please take home include in domestic landfill refuse. **Disposable face coverings and gloves cannot be recycled.**'

Further advice can be found at **www.gov.uk/coronavirus**

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Beware Balcony BBQ-ers

This danger was flagged in the last newsletter, but sadly needs repeating.

" If you are aware of any of your neighbours holding barbecues on balconies ... do not hesitate to report this to the council."

www.southwark.gov.uk/noise-and-antisocial-behaviour

Telephone: 0207 525 5777

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London Fire Service Advice

• Never use a barbecue indoors or on a balcony.
• Position your barbecue on level ground and keep it well away from anything that may catch fire (sheds, fences, trees, tents etc.)
• Keep children, pets and garden games away from the barbecue
• Have a bucket of water or sand nearby for emergency use.
• Never use a barbecues indoors or in a unventilated space as there is a real risk of creating deadly Carbon Monoxide gas.

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TENANTS & RESIDENTS MEETING

7.30pm • Wednesday • 19th August 2020
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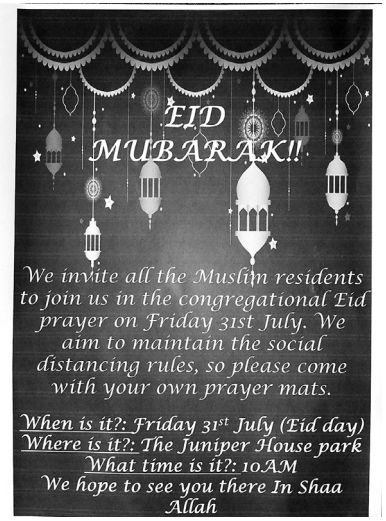
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This meeting will complete the interrupted meeting of July 28th and set a date for the 2020 Annual General Meeting. Agenda to follow.

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Belated Eid Mubarak!!

Thanks to everyone involved for such an expression of confidence in the community.

Anyone at Juniper witnessing the simple dignity of the service would have felt the honour of being chosen to host it in our garden.

Minutes • Juniper TRA Meeting #31 • 7.30pm • Tuesday • 30/06/2020

https://meet.jit.si/JUNIPERMEETINGS

1) Present. Jaki Wilford, Lloyd Trott, Coralie Allison, Rob Kenyon. No apologies.

2) Approval of Minutes. Minutes of the meeting 09/06/2020 approved.

3) Matters Arising from Minutes.

a) Library. No requests for books as yet, and LBS are still opposed to any use of the studio as a library. Any loans will therefore have to be included in the Thursday night grocery deliveries.

Coralie pointed out that bookshops were open, and suggested we demand that LBS reconsider after the July 4 pub re-opening.

To break the ice, a selection of books to be offered to selected families.

RK & CA to liaise.

The library will need a suply of *Librafilm* if it succeeds.

3) Financial Report. Treasurer absent (Tim)

a) 'We Support Housing' to be contacted professionally for advice on management of Juniper Legacy Fund.

4) Building & Maintenance.

a) Leak from loft overflow above flats 73/68/63/58/53 reported. No action as yet by LBS.

b) Insecure fencing. LBS still not prepared to repair damaged fencing near entrance gate or fill gap in existing fence on boundary wall with Astbury Road.

LBS Handyperson Department to be contacted to quote for emergency work.

Permission to be sought from LBS for work to commence, and full recompense to be sought from LBS for filling their budget gap.

c) Roof. Lloyd reported that recent repair has survived the recent wet weather.

There had subsequently been footsteps in the loft. LBS to be urged to inform residents when work is taking place in the loft-space.

5) Social Report.

a) Juniper currently distributing groceries to several households via *'Pie&Mash@The Field'* in Queen's Road. In the light of this support to Juniper residents over the last 3 months, and because the orginal project funding has almost run out:

'**The meeting agreed to donate £200 from TRA funds to further food distribution work by *Pie&Mash@The Field*. Cheque payable to '*The Field*.'**

Proposed: Lloyd Trott. Seconded Coralie Allison.

Voted: 3 for – 1 abstention (Jaki Wilford, for long-standing link to The Field)

6) Garden Report.

a) Border of flat 53 cleared and ready for plant donations.

b) Autumn Coppicing. Must be commissioned now since there has been no response from LBS or serious hope of help with this work. 3 new quotes to be sourced.

Possibles: London Wildlife Trust, 'Trees for the City' Ruskin Park, Trust for Urban Ecology.

c) Grass. Coralie attended online conference with an LBS councillor who was very keen on creating wildlife grasslands.

CA to contact for advice or possible visit.

Gardening Day. 11/07/2020.

7) Other Business. The secretary reported that all minutes, newsletters and other archives were kept updated on the website.

(www.junipercommunity.wordpress.com)

8) Date of Next Meeting. 7.30 pm. 28/07/2020.

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Emergency repairs (e.g. flooding) Tel: 0800 952 4444 or 0207 525 2600.

Email: repairs@southwark.gov.uk. www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs.

Emergency Number: 07946 220 827.

Gas leaks: 0800 111 999.

Electricity: 0800 028 0247.

Thames Water: 0800 714 614.

Handypersons: call 0207 525 1863.

Resident Services Officer. Tel: 0207 525 5179. efe.urugu@southwark.gov.uk.

Complaints. email: complaints@southwark.gov.uk.

Home Ownership Unit. Tel: 0207 525 1400.

Crime. Serious crime or emergency call **999**. For non-serious crime: call **101**.

Or Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**. Nunhead Police. **0208 721 2445**.

Anti-Social Behaviour. **0207 525 5777.**

Covid 19 Support. Nunhead Knocks: 0207 459 4428. www.nunheadknocks.com/help

www.covidmutualaid.org /local-groups/

Domestic Abuse. Contact *SOLACE*. You can call on someone's behalf:

Tel: **0207 593 1290. www.solacewomensaid.org/get-help**

Bike Storage. please register with Cyclehoop. www.cyclehoop.rentals/

Tel: 0208 699 1338.

Cleaning Team Leader: 0207 525 3826.

update on playgrounds

In line with government guidance, LBS started opening playgrounds and sports courts from 4 July.

We were waiting for clear guidance about when and how to open ours, when suddenly, sometime on Thursday or Friday July 9/10th, the court was opened without the knowledge of the TRA, and the padlocks were missing.
Southwark denies any responsibility, and all the spare keys are accounted for. If anyone can help solve this mystery, please contact: sec.junipertra@gmail.com.

Please use the court responsibly – keep your distance from others and wash your hands before and after use. If it is crowded please come back later. Read the LBS rules posted on the gates.

The court will be secured again soon, and a proper system of booking is to be discussed at the ***next meeting on 28th July.***

money worries

After consulting LBS and 'We Support Housing', there seems to be three general choices for our Reserve Fund of £30,000.

1. Place it in an ordinary instant access current account with a High Street bank or local Credit Union.
2. Invest in a medium-return secure bond or trust.
3. Place with LBS for safe-keeping under a legal agreement to return on demand.

To find out more and decide what we do, please attend the meeting on July 28th. (details front page.)

garden

• **Plant Donations.** There is still room in the new sunny border for certain flowering plants and for vegetables. Any spares please contact flat 32.
• **Event Rubbish.** It is great to see the garden being used so much, but the single garden bin is now filled almost every day with empty Champagne bottles and beer cans.
To distribute the load, please sort and bag-up all personal refuse as much as possible, and recycle in the large bins near the entrance and exit.

bike-shacks

Location and allocation of new bike storage to be discussed at TRA meeting.

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bike theft

Kids' bike (grey). Stolen on Thursday night 16th July.
Any information please contact: sec.junipertra@gmail.com.

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summer safety

Last May, it took twelve fire engines and eighty fire-fighters nearly three hours to douse a fire in Deptford caused by a **'home barbecue'** on the balcony of a block of flats. Most of the roof was severely damaged, and it was a miracle nobody was seriously hurt or worse. Several households were made homeless.
Barbecues anywhere near the building are not only dangerous, but unpleasant for uninvited neighbours within reach of the inevitable smoke.
They are banned in Southwark parks, and are also condemned by the London Borough of Southwark's Tenancy Agreement and London Fire Service:

"BBQs present a serious fire risk and should not be used on balconies. The council prohibits barbecues on balconies or common parts in our tenancy agreement because of the potential risk of fire. If you are aware of any of your neighbours holding barbecues on balconies or in any part of the building which is unsuitable then please do not hesitate to report this to the council."

https://www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/safety-in-the-home/fire-safety-information-for-residents-following-the-grenfell-tower-tragedy?chapter=2

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The only truly 'suitable' space for a barbecue at Juniper is on the concrete paving in front of the lampost, away from overhanging branches.
Juniper House TRA cannot accept any reponsibility for breaches in Safety by residents.

juniper house meeting

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All Residents Welcome.

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If you do not have internet access, please provide any questions, or other statements, in writing to flat 32.

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CONSERVATION GROUP
GARDEN GROUP
BANK ACCOUNT
HAZEL TREES PLANTED
MEETING ROOM OPEN
MAJOR WORKS BEGIN
SOLAR PROJECT GROUP
ACTION TO DISSOLVE COOP
MAJOR WORKS END
SOLAR PROJECT REFUSED
GARDEN FURNITURE
FREE FIBRE BROADBAND & WIFI
GRANTS FOR GARDEN
COOP DISSOLVED
FUNDS TRANSFERRED
LOCKDOWN



poster of the week

thanks

As a person who has had to remain in Lockdown for 3 months, I would like to thank **Pie and Mash Mutual Aid @ The Field** in Queen's Road for my Thursday night food deliveries. This service has been invaluable to many in the area.
It seems that the original grant is now running low, and further crowd-funding is needed to carry on the good work.
contact:
telephone: 0785 702 4435
email: piemashfield@riseup.net.

A Grateful Resident

more photos and more

There are 100's of images of Juniper House at our website:

https://junipercommunity.wordpress.com/photos/

winds of change

Thanks to Covid19 for a timely discovery. One of the donations to the new library was the ***Eagle Annual volume 9***, a new kind of magazine from way back in 1959. Boys of that vintage will remember *The Eagle* as the embodiment of post-war modernity and style; with its striking A4 scarlet and black graphic cover and high-quality colour printing.

The detailed instructions of how to build a rocket launch-pad, tales of lost worlds and extinct monsters, and constant fantasies about the future were intended as an antidote to the power-worshipping post-war 'Yank-Mags' in which every problem was solved by brute force or magic. *The Eagle* was educational entertainment packed with history, technology and science.

And yet even this emblem of change still clung to the habit of glorifying the criminals of Empire, for on pages 93-7 is a glowing bio-cartoon of none other than the infamous warmonger Cecil Rhodes, complete with heart-rending death-bed scene and the last words *"So much to do - so little done."* Plus (literally) incredible tributes from the people he oppressed.

1959 may seem a long time ago, but the point is that it is within the lifetime of many people still alive who may therefore have passed on their misconceptions to a younger generation. And as we have seen, the same mistakes are still being made now.

The Rhodes memorial is to be removed from its plinth in Oxford this month. The question for us is, do we keep this volume of a vintage boys' magazine in our library?

It will certainly guarantee straight-A's if used as project source-material.

Rob Kenyon (secretary)



juniper library

There has been an immediate flood of anonymous responses to the appeal for books in the last newsletter. Thanks to everyone. The Juniper Library now has enough stock to launch - as soon as we get permission from Southwark.

- All items will be sterilised and quarantined for 3 days between lendings.
- All items can be delivered.
- A full catalogue will be distributed to all households.

As a result of this appeal, there have been offers to set up workshops by experienced storytellers. Watch this space for further information.

The catalogue includes at present classics such as 'Wind in the Willows', 'Peter Pan', 'Moomin, Mymble and Little My', and 'David Copperfield'. Plus Poetry, Picture Books and encyclopaedias. More contributions always welcome.

ball-court opening

As soon as the Council gives us permission, the ball-court will be re-opened for use to individual Juniper Households by the following system.

1. Application forms will be distributed to all households with a list of available time-slots.
2. Returned applications will be logged both electronically and as hard copy by management.
3. Named keyholders will manage the handover of the space, and cleansing of surfaces likely to be touched. (goal-posts/door-handles etc). All bookings will be notified of need to wash hands after use.
4. Bookings will be initially a single 1 hour slot, for maximum group of 6.
5. The system will be reviewed after 1 month.

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BLACK LIVES MATTER

(stay safe)

and the next item is..

When Juniper became a Tenants & Residents Association five years ago on June 25th 2015, I allowed myself to be elected Chair. Initially, I wasn't very confident, but was lucky in having a lot of help from a supportive community. And soon, the job became not just a duty but a pleasure.

Making things work is fun - like the succesful bids for bike-sheds and drinking fountains. On the other hand, watching projects blocked by short-sighted bureacracy is disappointing - as with the solar PV project. But either way, both experiences feel more alive than doing nothing and complaining about it.

An organisation like Juniper is always trying to discover what a community *means*, mostly by a process of trial and error. It is designed to try and bring people together. Covid19 was designed to keep us apart. And yet, on the first NHS Balcony night (March 26th), joining in with my neighbour Mrs Yusuff setting the rhythm on her drum, I heard a whole community acting together for the first time in over 5 years. Nobody could have felt 'apart' on those nights.

The next five years will hopefully see more fun and fewer disappointments, but only if we can keep some of the commitment we displayed when we applauded our Front Line workers. Covid19 has destroyed too many lives and hopes to be allowed to get off scot-free. The best way to get our own back is to replace some of the dead hopes with new ones, and make them real. Otherwise the virus will have won.

Jaki Wilford. (Chair. Juniper TRA)

open letter to southwark council

Southwark has declared a 'Climate Emergency', but what is it going to do in practice? Especially at Juniper House. For instance, how are they going to ensure effective recycling? The current system does not work, with unsuitable material such as food-waste contaminating clean waste, making it unusable.

We need a clearer labelling system, with more information on what to do with the bulk refuse cluttering the estate.

Also, how is the LBS practice of mowing the grass (with a **petrol-driven** mower) before wild flowers set seed compatible with their declared ecological aims?

Leading naturalists are agreed that allowing grass to grow for the benefit of insects would be one of the most effective methods of saving Britain's ecology. And it is one which we could implement ourselves - with a little cooperation with LBS.

Pollenating insects benefit us all. Bees are in particular danger of extinction in the wild. This would be a catastrophe, and every contribution we can make would help avert it.

Allowing the grass to grow until most seeds had set in July would provide more food for insects and generate a second display which would then be cut in September.

I agree that there needs to be an agreed area of short grass for general purposes. But I would suggest that LBS invest in alternatives to fossil-fuel driven mowers.

Alternatively, there are enough residents prepared to undertake routine mowing by mechanical means. The Juniper Garden Group could in theory oversee the lawn maintenance. The objective being to reduce the carbon emissions in line with LBS targets set in 2018, and encourage ecological diversity.

When I was a little girl, I played regularly in the flower meadows on the banks of the Kennet and Avon Canal. I learned a lot about wildlife, survived to be 68, and had 2 healthy children now in their 30's.
Never did me any harm.

A Concerned Resident



big book appeal

Some children have finished reading all the books they have, and are naturally finding it difficult to get replacements. To help address that problem, Southwark has given us permission to start an estate library - with all due precautions.
Books will be sterilised, and quarantined for 3 days before being lent out from flat 30A (Juniper HQ).

But first we need the stock. So:

if you have any spare books, especially for children, please bring to flat 32 or flat 16

juniper reception area

We now have a very inviting blank space at the entrance to the block. And since anything is better than how it looked before, we could give it a new look whenever we want.

If you have any design suggestions, please email:

sec.junipertra@gmail.com, or deliver to **Flat 32.**

Or present to the next meeting:

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schmaltz

Magic Chicken-Soup Cure-all.
Recipe by BEeKIND
(vegetarian version - replace chicken with stewing veg such as squash, plus mushrooms.)

Add a tablepoon of oil to your biggest pot.
Dice and add 3 celery stalks, 2 onions, 3 crushed garlic cloves. Plus a teaspoon of Thyme (fresh or dried)
Fry gently until soft.. (8 mins approx)

Add
4 chopped carrots, 1 chopped and seeded red pepper, 4 x large cubed potatoes, and 1 sliced leek. Add a little more thyme.

Stock
Add to a large jug of boiling water..
2 Veg stock pot, 1 Chicken stock pot.
Add a tea spoon of paprika (even better smoked paprika). Salt & pepper, to taste. Whisk together and pour over veg.
Top up with water until veg is covered

Add
2 diced/shredded chicken breasts - or left-over chicken carcase.
Simmer slowly for 45 mins. (The longer the simmer the tastier the soup.)
Stir every 15 minutes. Top up with a little water (or wine) as the soup reduces.
Serve with crusty bread and butter.
Serves 4-6 large helpings. Suitable for home freezing. Half ingredients for 2/3 large servings.

Add your favourite flavours and make it your own.

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5 years

When the Juniper Tenants & Residents Association was formed in June 2015, there were still genuine fears that the block was in danger of demolition. The same was true in 1978 when Juniper was a wreck, with much of the plumbing and cabling stripped, people living in the roof, and Juniper Coop was founded to reclaim the block for public housing.

Now, the future of the building is secure, the Coop is dissolved, and we have £30,000 in the bank to spend on community projects - but infuriatingly, have no way of doing so at the moment. *Plus* our lives are disrupted by a global problem we've never faced before.

It stands to reason a journey like that means there are many untold personal stories which are worth sharing, from new and long-term residents alike.

tell your story

If anyone would like to contribute any words or photos to the luxury **100th edition** of the Newsletter, please deliver by 20/06/2020.

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Juniper TRA Meeting #31

7.30pm • Tuesday • 30/06/2020

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Repairs Coordinator:
Justin Hall: 0207 525 3705.
Repairs Manager, Gary Glover: 020 7525 3093.
Cleaning Team Leader
Raymond 0207 525 3826
Resident Services Officer
efe.urugu@southwark.gov.uk. tel: 020 7525 5179
LBS Contract manager:
chris.ayton@southwark.gov.uk

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If you witness a non-serious crime: call **101**.
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Anti-Social Behaviour. **020 7525 5777** (24 hrs)

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Tel: 0207 525 1400.

Covid 19 Support
Nunhead Knocks helpline: **0207 459 4428.**
online: www.nunheadknocks.com/help
www.covidmutualaid.org /local-groups/
Facebook Group
www.facebook.com/groups/833177740485170/

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unlocking?

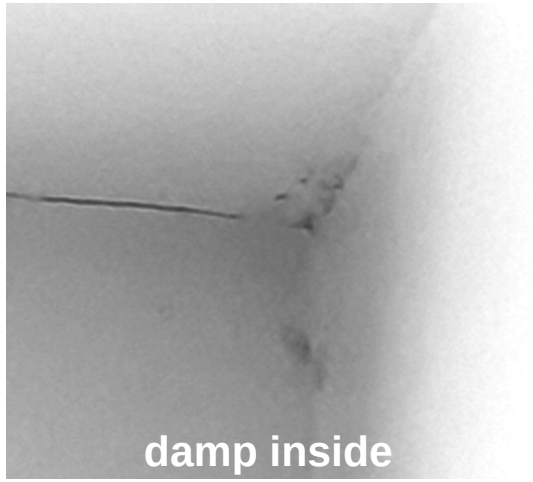
Brimmington Park is now open. So the question for us is do we want to follow Southwark's example and open our ball-court again? The scenes from the park were not reassuring, with too many people taking too many chances by breaching social distancing and not wearing masks.
LBS were asked 2 weeks ago if it would be acceptable for us to open the Juniper court to households only, with advance booking of time-slots.
So far they have not responded, but their action in re-opening Brimmington suggests that we can do what we want.
Please attend the online meeting to discuss.
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LBS: plant pots

'1. Plant pots cannot be put in the clear space of an escape route on walkways.
2. The container should be non-flammable.
3. The planter and the plant must be stable.
4. Artificial plants or flowers are not allowed.'

balcony seepage





The plants growing at the base of this balcony - in a drought - are clear evidence of water penetrating into the brickwork from the balcony above causing damp inside.

Cracks and discolouration at the relevant sites have been reported in the flat below. And there are identical reports from at least 5 flats, in rooms under **exposed balconies** (2nd floor) or walkways (3rd floor). There are therefore serious questions about the Major Works of two years ago, and urgent work is clearly needed before the Autumn rains.

Southwark have offered reassurance that:

" ... when we are all out of lockdown, the contractors will arrange inspections to check all affected areas/dwellings.
***There are currently no implications for Major works service charges**."*

If you have similar problems of damp penetration **from outside** report to: **Resident Services Officer efe.urugu@southwark.gov.uk. tel: 020 7525 5179.**

beware the condensation ‘get-out clause’

Please ensure the ventilation grid in your bedroom is open.
If it is obstructed, the first inspectors are likely to blame you for the damp.

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loitering

Call the Police on **101 t**o report suspicious loitering.
The more reports the Police recieve, the more they will patrol the area.
The homeless should be directed to: 25 Bournemouth Road, London, SE15 4UJ
or **Streetlink**: **0300 500 0914 • www.streetlink.org.uk**

Juniper TRA Meeting #30

7.30pm • Tuesday • 09/06/2020

Agenda

1) Registration & technical check.

2) Apologies for Absence

3) Matters Arising from Minutes.

4) Financial Report. Banking options for Community Fund.

5) Building & Maintenance.

6) Social Report. Lockdown feedback and ideas.

7) Garden and Ball-court Use.

8) Other Business.

9) Date of Next Meeting.

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climate crisis - have your say

In 2019, the London Borough of Southwark declared a Climate Emergency, and resolved to make Southwark carbon-neutral by 2030. Their declared aim is to involve as many people as possible in formulating borough strategy.

This website is designed to gather ideas and proposals prior to face-to-face meetings, once they become possible.

https://southwarkclimateideas.commonplace.is/overview

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please do not put

FOOD WASTE

in the

RECYCLING BINS

accountability
of online meetings

The Constitution of the TRA is like an insurance policy with no 'Act of God' clause. There is nothing in it to cater for this kind of civil emergency. Or to make our online meetings fully accountable to, or able to represent, those without access to the internet. Anyone unable to participate could justifiably object to any decisions taken. LBS were asked for advice. (response below)

summary of LBS legal advice

'This is a difficult one. Although we are in unprecedented times, the TRA must still follow its constitution. The constitution is inclusive therefore, you can only do what is scribed in the rules and not vice versa. So you can't do anything outside the constitution, even where the rules are silent. . So in calling a meeting you have to be aware of all the notice periods and other requirements before the meeting can be called. Using virtual means to carry out the meeting doesn't abrogate the requirements of the terms of reference or constitution.

Provided the perquisites are followed prior to the meeting being held then, it would be difficult to for any resident to challenge the validity of the meeting on the grounds of procedure. ..I am sure that you'll be fine once the pre meeting requirements are met and if you have a quorum.

Please record the people attending/ logging on to the app. Also agree on a minute taker so that you can have evidence of the meeting to provide to members unable to attend. The minutes and list of attendees may become useful as evidence if challenged.'

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It seems that for the time being, all we can do for those without internet access is to provide the opportunity to submit items for attention in advance of the meeting. And to state voting preferences for any proposal on the agenda. The ***Jitsi*** platform we are using is accessible on all smartphones.

how safe are we?

Office of National Statistics figures reveal that between March 1 to April 17 this year, the Queen's Road area recorded the highest number of Covid19 deaths in Southwark with **15**.

Our closest neighbours are no safer.

Peckham North - **8 deaths**. Peckham North West - **9 deaths**. New Cross Gate - **13 deaths.** New Cross & Deptford South - **9 deaths.** Deptford North - **6 deaths.**

These figuers may be a month old, but they are still evidence of a strong presence of the virus in the area, and emphasise the continued need to be careful, and avoid close physical contact as much as possible. The danger is not over yet.

arrest made

Those awake at **2am on Friday 22nd of May** will have been alarmed by sirens, helicopters, shouting and barking. These were the sounds of the police chasing and detaining a suspect in the Juniper garden. They grabbed him by the play-equipment.

If he'd made it as far as the defective boundary with Astury Road he might have got away. This reinforces our long-running argument with LBS that a fence with a hole in it is not a fence.

More information in next issue.

bike-stores

To apply for one of our 12 new cycle-hutches
please register with Cyclehoop.

www.cyclehoop.rentals/ • Phone: 0208 699 1338

emergency repairs

(e.g. a burst water pipe causing a flooding)

please call 0800 952 4444 or 0207 525 2600

Gas leaks: 0800 111 999 • Electricity: 0800 028 0247 • Thames Water: 0800 714 614

minutes • juniper tra meeting#29 • 19/05/2020
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1) Present. Coralie Allison. Paul Hood. Owen & Nicola Hussain-Wilbury. Rob Kenyon. Lloyd Trott. Jaki Wilford.

2) Apologies. Tim Burrow. Aftab Hussain.

3) Approval of Minutes. Due to the absence of written advance minutes for all, the record of the meeting on 05/05/2020 was read out and approved item by item.
One amendment to (6a) from Lloyd to state that information was provided regarding the dates of scaffold erection and cessation of works.

4) Matters Arising
LBS email responses to issues raised at previous meeting:
a) Anti Social Noise: *'This has been noted a block letter will be sent as soon as possible.'*
b) Roof Repairs: *'This has been raised with communal repairs. I am not aware of who erected the scaffolding.'*
Lloyd reported recent movement and noises in the loft space.
Action: To be reported to LBS by Secretary. Lloyd to contact independently with relevant dates and other hard detail.
c) Inadequate fencing with Astbury Road. *'The council is unable to approve request because of lack of funding at this time. The request is an improvement and not repairs so the council is not obliged to carry out works. However, request can be explored at a later date funding permitting.'*

> Proposal: Coralie Allison, Seconded Jaki Wilford.
> A strongly worded response to be sent to LBS stressing the importance of boundary security at this time. If unsuccesful, to be followed by approach offer of TRA funds to enable work. Passed unanimously. Action. Secretary.

d) Pramsheds: *'Job raised for the pram sheds. Ref 8811255/1 I can not ascertain when this will be completed given the procedure of prioritising with emergencies.'*
This response does not address the question of occupancy, and whether non-residents qualify. Further clarification required. Action. Sec.

5. Finance
The decision of the previous meeting to deposit the Coop Endowment Fund in a seperate account and bank was confirmed.
Action:Committee to source options emphasising security and ethical considerations.
Secretary to consult with LBS.

6. Building and Maintenance
a) Lifts. Southern lift still working but one near Old Kent Road regularly out of action in spite of recent service and refurb.
There also seems to be a discrepancy between charges for each. Clarification needed on whether proposed works to Southern Lift are to be surcharged as Major Works.
Action. Secretary to Area Management and Coralie Allison to LBS Leaseholder Support.
b) Lawn. The secretary explained that the current partial cut was largely the result of the partial demolition of the picnic table near flat 1 during cutting. The driver was informed that Grounds Management would be contacted to set a date for the final cut. Action. Secretary.
It was stressed that those in favour of the current area of long grass should help ensure it is kept free of rubbish until cut.
A discussion followed on the practicalities and desirability of creating a dedicated 'meadow' area for part of the year. If such a project were agreed, it would entail sustained action by the Gardening Group. Interested members to report back to future meetings wiht information. LBS to be consulted over mowing-schedule with a view to maximising benefits to wildlife.

7. Social
Lockdown possibilities.
a) Book exchange. Some children have finished reading all the books they have.
Parents at the meeting were prepared to contribute spare books if a practical system could be found for ensuring safe distribution. Interested parties to be consulted.
b) Ballcourt Family Reservation System. The meeting approved approaches to LBS with a view to implementing an hourly system for booking the ballcourt to seperate households.
Action. Secretary.

8. Any Other Business
a) In the light of recent attacks on residents and thefts of property, the meeting approved research into the viability and cost of a **CCTV** system for the estate.
Action. Members to source invidividually and report back. Secretary to contact police, LBS, and our insurance ecompany for advice.
b) Signage. The TRA should commission more laminated signs to deter intruders and calm traffic. Ideas to next TRA meeting.

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next juniper meeting

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BEWARE of PREDATORS

Despicable people are exploiting the Lockdown.
Please check all callers for **valid** ID.
To get urgent help or report a serious crime call **999**.
If you witness a non-serious crime call **101**.
or Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**.
Nunhead. **0208 721 2445**.

book exchange & ballcourt reservations

Kids are running out of books to read. If you have any you want to lend or swap, **contact 0207 723 8493. email: sec.junipertra@gmail.com**
Also, we are trying to get permission from LBS to **re-open the ball-court** to family bookings. If you like this idea, get in touch. (above)

lockdown brain-teaser from last newsletter

'What's the total of all the numbers from 1 - 100?'

Clue

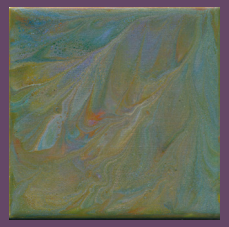
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Answer

100/2=50

50 x 101 = 5,050

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Ben, çünkü Sen'sin

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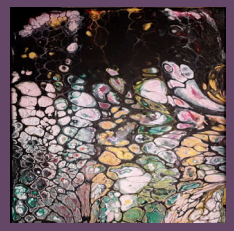
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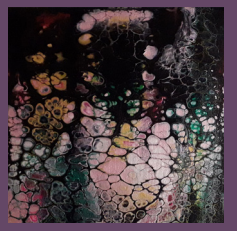
Je suis parce que tu es

I Am because you Are

Я Есть, потому что Ты Есть

(apologies for Google Translate - and any omissions)













It's OK not to feel 'normal' - and say so

From 'Mental wellbeing while staying at home' NHS website.
www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/coronavirus-covid-19-staying-at-home-tips/#

• Claim your benefits
www.gov.uk/government/news/coronavirus-support-for-employees-benefit-claimants-and-businesses.

• Stay connected with people
Is important for mental wellbeing, so stay in touch via phone calls, video calls or social media.

• Talk about your worries
Share your concerns with others you trust – doing so may help them too.

• Support and help others
Helping someone else can benefit you as well as them.

• Look after your body
Our physical health has a big impact on how we feel. It can be easy to fall into unhealthy patterns of behaviour.

• Do things you enjoy
If the lockdown stops you, think about how you could adapt, or try something new. There are lots of free tutorials and courses online,

• Focus on the present
Focusing on the present, rather than worrying about the future, can help with difficult emotions and improve our wellbeing. Relaxation techniques can also help.

• Look after your sleep
Good-quality sleep makes a big difference to how we feel, Try to maintain your regular sleeping pattern.

• Keep your mind active
Read, write, play games, do crosswords, complete sudoku puzzles, finish jigsaws, or try drawing and painting.

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Hot Lockdown Tips From Juniper News Readers



"Exercise regularly"

"Make things. Anything. Do something *new*."

"Always have a proper breakfast."

"I shout at the TV. It does help"

"I practice my recorder in the mornings".

"Keeping a diary feels like being in control."

"Skipping in the garden is *fun*."

"A faceful of cold water is great for calming you down."

"I had my 6th birthday. And my Grandad took the trainers off my bike!"

"I stopped watching the news and everything was fine."

"Headphones are Heaven."

THURSDAY NIGHT DELIVERIES

Thanks again to The Field in Queen's Road and everyone else providing supplies to Juniper House. Anyone needing groceries contact: sec.junipertra@gmail.com • 0207 732 8493.

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this time this year we *are* MILLIONAIRES!

(minus £965,000 approx)

• Juniper House Co-operative is now deceased and Juniper TRA has inherited £31,000 for community purposes.

• Our grant applications for a garden drinking fountain and more bike hutches have been successful. All we have to do now is make them happen.

Try out **www.meet.jit.si/JUNIPERTRAMAY2020**.

reporting a repair

Leaks from Above: 0207 525 2600 (option 1 then option 3) to book visit.
Non-emergency repairs via My Southwark:
www.southwark.gov.uk/mysouthwark or www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs.
Emergency repairs Call: 0800 952 4444 or 020 7525 2600.

lift repair

Lift 3193 is now back in operation. We are now seeking reassurances about Covid19 safeguarding measures for the proposed work on 3912, and clarification of Service Charge implications both for the lift and any repairs to the balcony surfaces laid 2 years ago.
Many residents will have severe problems with more major work bills.

noise

There are **Front-Line Workers** living at Juniper House, and some work night shifts. Music is undoubtedly a comfort during this time, but please use it considerately and in moderation. Regular full-blooded house-parties are not in the spirit of the support we display on Thursday nights.

Noise related Anti Social Behaviour: 0207 525 5777 (24 hours).

contributions

More please!

Any responses to Lockdown, in words or pictures, please send to sec.junipertra@gmail.com • or post to flat 32.

Lockdown Brain-Teaser Clue

100+1=101 • 99+2=101 • 98+3=101

Answer in next edition.



experimental online juniper meeting

www.meet.jit.si/JUNIPERTRAMAY2020

Date and time to be confirmed

Lockdown Brain-Teaser

What's the total of all the numbers from 1 - 100?

(Clue on back page)

garden care

Thanks to everyone for being so understanding about the closure of the play equipment. It was at the request of the Council, the point being that it was becoming a focus for activity, and that it is very difficult to avoid close contact when playing games like basketball. This is hard to argue with.

It might be possible to re-open the court to family bookings in some way. But the terms would have to be agreed, and then approved by LBS.
In the meantime, it appears that residents have naturally regulated their use of the garden to avoid overdue contact with others. A shift system seems to have evolved where people wait until the garden is vacant before going out.

bats at breakfast

For some weeks now, little *Pipistrelle* bats have been feeding in broad daylight (10 am) in the garden. They only used to be seen doing this at dusk.

Keep an eye open. At first glance, they look like a small bird moving very fast, but they turn and twist far more nimbly and frantically. They are chasing the tiny midges and other flying insects warming up in the morning sun. And their flight is more like that of the Martens and Swallows due to hunt the same prey in a few weeks, a few hundred feet higher up.

our garden

When I first visited Juniper House it was early spring and raining hard. After I saw the flat that was to become my family's home, I went out to see the garden. Standing on the grass in the rain, looking back up to the flat through just-budding branches, I knew I'd found the right place for us.

Over these past weeks I've never been more thankful for our shared space. Many days I don't get further than my balcony, but even there it's enough to feel included: listening to the birds, the sounds of voices talking and laughing (and sometimes shouting too!) cooking sounds, cleaning sounds, kids playing, music playing.. I am not alone.

Out in the garden the grass is getting greener and thicker as spring turns to the begining of summer, flowers poke the long blades, leaves unfurl in the trees as blossoms fall and plums, figs and cherries start to form.

In the sunshine we excercise and let the kids burn some energy - calling out reminders about distance and respect for others as they go. At the same time, we greet each other from our 2 metre distances: sometimes a chat, sometimes just a wave.

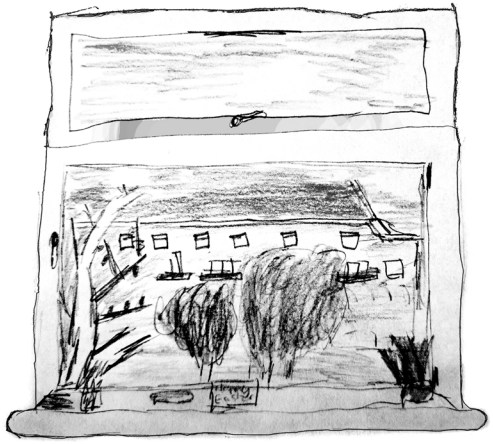
And that is enough. Enough to remind me that we are here, and we are community.

Coralie Allison

'helper's-high'

(the remedy for lockdown-blues)

It's safe to say many of us are feeling the strain by now. And the news of an extended Lockdown doesn't leave many reasons to be cheerful. We appear to be waiting for Science to provide a vaccine which will restore some kind of everyday life.



From My Bedroom Window: Alfie

The good news is that Science has already confirmed what many already knew - that helping others not only makes you feel good, it is good for you. Information which seems very timely now.

The great feeling of working together is not just emotional, it is as chemical as a bottle of wine. A scientific fact. When we do something nice for others, without conditions, measurable doses of so-called 'feel-good' hormones like Endorphins and Seratonin are released in the brain. These create a 'Helper's High' as stmulating and potentially addictive as any artificial substance, and are designed to keep us helping and caring. Everyone's a winner - as long as the actions are sincere.

Another thing it's probably safe to say is that everyone hearing our amazing Thursday night balcony tributes to key-workers knows exactly what the scientists are talking about. Or they wouldn't happen.

We are all now discovering the true value of those who perform the most essential tasks in society. And hopefully, we are also getting too hooked on the Endorphin-hit of helping and caring to do without it.

If we change that much, it won't all have been for nothing. Essential workers will not need to risk their lives at work, or have mass public demonstrations to get respect, decent wages and conditions.

The Scouts motto of *Do A Good Deed Every Day* has always been something of a joke, but its time may have come as a pick-me-up for everyone facing yet another photocopy-day in Lockdown.

When it ends, our first handshake will mean something very different to every one we had before. And hopefully, by then, the world will be a slightly more *appreciative* place, at least.

rattle the balcony rails this thursday
support our essential workers

repair news

balcony leaks

LBS and Elikins & Co are reviewing the balcony and landing works on recieving reports of damp in properties from external surfaces above.
Elkins are to be urged to conduct a full survey of that aspect of the contract when possible.

drains

The blocked drains near flat 31 have been raised for action. Will residents please ensure that unsuitable material is not flushed down toilets. The result of doing so is filthy human excrement flooding the forecourt.
No wet wipes, sanitary products, cotton pads, oil, grease or food waste please.

reporting a repair

Non-emergency. by logging into your **MySouthwark** account and selecting the Housing repairs tab via My Southwark:
www.southwark.gov.uk/mysouthwark or www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs. Emergency repairs Call: 0800 952 4444 or 020 7525 2600.

thanks

.. to **The Field** collective in Queen's Road and **Glengall Wharf** allotments for sourcing supplies which have been gratefully recieved on the block.

Also to the residents who have cooked delicious meals and collected shopping for neighbours. You all know who you are.

Please Notify the Newsletter of anyone else who deserves a mention.

council coronavirus support

If you know of a vulnerable Southwark resident who may not have contacts who can help with the delivery of essential supplies, please let the council know so they can organise support:
Email: covidsupport@southwark.gov.uk.
Phone: 0207 525 5000 and choose option 3.
Or complete an online referral form :

www.southwark.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/for-the-public/coronavirus/tell-us-if-you-know-someone-who-needs-help

covid 19

is no excuse for annoying your neighbours.
There have been complaints

anti-social noise is still anti-social

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Your Newsletter Needs

YOU!

Sorry this edition is overdue, the truth is it's getting difficult to know what to include. And it is becoming increasingly difficult to juggle all the different aspects of the **Covid 19** situation, and the appropriate responses.

It would be great to share some material from residents about how you are coping with Lockdown.

Photos, stories, links to support groups or youtube posts, jokes, recipes, puzzles, cartoons, complaints, favourite poems, internet/computer advice, reports about working-conditions or street-life, childhood memories, questions about use of the garden, or LBS policy - or anything.

Any sign of life to help us through. Just a few words would help. Words are powerful. All contributions can be anonymous, or under a Pen-name. Don't worry about length, spelling, grammar or even language.

new newsletter?

For some time, the newsletter has suffered from not having a team of regular specialist contributors reporting on key areas; and from a lack of personal input from residents. And if the Covid Nuisance goes on much longer, those failings will become more obvious, and the newsletter will be failing at a time when it is needed most.

Contributions are therefore welcome from all residents - about anything at all..

One newsletter page takes a maximum of about 500 words.
Please supply all images at high quality.

Secretary.
email to sec.junipertra@gmail.com. post to flat 32.

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dispose of used gloves & masks properly

please do not throw them in the garden and forecourt

coronavirus - bin collections

Household waste & recycling collections
Collection services are operating with some delays, and you may see your waste collected on a later day than normal. LBS are prioritising the collection of household waste, and will reach us as quickly as possible.

The Household Waste Recycling and Reuse Centre is closed until further notice.

www.southwark.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/for-the-public/coronavirus/impact-of-coronavirus-on-bin-collections

Please try to keep household waste to a minimum.

To help further:
Please do not approach bin crews while they are working to reduce the risk of passing on infection.

If your household is self isolating.
Households that are self isolating should:
1. store personal waste such as tissues and disposable cleaning cloths within disposable rubbish bags.
2. place these bags into another bag, tied securely and keep it separate from other waste.
3. these bags should be put aside for a minimum of 72 hours (3 days) before you put them in your general waste bin. Please note: you cannot take this type of waste to the **Household Waste Recycling and Reuse Centre**

shopping

- Shop as seldom as possible, but when you do, please:
- Be considerate of others when you shop and only buy what you need.
- Please refrain from bulk buying as this means that others will be left without.

other issues

- **Financial hardship and help with benefit applications**, call 020 7525 2434
- **Concerns about Rent payments**: www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/rent/problems-paying-your-rent
- **Serious health issues** - contact NHS 111 or their local GP.
- **Service Charges**: www.southwark.gov.uk/home-owners-services/service-charges/problems-paying-your-service-charges

Our priority will be to work with voluntary and community groups to help those who are unable to rely on friends and family.
We will make sure they receive the food, essential supplies, medicines and social contact they need.

Find out more at www.southwark.gov.uk/covidsupport

LBS

volunteering for 'nunhead knocks'

These Roles Need To Be Filled Urgently. There are others.

'Cook Champions'
We need people able to coordinate all aspects of food production.

'Business and Campaigns Coordinator & Champions'
A team of people to work together with local businesses and organisations.

'Matching Champions'
Volunteers to direct requests via Zone Coordinators.

'Volunteer Coordinator'
If you have recruiting or volunteer management experience and have a lot of time on your hands, get in touch!

'Health & Safety Officer'
'Nebosh' qualified safety officers needed. Help us get it right.

'General Organisers'
Anyone who is hyper-organised, with spare time.
all posts above email: louiser@nunheadknocks.com.

'Webflow Website Designer'. contact: charlie@nunheadknocks.com.

'Airtable Database Manager'. contact clive@nunheadknocks.com.

other groups

Covid-19 Mutual Aid:
www.covidmutualaid.org. Email: covidmutualaiduk@gmail.com

Southwark Mutual Aid. COVID 19 Facebook page:
www.facebook.com/groups/833177740485170/

volunteering top tips

(To keep everyone safe)

1. If you feel at all unwell, do not volunteer.

2. Wash your hands regularly, especially before and after you deliver any items.

3. Try to support people who live close to you so you don't travel longer distances. Volunteers are strongly advised not to use public transport.

4. Do not bring people together face to face. Stay at least 3 paces apart.

5. If you make a delivery, stay two metres away from the person who is in isolation at all times. Place the items outside their door and then step away.

6. Be careful about how you share information about yourself and others.

7. Be careful about taking money from people. Consider writing down any payment, so that there is clear agreement. Please be aware that many people will be afraidof being preyed on by despicable fraudsters exploiting this emergency.

from London Borough of Southwark Website

www.southwark.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/for-the-public/coronavirus

financial support for residents

We are taking action locally to provide financial protection to those in our communities who are most in need. We have supplemented our Southwark emergency support scheme (SESS) budget of £650k per year with an additional emergency fund of £1.5m.

We have suspended all debt recovery actions related to council tax and business rates and are looking at how we can help residents who are struggling financially.

We also have information and support if you're struggling with rent payments.

Find out more at www.southwark.gov.uk/covidsupport

children and coronavirus

Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children has advice for children, their families and carers. Tel: 0207 405 9200

www.gosh.nhs.uk/news/coronavirus-covid-19-information-hub

Save the Children UK has useful advice, particularly for children with long-term health conditions: Tel: (0)20 7012 6400. www.savethechildren.org.uk. email supportercare@savethechildren.org.uk.

Home Learning Tips. *The School Run*.

www.theschoolrun.com/home-education-step-by-step

other advice contacts:

a wide range of people may need special support at this time

• **Asthma:** *Asthma UK.* tel. 0300 222 5800. email: info@asthma.org.uk. www.asthma.org.uk.

• **Cancer**: *Macmillan Cancer Support*. Tel: 0800 808 0000. www.macmillan.org.uk/coronavirus.

• **Carers:** Call 111 if symptoms become severe, and let them know you are a carer. *Carers UK* have more advice: Tel: 0207 378 4999. www.carersuk.org.

• **Disabilities**. *SCOPE* has a wide range of advice about rights. Tel: 0808 800 3333. Email: helpline@scope.org.uk www.scope.org.uk.

• **Covid19 & domestic abuse.** Victims of sexual or domestic abuse feeling trapped by CV19 can contact *SOLACE*, the support service available to Southwark residents over 16. You can call on someone's behalf: Tel: **0207 593 1290** or get help online: **www.solacewomensaid.org/get-help**

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HANDLED ONLY BY STERILE GLOVES. BUT STILL WASH AFTER READING

Grounded

by Covid 19?

If you need support and want to speak to someone in your local community call the **Nunhead Knocks** helpline.

0207 459 4428

request online:

www.nunheadknocks.com/help

'NUNHEAD KNOCKS'

local **covid 19** support

(info for volunteers inside)

OR

email sec.juniper@gmail.com or call 0207 732 8493
to get even closer local support - or just to share your story.

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make a noise again at 8pm

It may not seem like much, but it felt so good.

Support health workers and the community.

HANDLED ONLY BY STERILE GLOVES. BUT STILL WASH AFTER READING

some covid19 facts

"*This is a list of principles and assumptions to know and act upon for carrying out support work in and during the COVID-19 global pandemic.*

1. Anyone could be infected with the virus, and could be spreading it without feeling sick.

2. The aim of community organisations should be to **prevent as many infections happening as possible.**
The primary way to do this is to reduce the exposure of people at high risk.

3. The virus is transmitted via cough droplets during **in-person contact** and on **contaminated surfaces**.

4. Public transport is a common location of virus spread.

5. A solution of **bleach at 10%** can be used for disinfecting surfaces if left on a surface for more than ten minutes (WHO Guidelines).

6. Washing hands thoroughly with soap or with alcohol based hand sanitiser is effective at preventing CV19 being transmitted to surfaces then touched by others.

7. It is essential that people feel able to reach out to **community support organisations**, to ensure they have options other than leaving the house and spreading or being infected by the virus.**"**

www.queercare.network/our-work/resources/covid-19

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repairs

London Borough of Southwark have told us today that measures have been taken by contractors to enable repairs for self-isolating tenants.

www.southwark.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/for-the-public/coronavirus

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found

Bunch of 6 keys. Found in forecourt near flat 52. March 2nd

Single key. Found in forecourt near flat 52. March 3rd.

Possibly dropped from walkway above.

Collect from Flat 52

next juniper tra meeting ??

The meeting last Thursday was inquorate, and rescheduled for **March 25th.**

But that does not look certain at this point.

We may have to completely rethink how we function and what we are for over the next months.
The more ideas the merrier. More information when we get it.

email: sec.junipertra@gmail.com. telephone 0207 732 8493

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covid support groups

'Over 200 community support groups spring up as neighbours offer support during Coronavirus outbreak.
249 groups set up as of 1.15pm on Sunday 15th March

Over 200 **'mutual aid'** groups have sprung up across the country to support those suffering from the effects and threat of the Coronavirus outbreak. 208 groups have been set up online, with volunteers coordinating via ***WhatsApp*** and ***Facebook*** groups and offering people in self-isolation essential help with **shopping, dog walking** and picking up **prescriptions**.

The groups, which are being coordinated nationally by **'Covid-19 Mutual Aid UK'**, have organised online meetings, as well as distributing flyers describing the kind of support on offer.

As well as practical support the groups are offering telephone calls with people who are self-isolating due to infection or increased vulnerability.'

Find local groups here

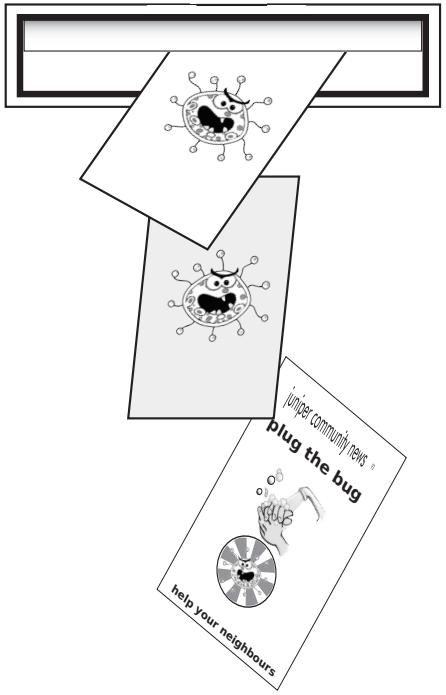
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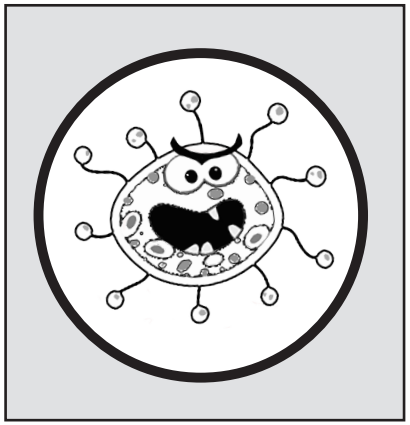
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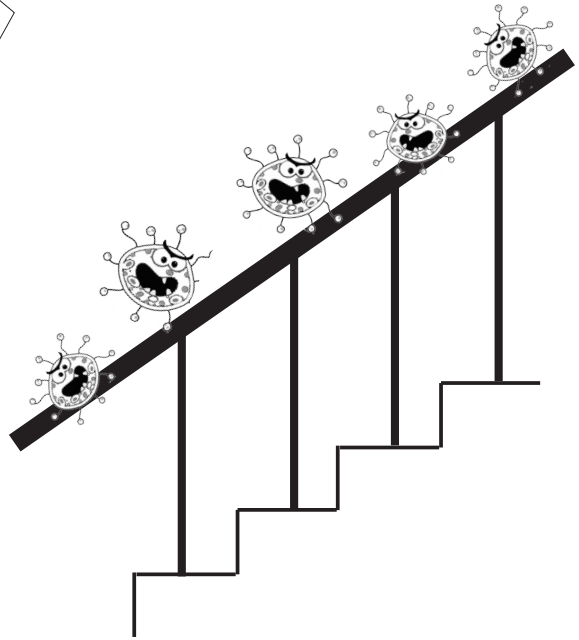
Southwark Mutual Aid Covid 19 Faceboof Group
www.facebook.com/groups/833177740485170/

Common Infection Sites

Steel, plastic and paper surfaces like lift buttons, staircase handrails - and mail - can harbour infection for up to 20 hours. If you touch them with bare hands, wash them afterwards. Or apply disinfectant-gel or 98% proof vodka.







Disposable sanitised gloves were used, and as many germs as possible killed while producing and delivering this newsletter.

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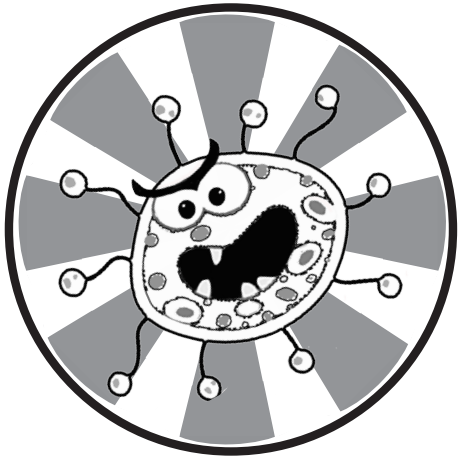
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plug the bug





help your neighbours

CLEANER GREENER FUNDING DECISION PROCESS

3. If our idea is funded, we will be notified and the project then implemented as follows:

• Council officers will consult with everyone affected by our idea.

• If there is no support for our idea or permissions are not secured, our project will be cancelled and the funding returned to the ward.

• Southwark procurement guidelines will be used to commission the best company to deliver our idea.

• Average delivery time is 10 months. However, complex proposals may require extra deliberation.

• If we are unable to deliver our idea within two years, and councillors may reallocate the funding to other ideas.

• We will be kept updated of the progress of our project throughout.

• We will be notified by letter of the conditions of grant. We should aim to deliver within one year of award.

4. If our idea is not funded, we will be notified.

For other possible sources of funding go to:
www.communitysouthwark.org or www.ustsc.org.uk

or www.fundingcentral.org.uk

5. The council is always looking for ideas for future projects.
All submitted ideas will be considered for inclusion in the Community Infrastructure Project List (CIPL).

For more information go to: www.southwark.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/section-106-and-community-infrastructure-levy/community-infrastructure-levy-cil

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COMMUNITY WiFi - Flat 30A

Now installed and working fine.
If anyone can think of something to do with it, come to the meeting on **March 12th** in the new, lavishly-disinfected **Community Room.**
(groundfloor black door near entry gates.)

DECISION DAY

Decisions on our application for a garden drinking fountain, bike-sheds and forecourt safety signage will be announced at the East-Central meeting

Wednesday

11 March 2020

7:00pm

Harris Academy

112 Peckham Rd, Peckham
London SE15 5DZ

All Welcome

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Drinking Fountain and Bike Hutches

A garden drinking fountain will help increase health by encouraging the everyday use of water. It will help the environment by reducing the amount of plastic container and can-waste. And by encouraging the increased use of social areas by residents, the project will enhance self-policing, and help improve security of the block.

As well as providing secure bike storage and thereby encouraging cycling, this feature, like the fountain, will provide a meeting point which would help to reinforce community spirit.

The experience of the last 3 years' hot school summer holidays has convinced the community that a drinking fountain is a necessity. The children themselves led this initiative.

Resident and Volunteer Training Programme

2 hour MICRO courses, and half and full-day courses.
Some with Valuable Nationally recognised Level 2 qualifications.
CONTACT: Paulette Watson. Community Training Officer. LBS Housing and Modernisation. Paulette.watson@southwark.gov.uk

Fire Safety and Extinguisher Training

Wed. 04/03/2020 at 1.30-4.30pm • Taplow Resource room, Taplow House. Thurlow Street. London SE17 2TZ
Sat. 28/03/2020 at 10-1pm • Lettsom TRA Hall, 114 Vestry Road, SE5 8PQ
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Wed. 06/05/2020 at 12.30pm-3.30pm. Albrighton Community Centre, 37 Albrighton Road, Dulwich SE22 8AH
Thurs. 25/06/2020 at 10-1pm. • Lettsom TRA Hall, 114 Vestry Road, SE5 8PQ. Volunteers with responsibility for community rooms

Level 3 Paediatric First Aid

Wed. 11/03/2020 at 9.15am-4.30pm. Albrighton Community Centre, 37 Albrighton Road, SE22 8AH. Volunteers who run children's activities, or community events.

Level 2 Health and Safety at Work

Sat. 21/03/2020 at 9.15am-4.30pm. • Lettsom TRA Hall, 114 Vestry Road, SE5 8PQ

Level 2 Mental Health Advocacy

Wed. 01/04/2020 at 9.15am-4.30pm. Lettsom TRA Hall, 114 Vestry Road, SE5 8PQ Residents and volunteers who want to offer support to the vulnerable.

Level 2 Food Safety in Catering

Thurs. 23/04/2020 at 9.15am-4.30pm. Venue to be confirmed

Level 2 Pets First Aid

Tues. 19 May 2020 at 6pm – 9pm. Venue to be confirmed.

Level 2 Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH).

Sat. 06/06/2020 at 9.15am-12.30pm. Venue to be confirmed.

Level 2 Manual Handling - Moving heavy objects safely.

Sat. 06/06/2020 at 12.45am-4.30pm. Venue to be confirmed.

Level 2 Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults and Children

Thurs. 18 June 2020 at 9.15am – 4.30pm. Venue to be confirmed

Level 3 Emergency First Aid

Frid. 17 July 2020 at 9.15am – 4.30pm. Albrighton Community Centre, 37 Albrighton Road, SE22 8AH.

To book you must be registered using this link
http://southwarkcouncilcommunityengagementscheme.virtual-college.co.uk/
You can then book your required course/s using the same link or email:
Involvementworks@southwark.gov.uk
Please state your full name, postcode and details of the course/s you want.

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Southwark Climate Emergency Conference

Southwark Council has declared a climate emergency and is committed to making the borough carbon neutral by 2030. This conference is the first opportunity to bring together Southwark residents to discuss the implications of Global Warming, and the possible actions to counter it..

Saturday 21 March 2020
William Booth Memorial College, Champion Park. SE5 8BQ
9.30am- 2.30pm (includes lunch)

We will be focusing on issues such as Energy/Waste/Recycling, Food, Construction & Building, Travel & Transport, and Biodiversity.

We have also secured a very exciting guest speaker, Judy Ling Wong, Honorary President Black Environment Network and Founding Trustee National Park City Foundation.

More information at:
www.southwark.gov.uk/climateconference

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Juniper TRA Meeting

Thursday • March 12th

7.30pm • The New Flat 30A
All Residents Welcome.

MINUTES

Juniper TRA Meeting #28 • 16/01/2020 • 30A Juniper House • Flat 30A • 8.15pm

1) Present. Aftab Hussain, Jackie Wilford (Chair), Tim Burrow (treasurer), Paul Hood, Coralie Allison, Cherrie Stevens (Vice-Chair), Peter Marchetti, Rob Kenyon (secretary). Jerome Godfrey proxy for Mina Mileva (49).
LBS: Martin Kovats. Richard Amoah.

Apologies. Lloyd Trott.

2) Approval of Minutes. Minutes Approved.

3) Proposal:

'*The Juniper House TRA agrees to accept the remaining assets of Juniper House Cooperative Limited and to ringfence these funds for projects that comply with the Coop and TRA's agreed objectives in interest of the Juniper community.'*
Proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded Jackie Wilford.
Passed Unanimously

Martin Kovats and Richard Amoah left the meeting.

4) Matters Arising from Minutes.
a) (5a) Roof. Efe (area management) to contact Paul Hood (73)
b) Cleaner Greener Safer Grant Application. Coralie to make a presentation at Harris Academy to LBS representatives.
c) Jackie has contacted Queen's Road Fire Station, who are getting back with their assessment of the congestion of Pomeroy Street.
Jackie also to report back with details of free parking scheme for forecourt.

5) Financial Report.
a) 2019/20 books now with SGTO accountant.

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Passed Unanimously

b) Discussion of the possibility of losing next year's grant.
No conclusions reached. Item to be prioritised on next agenda.
c) Printer cartridge and paper expenditure request by secretary. Granted.

6) Building & Maintenance.
a) Roof leaks & Communal Repairs. The initial responsibility is for residents to log both domestic and communal repairs with LBS. Either on the website, by phone or email repairs@southwark.gov.uk. The more reports the better. The TRA has no power to hasten repairs work.
The LBS position on roof leaks is not clear. It seems to be treating them as domestic issues.
Secretary to seek clarification.
b) Top floor walkways degrading rapidly. Extensive ponding and discolouration.
Item for next Estate Walkabout. Report to Efe Urubusi. LBS.

7) Other Business.
a) Police have reported that the forecourt (near flats 53/54/55) is being used to change the number plates on stolen cars.
Residents should report suspicious behaviour to 101, and illegal acts to 999.
Paul suggested investigating the viability of CCTV. To be raised at next meeting.
b) 30A now painted and clean and waiting for new door to be hung.
Still needs volunteers for basic fire and safety training before we can operate fully.

8) Date of Next Meeting. March 12th.

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Now It's Up To Us

The resolutions passed on January 16th (opposite) finally authorised the end of the Coop and the transfer of its cash to Juniper TRA.

The process of Dissolution is now under way, and if everything goes smoothly, the TRA should have about £30,000 to play with next financial year.

We can spend it soon on a project we can afford, and not have to worry about administering such a large sum. Or we could hold it in reserve against a much larger project.
Both have their advantages and disadvantages.

All ideas are welcome at the next meeting.

to report antisocial behaviour
such as blatant
DRUG ABUSE

Call 101, or Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111
Nunhead office. 0208 721 2445
AND keep a record of all sightings and incidents.
Twitter @mpsNunhead
Email: nunhead.snt@met.police.uk
(help make our case for a Door-Entry System)

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Garden Day 1

Sunday 23rd February

Sowing Seeds • Planting • Clearing up

Meet about 12 in the garden

Follow the Crowds

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Free Hi-Speed Internet

The connection to 30A is active and seems to be working fine.

Anyone with ideas for a community use, please contact:

(Rob: 0207 732 8493/sec.junipertra@gmail.com/flat 32).

Or come to the meeting on March 12.

LBS is being questioned about any necessary safeguarding we should have in place.

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Report from a Concerned Resident

'At 6am this morning my partner went out for a run and witnessed a drug deal happen at the bottom of the staircase.

Then when we left at 7:45am on the same side, one of the men was on the 2nd floor landing (I think) of the staircase, taking drugs.

It's all very sad, and of course feeling terrible that these men are in this situation. However I am really worried about the kids that live in the block seeing this.'

(04/02/2020)

please display enclosed flyer in front windows to remind intruders that Juniper is not safe for them.

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Juniper TRA Meeting

Thursday • March 12th

7.30pm • Flat 30A
All Residents Welcome.

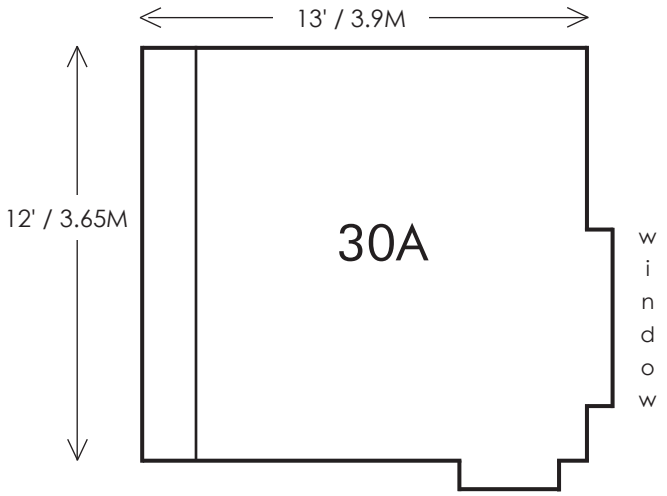
Juniper HQ - (flat 30A)

The meeting room is now clean and fit for use. The walls and ceiling have been painted, and the grotty old carpet is gone. The council have agreed to fit a new door, which we expect soon.
The TRA now has the resources to acquire items which would enable a wide range of uses; such as portable flooring, compact seating and a collapsable, height-adjustable table.

It would make an ideal space for exhibitions, classes, workshops and as a temporary studio for projects likely to take less than a week. There is natural north light, good ventilation, two banks of flourescent tubes, 2 fire extinguishers, 3 electricity points, a fan-heater, a table and stacking chairs, and that's *it*.
There is no water, but that may be a possibility as the room did have a tap once, and the drain is still in place, and can be put back into service if we want.

Sadly, there is a delay to our broadband connection, but it should be installed by the end of February. TRA admin, and WiFi connection for residents will then be possible.

Please come to the next meeting on **March 12th** to discuss the future of the room, and judge its usefulness for yourself.



Soon, Juniper will have

£30,000

to spend on the community.

What would

YOU

do with it?

How could it help

your family?

Please come to the meeting on March 12th to discuss.

Juniper TRA Meeting

Tuesday • March 12th

7.30pm • Flat 30A
All Residents Welcome.

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Babysitting Allowance Avalable

car crime

Local police have reported finding evidence that the forecourt is being used to change registration plates on stolen vehicles.
On the same day, a police transporter was used to remove a motorbike from the forecourt.
Unauthorised people have been seen loitering near the motorbike area (flats 54/55).

If you see anyone hanging about for extended periods of time, who obviously does not live here, the advice is to phone 101.
If you witness any illegal acts, phone 999 as usual.

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coop dissolution progress

members signed / total membership: $\frac{37}{48} = 77\%$ (75% required for dissolution)

last chance to sign

Thanks to everyone who signed the **Instrument of Dissolution**, and who attended the meeting on January 16th. The proposal to dissolve was passed unanimously.

We have enough signatures now to submit the Instrument to the Financial Conduct Authority for approval.

However, we would prefer to be on the safe side, and therefore invite any members who have not yet signed to do so if they wish.

To arrange appointment, please ring 0207 732 8493 or email sec. junipertra@gmail.com, or knock flat 32.
By February 12th, 2020, please.

Your signature will not be used for any purpose other than to indicate your permission for the Dissolution of the Coop. It implies no further obligation. In fact, by ending yor membership, it removes a personal legal responsibility.

There will be a period of three months after formal submission when appeals may be lodged against the Dissolution.

Late amendments to the wording of the previously published proposals, with the help of LBS Legal department.

Dissolution Meeting
Juniper House Co-operative
7.30pm • 30A Juniper House • 16/01/2020
Agenda

1. **Inspection of Instrument of Dissolution.**
2. **Discussion.**
3. **Proposal.**

   'Following the termination of the Management Agreement with Southwark Council in 2015, we resolve to dissolve the Coop following the disposal of all its assets.

   We agree to transfer all the remaining assets of the Coop to the Juniper House TRA, with the proviso that the TRA only uses these funds to meet the Coop and TRA's agreed objectives in interest of the Juniper community.

   Following the transfer of its assets, the Coop's Management Committee will initiate the formal dissolution of the Coop with the Financial Conduct Authority.'
4. **Other Business.**

Juniper TRA Meeting #28
7.30pm • 30A Juniper House • 16/01/2020
Agenda

1) Apologies.

2) Approval of Minutes.

3) Proposal:

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4) Matters Arising from Minutes.

5) Financial Report.

6) Building & Maintenance.

8) Other Business.

9) Date of Next Meeting.

To all

members of

Juniper House Co-op:

1hour

- *please.*

Tomorrow night.

The last meeting.

7.30 • flat 30A

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Please Help Dissolve

Juniper House Co-operative

at least 14 members needed

All Members Please Attend • All Residents Welcome

Thursday 16th January. 2020

7.30pm • 30A Juniper House

(Plus TRA Meeting to follow)

MINUTES • JUNIPER TRA MEETING #27
28/11/2019. Flat 30A. 7.30pm

PRESENT.
Coralie Allison (16). Rob Kenyon - secretary (32). Jackie Wilford – chair (14). Cherrie Stephens vice chair (39).

1. APOLOGIES. Lloyd Trott

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the last Meeting.
The minutes were approved.

3.MATTERS ARISING
A) Forecourt Safety and Pomeroy Street congestion. Report on Tim's letter to Peabody (delivered to every flat last month).
Should further action be required, copies of Tim's letter to be sent to heads of borough Eergency Services who have warned us in the past about the problem of Pomeroy Street. Attention should also be drawn to the disproportionate amount of unlicensed, casual commercial parking.
A version also to be sent to all Pomeroy Street residents.

B) New Resident Services Manager: Efe Urubusi:
efe.urubusi@southwark.gov.uk.

Next Estate Walkabout December 3rd 11am. (1st Tuesday every month). Hopefully to coincide with meeting with representative from Thames Water to discuss the installation of the drinking fountain.

4. FINANCE.
Treasurer not present and no transactions since the last meeting. But there have been significant advances in attracting LBS support for providing access to Juniper Co-op money by Juniper TRA. Allowing us to dissolve the co-op.

Report from meeting with LBS
Martin Kovats (MK) and Jackie Richards (JR) from LBS legal on Transference of Engagements from Juniper Co-op to Juniper TRA.
Tooley Street 27/11/2019.
Attending from Juniper: Martin Hughes, Lloyd Trott, Rob Kenyon.

Martin began by informing the meeting that LBS policy on renewables did not favour solar PV installation on housing estates at this time. In time strategies may change.

1. MK went through the legal advice i.e. the coop's surplus can be transferred either to TRA or LBS as long as FCA satisfied this will meet coop's objects.
'Plan A': Assets are transferred directly from the Co-op to the TRA - assuming no punitive Corporation Tax.
'Plan B': Assets are transferred to LBS, and held until needed then used to pay for project initiative by Juniper TRA.
2. Juniper Co-op cannot spend money on an LBS asset. i.e. door entry system or community room. LBS has not recognised the Co-op since the dissolution of the Tenant Management Organisation.
3. The TRA has not decided what it wants to use the money for. Residents' priority is to dissolve the coop asap. Residents will hold a meeting of the coop to agree whatever way forward is chosen

ACTIONS
• MK will talk with relevant department about possibilities of Entryphone systems and community room build.
• MK will check whether LBS happy for the TRA to hold £30K and if so how.
• MK to check to see if there is way of transferring funds through LBS account to TRA.
• JR to liaise with FCA to clarify what will satisfy them.
• Juniper to investigate and agree spending options. And consult with accountants regarding Corporation Tax implications.

• Door-entry – to get on the door entry programme we will need to show that there is a need i.e. that we are experiencing ASB in the block due to open access. We have to keep a record of incidents.

• Community room – we will need to go through your Housing Officer who will help you make a proposal for a building. Martin Kovats will let the officer know about our discussion.

Feedback on discussion with FCA within 2-3 weeks.

5. BUILDING & MAINTENANCE.
A) No reports from Residents of any additions to the End of Contract Defects List published in Newsletter #85. 15/11/2019.
B) Roof leaks reported at flat 73/46/49. Attempts to access roof prevented by interior fire doors being locked.
Action: secretary Report to Area Management.

6. OTHER BUSINESS.
A) Spending Options. LBS were enthusiastic that our money be spent in the community interest. We have a month or two to agree on a Project Shortlist for investigation.
B) 30A Meeting Room. LBS Handyperson to be contacted for Quote to refurbish 30A ready for decorating and recarpetting by Juniper TRA.
Action: Secretary.
C) Coralie reported that there is a campaign to prevent Brimmington Park becoming a 'Pay to Play' space.
The council's website states: "The proposed new facility will include a dedicated reception with a controlled entrance. We will look to implement the council's fees and charges for use of the new pitches which will contribute towards maintenance of the facility and staffing costs."
The consultation process for the regeneration is still in progress.
More to follow when there are more details.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING
16/01/2020

Dissolution Meeting • Juniper House Co-operative
Agenda

1. Distribution and inspection of Instrument of Dissolution.

2. Discussion.

3. Proposal.

   'In accordance with the resolution passed at the AGM of 09/10/2018, this meeting authorises the officers of the Society to complete all due processes required to implement the 'Instrument of Dissolution' of Juniper House Co-operative Ltd, and to Transfer remaining Engagements to Juniper House Tenants and Residents Association. This authorisation to cover legal costs incurred.'

4. Other Business.

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How Dissolution Works

The Instrument of Dissolution requires the approval of 75% of the membership. That amounts to some 32 signatures from a membership in the low 40's. To this effect representatives of Juniper House Cooperative will be calling soon to seek your final act of cooperation by signing the Instrument. Two signatures are required. Representatives will carry identification on obsolete Juniper headed notepaper. The document will also be available for inspection and to be signed at the meeting on Thursday 16th.

The terms of the 'Transfer of Engagements' by which Juniper TRA acquires the reserves of the coop are as follows:
a) That all projects funded by the Reserve be in the community interest and
b) Any projects involving the fabric of the estate be in cooperation with London Borough of Southwark.

The reason the coop has not been dissolved sooner is that we were informed by the Financial Conduct Authority that a TRA could not be the direct recipient of a Transfer of Engagements. This problem has now been resolved. But we can only access this fund effectively if enough of us sign the historic Instrument of Dissolution.

Please come to the meeting to make it possible.

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Dissolution Meeting
Juniper House Co-operative
&
Juniper TRA Meeting

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Thursday 16th January. 2020

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Good News

Feedback from LBS Meeting (opposite)

It's not finally confirmed yet, but we heard this week that LBS *has* succesfully negotiated on our behalf with the **Financial Conduct Authority** to enable the transfer of assets directly from Juniper Coop to the TRA. This issue has been a barrier to progress for some time

LBS is asking for a Co-op Special meeting in January to finally approve the transaction, and vote to dissolve the Co-op. We can incorporate this into the scheduled TRA meeting for the 16th January. The Meeting should also agree how we should manage the reserve.

We have already agreed at a previous meeting to authorise the transfer as soon as possible. But we can now be hopeful that Juniper Coop could be dissolved by April, halving our workload and expenses, providing us with a substantial sum to spend on Juniper community projects.

Our accountants (CWA Tax, Bromley) have assured us that if the Co-op were to transfer directly to the TRA we would **not** be liable for Corporation Tax.

Happy New Year!

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Meeting with London Borough of Southwark to Discuss Juniper Coop Dissolution & Transference of Engagementsd to Juniper TRA.
Tooley Street 27/11/2019.

Attending: Martin Kovats Community Projects Manager (MK) and Jackie Richards (JR) from LBS legal . Martin Hughes, Lloyd Trott, Rob Kenyon (Juniper).

1. Martin Kovats summarised the LBS legal advice i.e. the coop's surplus **can** be transferred either to TRA or LBS as long as FCA satisfied this will meet coop's objects.

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3. The TRA has not decided what it wants to use the money for. Residents' priority, as resolved at various meetings, is to dissolve the coop assoon as possible. Residents will hold a meeting of the coop to agree on options.

Actions

• MK will talk with relevant LBS departments about possible door-entry and community room projects.

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Juniper HQ Good News

Work on 30A has *started*.

The room was asbestos-proofed this week, and the windowsill patched. Further work from Monday includes new windowsill, room vent, door work, and sealing obsolete LX fittings.

It would be great if we then painted and re-floored the space to our taste. Perhaps over the Xmas holidays.

Help is also needed to reduce the large archive of old files down to what we need, or to what we think interesting. The entire history of Juniper since 1977 is in those minutes and newsletters.

WiFi Shack

The 1Gb fibre broadband connection will be activated on Monday morning (Dec 9th. Flat 30A).. Ideas for organising access welcome.

When finished, the space will be a useful resource for residents who need a reliable WiFi connection, or merely a secure space to hold informal (quiet) classes.

However. To run a functional meeting room some of us will have to sign up to some Council-approved Safety courses:
Fire Extinguisher Training Dates (Mandatory)
27 November 2019, Silverlock TRA hall SE16 2SB
30 January 2020, Albrighton Community Centre, SE22 8AH
28 March 2020, Lettsom TRA hall SE5 8PQ

Book training at the link below.
www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/housing-community-involvement/tenant-and-homeowner-training.

contact: Paulette Watson. Community Training Officer

Tel 07932 379595 • Paulette.watson@southwark.gov.uk

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Local Park Bad News

There are fears that Brimmington Park is to become a **'Pay to Play'** space as a result of the 'Regeneration' programme..
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The consultation process continues.

Contact Friends of Brimmington at: info@fope.org.uk

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official notice of Primary Dissolution Meeting Juniper House Co-operative

(Registered with the Registry of Friendly Societies Registration No. 25859R)

& Juniper TRA Meeting

All Members Please Attend • All Residents Welcome

Thursday 16th January. 2020

7.30pm • 30A Juniper House

leaf noise

To: Nicholson, Shaun

Cc: Rob Kenyon; Ayton, Chris

Subject: Leaf Blowers

Dear Shaun,

For as many years as I can remember residents have had their peace and quiet disturbed by the noise of frequent leaf blowing.

We have to pay for this noisy service which sounds just the same as a motor scooter being endlessly revved.

Please can you look into buying the new re-chargable electric models, available for around £100. DeWalt model perhaps.

They are more economical, don't used petrol and are very quiet.
The petrol machines Southwark employs are polluting and ridiculously noisy and could potentially damage the operators' ears.
I notice that Better Bankside in Southwark use the modern models which are really powerful and very quiet. Please do liaise with them as to which models they have etc.

If you are not the person to consider this issue, please forward it to the relevant persons. This unnecessary noise (which we pay for) has to stop!

Many thanks for your consideration and assistance,

Regards,

(Juniper Resident)

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Thank you for your email received.

I have Cc'd in the Councils Cleaning, Grounds Maintenance and Tree Services Manager Mr Nick Mellish who I believe would be able to provide assistance with your email below.

My team deals primarily with S20 consultation and service charge construction and unfortunately would not be able to provide comment on the below.

I do hope Mr Mellish can assist however should you have any queries regarding the contents of my email please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards

Shaun Nicholson

All Feedback Welcome

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possible spending log-jam break

In a turn-up for the book, Southwark has agreed to a sit-down with the committee on Wednesday 27th November to discuss possible methods by which Juniper Tenants & Residents Association may be allowed to spend the reserves of Juniper House Co-operative. (How we can spend our own money). And on what.

After 4 years, we may be at the beginning of the end.

Come to the meeting on the 28th to hear the news.

pomeroy street parking scandal

Vicky Foxcroft MP
House of Commons
London
SW1A 0AA

16.11.19

Dear Vicky Foxcroft MP,

Re: Planning Permission LPA ref: 15/093731 at 43-49 Pomeroy Street, SE14 5BW and road safety on Pomeroy Street.

Please see the enclosed letter sent to Peabody Housing Group. I have been raising this issue via London Borough of Lewisham since February 2019. They acknowledged the error in May 2019 and then contacted Peabody in June 2019. Peabody have responded in November 2019 and I believe they are trying to wriggle out of their obligations through deliberate delay and misrepresenting their own application in order to be able to sell properties for a higher value.

I have been trying to work this out through the involvement of council and appealing to Peabody as a responsible housing provider but now I need your help. Please can you help explain to Peabody that their profit margin is not more important than road safety?

Kind regards,



Tim Burrow

Treasurer, Juniper House TRA – treasurer.junipertra@gmail.com

cover letter 1.

See full case-letter enclosed.

Action to be dscussed at meeting on 28/11/2019

copies to: LBL Planning, LBL Highways, LBS Highways, Cllr Paul Bell, Cllr Joan Millbank, Cllr Luke Sorba, Mayor Damien Egan, Vicky Foxcroft MP, Mayor Sandra Rhule, Cllr Sunil Chopra, Cllr Gavin Edwards and Harriet Harman MP.

1gigbyte **FREE** broadband at juniper h.q.

"The connection and service is completely free.

We will provide 1GB Fibre connect at no cost to the TRA or community hall."
(Hyperoptic)

Juniper is finally getting something for nothing -a free 1GB internet service with good Wireless connection within the room. Now we need ideas for using it. And volunteers to make 30A fit for purpose with a coat of paint.

Juniper doesn't have its own *working* computer yet - but we could have if there are any texperts willing to lend a hand with our existing gear. So initially any internet cafe or club would mean bringing your own laptop. And your own coffee.

It is definitely in 'the wider good' that those least able to pay for a broadband connection are able to access the vast range of services now moving online, including banking, tax, healthcare, local authority departments and social services.

Constant online jobsearches are now required of anyone claiming Jobseekers Allowance. and Talktalk fees are not included in the benefit.

Installation and setup Friday 29th (PM) for anyone interested.

Definitely an item for the meeting on the 28th.

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DEADLINE

for registering to vote in the General Election on 12 December.

11:59pm on 26 November.

• If you want to apply to vote by post in England, Scotland or Wales, register **before 5pm on 26 November.**

• If you're going to be abroad on election day, you can apply to vote by proxy after you've registered. It takes time to vote by post from overseas.

Who can register

• You can register if you're both: aged 16 or over and a UK citizen (or an Irish, EU or Commonwealth citizen with a permanent UK address)
• You can then vote when you're 18 or over.

Student registrations

• If you're a student, you can register at both your university and home address. You can only vote once.

Registering online

• Use this service to get on the electoral register. You need to be on the electoral register to vote in elections and referendums.

www.southwark.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/voting-and-elections/uk-parliamentary-general-election-2019.

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Juniper TRA Meeting

Thursday • November 28th

7.30pm • Flat 30A • All Residents Welcome

Free Kids Xmas

Presents & Stockingfillers

(quality - no rubbish)

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Leafblower Racket

Free Juniper Broadband

Don't Lose Your Vote

plus

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END OF CONTRACT DEFECTS LIST

The deadline is now up for reporting new faults with the contract work.
But this list is worth keeping an eye on since LBS have said that "all remedial work is compete".

Should you have any queries/concerns, please do not hesitate to contact chris.ayton@southwark.gov.uk

Top Floor

• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flats 47-46 (above expansion joint).
• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flats 46 (above expansion joint).
• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flats 25 (corner) / brick pointing below.
• Missing Access Ladder to Staircase No.2 (previously reported).
• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flats 23-24 (near expansion joint).
• Hairline crack to coping stone outside Flats 74-75.
• Hairline crack to coping stone outside Flats 73-72.
• Hairline crack to coping stone outside Flats 72-71.
• Hairline crack to coping stone outside Flats 49-48.
• Floor, Hairline crack along upstand/Skirting outside No.21.

Staircase No.1 Crack by top stair.

Third floor

• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flats 20.
• Staircase No.1, Trunking missing to Soffit.
• Staircase Lobby, Hairline crack along threshold.
• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flats 42 (corner / pointing below).
• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flats 43/44 (above Expansion joint).
• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flats 69.

Second Floor

• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flats 39/38.
• Staircase damaged to 2nd Step.
• Brick, hole to top of wall before staircase/ near soffit.
• Painted surface inside wall is showing efflorescence outside flats 64-65.
• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flat 37 (corner/ pointing below).
• Coping stone outside Flat 15, brick pointing below (near Expansion joint).
• FED decoration to door frame, paint flaking.
• Brick pointing underneath Coping Stone outside Flat 15.

First Floor

• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flats 8/9 (brick work / pointing below).
• Brickwork outside Flat 6 pointing.
• Screw to be removed, which has been left inside wall between Flats 6-7.
• Hairline crack on coping stone outside Flats 33 /34.

Staircase 2 Crack on first step.

• Screw to be removed, which has been left inside wall Flat 56.
• Staircase Lobby 3 hairline crack to inner bay.
• Staircase Threshold crack on step
• Crack on floor to upstand/Skirting near Flat 6.

Rear

• Balcony (2 nd Floor) Hairline crack and repointing outside No.3.
• Trickle vent to No1 be to replaced (previously mentioned).

General

• Service hatches were previously secured, are now left open.

Southwark Advice on Rough Sleepers at Juniper

Call the Police on 101

when you see rough sleepers around the building.

The Police will attend and interview, and direct the genuinely homeles to **25 Bournemouth Road, London, SE15 4UJ** for support and information about rehousing.

meeting room setback

After giving the green light to *HyperOptic* to install high-speed broadband in the office, Southark have now put us back on red for any renovation work which would make the space usable. Nearly 4 years of LBS stalling continues.
Apparently," *the next phase of refurbishment works hasn't been selected as yet and will not be selected in the immediate future as LBS are focussing on fire safety works.* "
Apparently, we aren't supposed to have nice things.
Of course, this is not good enough, and eventually we will get the space we deserve. In the meantime, we could do a lot ourselves to improve the space, with a little communal help. We have all the tools and materials we need.
One day's work should totally transform the space.
Agenda Item for meeting on November 28th.

pomeroy parking setback

Peabody, the developer of the new giant block opposite, have refused to implement the **Restricted Parking Zone** clause of their leaseholds, while not providing any on-site parking for residents. Which means even more parking on Pomeroy Street. Which means more congestion and chaos for us.
If we don't want to be victims of an obvious planning bungle, it seems we have no alternative but to begin a campaign involving all residents of Pomeroy Street, which is already one of the most polluted and over-parked streets in South London.
Agenda Item for meeting on November 28th.

good news

We have been paid our grant by Southwark.
The TRA is now richer by £1300.
Every Meeting is a Spending Meeting!

xmas bonus gift giveaway!

Top quality fluffy, sparkly, technicolour, funny, mad, flashy, insane, bonkers, cuddly, slippers, toys, shoes, games and stuff.
All free at the next meeting on November 28th.
Just come, rummage and pillage.

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Juniper TRA Meeting

[reconvened]

Thursday • November 28th

7.30pm • Flat 30A • All Residents Welcome

Free Kids Xmas

Presents & Stockingfillers

(brand new excess stock)

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all residents welcome

MINUTES. JUNIPER TRA . ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

17/10/2019. Flat 30A. 7.30pm

Present.

Coralie Allison (16). Tim Burrow - treasurer (13). Rob Kenyon - secretary (32). Jackie Wilford - chair (14). Lloyd Trott – chair (46). Aftab Hussain (70) Cherrie Stevens (39). Louis Rotsos, Martin Kovats (LBS)

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes of the Last AGM. Passed unanimoously.

3) Presentation of the Accounts 2018/19
(Tim)

A) Expenditure:	Garden tables.	£670.00
	Wood preservative.	£54.79
	Insurance.	£99.31
	Colour Newsletter	£25.35
	Balance	**£245.15**

B) 2020 Maintenance grant applied for.
C) Copies of 2018/19 accounts to be sent to Louis Rotsos (LBS).
D) Proposal to accept the accounts.
"This meetng accepts the accounts presented as a true record of the financial transactions of the Associatioon.' Proposed J Wilford. Seconded Tim. Passed unanimously.

4) Annual Reports
Solar Project.
A) Martin Kovats (LBS) updated the meeting on changes to LBS policy. Solar is now only favoured for new-builds and specifically designed projects. Adaptation of existing housing stock is not seen as practical at the moment. None of the other projects in Southwark have progressed either. Juniper's project was rejected on the grounds of low generation levels and high installation costs.
B) LBS has declared a Climate Emergency, pledging a zero Carbon zone by 2030 which will require a more radical approach than at present.
C) LBS is going to replace estate lighting with LEDs, in order to reduce costs to residents.
D) At present, LBS has very low levels of expertise in managing such projects. In time officers may be appointed who are more experienced with community-led energy initiatives.

Grant Applications.
The committee submitted 3 applications to the Cleaner Greener Safer Fund. Each approved at TRA meetings.
A) Garden Drinking Fountain. Awaiting survey by Thames Water and LBS.
B) Cycle Shacks. Waiting lists to be opened when grant approved.
C) Forecourt Paint. For traffic warning project.
D) Meeting Room
Free cable broadband has been offered to the TRA, but room 30A is in no state for installation. Matter has been forwarded to LBS to sort out. Waiting for developments.

5) Resignation/Election of Officers
Current officers stood down and Louis assumed the chair.
Elections:
Chair: Jackie Wilford. Proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded Aftab Hussain. Passed Unanimously.
Vice Chair: Cherrie Stevens. Proposed Jackie Wilford. Seconded Lloyd Trott. Passed Unanimously.
Treasurer: Tim Burrow. Proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded Aftab Hussain. Passed Unanimously.
Secretary: Rob Kenyon. Proposed Coralie Allison. Seconded Jackie Wilford. Passed Unanimously.
Area Delegate: Lloyd Trott. Proposed Jackie Wilford. Seconded Aftab Hussain. Passed Unanimously.

Coralie Allison and Aftab Hussain agreed to be re-elected as committee members.
Jackie resumed the Chair.

6) Appointment of Auditors.
Proposal:
'This meeting authorises the engagement of Southwark Group of Tenants Organisations as accountants for Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association for the forthcoming financial year. ' Proposed Tim Burrow. Seconded Jackie Wilford. Passed Unanimously.

7) Any Other Business
Implications of Martin Kovats Report. Alternative spending options to Solar project.
A) Security. The possibility of spending the Coop fund on an entryphone system was discussed. Martin Kovats informed the meeting that LBS had a fund of £100,000 for such projects, which barely covered the costs of one installation. Given the architectural complications of Juniper House, and the fact that entryphones are rapidly becoming standard in new-builds, it was felt that this was a project LBS should be leading, but with possible help in the form of targeted community-based fundraising.
Action: Entryphone System to be included in future TRA agendas under Fundraising.
Coralie reported an increase in lurkers and drug use on walkways and staircases, and that there are reports of door handles being tried in the middle of the night.
Action: Local Neighbourhood Police Team to be notified and random patrols requested again.
B) Transfer of Engagements.
Martin and Louis were asked whether LBS could be the agent for transferring the assets of Juniper House Co-op to the TRA in trust that it would be used for the community benefit on future as yet unspecified projects approved by LBS, rather than specific projects such as the Solar Project. Which would be better than not being able to spend it at all, as now,~
action: Martin to consult with LBS legal team and get back.
C) Martin pointed out that while LBS has virtually ruled out installing solar PV units to existing housing stock, it is still interested in doing so with new-builds and improvements to estates.
It was pointed out that there was still space at the boundary wall with Astbury Road for a shipping-container sized community room, which might, with imagination and co-operation with LBS become a valuable community asset for Juniper House.
Action. MK to make enquiries. Item to be included on future Fundraising agendas at TRA.

8) 2019/20 Meeting Schedule.
The meeting agreed to hold meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of every odd month.
12/11/2019. 14/01/2020. 10/03/2020. 12/05/2020. 14/07/2020. 08/09/2020. 10/11/2020.

meeting room

Southwark has finally agreed to start work on the renovation of the meeting room (flat 30A). We don't have a date yet, but eventually we will have a space without dust or holes in the wall.

Some of the free courses which will be useful when we get our new space.

• **Practical Fire Extinguisher use**	CPD accredited	
• **Safeguarding**	Level 2	
• **Emergency First Aid**	Level 3	
• **Paediatric First Aid**	Level 3	
• **Food Safety in Catering**	Level 2	(Level 3 online course)
• **Conflict Resolution and Personal Safety**	Level 2	
• **Health and Safety at Work**	Level 2	

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Fire Extinguisher Training Dates (Mandatory)
Wednesday 27 November 2019, Silverlock TRA hall SE16 2SB
Thursday 30 January 2020, Albrighton Community Centre, SE22 8AH
Saturday 28 March 2020, Lettsom TRA hall SE5 8PQ

Use the link below to book training by scrolling to the bottom of the page.
www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/housing-community-involvement/tenant-and-homeowner-training.

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Online Training is available for people who find it difficult to attend classroom sessions, but they may not be free. Contact Training Office (below) for information on concessions:

contact: Paulette Watson. Community Training Officer

Tel 07932 379595 • Paulette.watson@southwark.gov.uk

security

There is a seasonal increase in lurkers and drug use on walkways and staircases, and reports of door handles being tried in the middle of the night. Always keep doors and windows locked.
[See Minutes inside. Item 7) Any Other Business. A) Security.]

To report antisocial or suspicious behaviour visit:
www.met.police.uk
or call 101, or Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111
Twitter @mpsNunhead • Email: nunhead.snt@met.police.uk
Nunhead office. 0208 721 2445

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Juniper TRA Meeting

Tuesday • November 12th

7.30pm • Flat 30A • All Residents Welcome

Free Xmas Toys, Children's Slippers & Clothes (excess stock)

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NEWS

Meeting Room Green Light

(see back page)

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Minutes of Reconvened Juniper House Cooperative Annual General Meeting
09/10/2018 • 7.30pm• Flat 30A. Juniper House

MEMBERS PRESENT: Coralie Allison, Rob Kenyon, Lloyd Trott. Jackie Wilford. Aftab Hussain, Cherrie Stephens.

[As a reconvened meeting of an inquorate AGM (18/09/2019) this meeting formed a quorum.]

1) Apologies. Tim Burrow, who submitted his permission to be elected Secretary in his absence. (Minutes recorded by Treasurer.)

2) Approval of Minutes of the Last AGM.
Minutes approved.

3) Presentation of the Accounts 2017/18
The Accounts for the year were distributed and approved.

4) Finance Report.
Juniper House Co-operative Limited Income and Expenditure Account
Year ended 31 March 2018

Expenditures		
Audit and accountancy fees		£ 834
General expenses		£ 1,383
Bank charges		£ 112
		£ 2,329
Net assets	2018	£29,167

CWA Tax (Bromley) were appointed for a further year.

6) Election of Officers. The previous officers stood down and nominations were tabled. (Toby Flat 13 temporarily assumed the chair as a non-member)
Chair. Lloyd Trott. Proposed Rob Kenyon, seconded Jackie Wilford. Passed unanimously.
Vice Chair. Jackie Wilford. Proposed Aftab Hussain, seconded Rob Kenyon. Passed unanimously
Secretary. Tim Burrow. Proposed Rob Kenyon, seconded Jackie Wilford. Passed unanimously
Treasurer. Rob Kenyon. Proposed Jackie Wilford, seconded Lloyd Trott. Passed unanimously

7. Report 1. Transference of Engagements Proposals
Proposal: *'In accordance with the resolution passed at the AGM of 19/10/2017, this meeting authorises the signatories to issue a cheque to the account of Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association for the remaining balance of the Juniper House Co-operative Ltd account, minus a contingency fund of £300 to cover remaining obligations (eg Financial Conduct Authority annual fee) for the sole purpose of financing the Solar PV Project now in development.*
Or should that not be possible, to finance a similar community project of equal benefit to all residents of Juniper House, approved by General Meeting of Juniper TRA in cooperation with London Borough of Southwark.'
Proposed Rob Kenyon, seconded Jackie Wilford. Passed Unanimously

The meeting was informed that Juniper TRA was not eligible to recieve or inherit the coop's assets in full.
LBS is an eligible agent under the legislation, but would have to use the funds for the purpose intended, which is why the Solar Project exists. This proposal is to authorise and define the future disposal of the Coop's assetts without undue inconvenience.

8. Report 2. Termination of Society.
Proposal: *'In accordance with the resolution passed at the AGM of 19/10/2017, this meeting authorises the officers of the Society to complete the relevant documents required to terminate Juniper House Co-operative Ltd, and to dispose of any remaining assets to Juniper House Tenants and Residents Association.'*
Proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded Jackie Wilford. Passed unanimously.

9) Any Other Business
The Solar Project progresses well. Southwark have adopted a policy commitment to back community-led sustainable energy projects, and have organised a round table discussion for December involving all interested groups and agencies.

10) Next meeting. TBA

AGENDA Juniper House Co-operative Annual General Meeting
17/10/2019 • 7.30pm • Flat 30A. Juniper House SE14 5BY

1) Apologies
2) Approval of Minutes of the Last AGM
3) Presentation of the Accounts 2018/19
4) Annual Reports
5) Resignation/Election of Officers
6) Appointment of Auditors.
7) Changes to Membership
8) Any Other Business
9) Next meeting.

AGENDA Juniper House Tenants & Residents Annual General Meeting
17/10/2019 • 7.30pm • Flat 30A. Juniper House SE14 5BY

1) Apologies
2) Approval of Minutes of the Last AGM
3) Presentation of the Accounts 2018/19
4) Annual Reports
5) Resignation/Election of Officers
6) Appointment of Auditors.
7) Any Other Business
8) 2019/20 meeting schedule.

Minutes • Juniper TRA Annual General Meeting 3

27/11/2018. 7.30pm. 30A Juniper House.

1. Present
Coralie Allison (16) Chair, Jaki Wilford (14) Rhiannon Rafferty (7) Secretary, Rob Kenyon (32) S. Muslu (67) Paul Hood (73) Lloyd Trott (46) Cherrie Stevens (39) Atube (13) Louis Rotsos (LBS) Mina Mileva (49) Aftab Hussain (70) Tracey Hussain (70) Rukayat Basaru (17) Oliver Clarke (72) Alemat Lawson (23)

2. Apologies. Tim Burrow Treasurer. (Consent given for re-election. Financial Report delivered by Louis Rotsos LBS.)

3. Minutes of Last AGM. Approved as a true record.

4. Presentation of Accounts

Balance brought forward 30/09/2017: £1174.31.
Expenditure: £ 79.50.
Balance : £1094.81

'This Meeting accepts the 2017-18 Accounts of Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association as a true record of its finances during the past year.'
Proposed R. Kenyon. Seconded J. Wilford. Passed Unanimously.

5. Appointment of Accountants
'This meeting accepts the appointment of Southwark Group of Tenants Organisation as Juniper TRA accountants for a further year.'
Proposed: J. Wilford. Seconded: Coralie Allison. Passed Unanimously.

6. Election of Officers
Chair. J. Wilford. prop R. Kenyon . sec T.Hussain passed Unanimously
Vice-Chair. C. Stevens. prop J. Wilford. sec M. Mileva passed Unanimously
Secretary. R. Kenyon. prop J. Wilford sed A. Hussain passed Unanimously
Treasurer. T. Burrow. prop R. Kenyon. sec J. Wilford.passed Unanimously
Area Delegate. Lloyd Trott. prop R. Kenyon. sec J. Wilford. passed Unanimously

7. Raffle: 3rd Prize R. Busayat. 2nd Prize A. Hussain. 1st Prize J. Wilford

9. Action Reports.
a) Solar Project Group
The Secretary gave a brief summary of progress. LBS have appointed a consultant to assess viability. The project is consistent with LBS manifesto promises. And the initial response at the first meeting with Martin Kovats of LBS was extremely positive. Since, LBS is reported to have 'issues'. The only one specified being the apparent inability of the LBS Finance Department to discount Community Lighting service charges from the accounts of both leaseholders and tenants equally. The group is expecting a further update soon, and a meeting with the Consultants.

b) Major Works.
After a prolonged discussion of various outstanding faults, it was agreed that Chris Ayton (LBS Contract Manager) to distinguish clearly which items are the responsibility of LBS and which are still under guarantee to A&E Elkins.
action: Secretary.

c) Blocked Drains reported backing up into baths and sinks in flats 16, 70, 13, 8, 73, 14.
Concerted approach to Area Management and C. Ayton.

10. Any Other Business
Prolonged discussion on Major Works Service Charges. Several Leaseholders feeling intimidated by LBS inflexibility on payments.
Carla Blair of LBS to be invited to next TRA meeting.

11. Date of Next Meeting
29 Jan 2019

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Juniper TRA Annual General Meeting

Martin Kovats from LBS attending

to update on Solar project

&

Juniper House Coop Annual General Meeting

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both this Thursday • October 17th

7.30pm • Flat 30A • All Residents Welcome

Free Lottery and Free Toys

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cleaner greener latest

drinking fountain

The experience of the last 3 years hot summer holidays convinced many residents that we need a drinking fountain in the garden. The children themselves led this initiative, proposing it at a specially convened meeting in June. Delivering it would send a powerful message that their voices are heard and sometimes count. And would hopefully encourage them to become active in the community as adults – if not at Juniper, then wherever they might go.

The application for a **Cleaner Greener Safer** (CGS) grant is being made on health, environmental and social grounds.
1. The project will help increase health by encouraging the everyday use of drinking water and reducing the dependency on unhealthy processed beverages, especially among young residents.

2. It will help the environment by reducing the amount of plastic container and aluminium waste.

3. By encouraging the increased use of social areas by residents the project will increase pride in the garden, and enhance community care and scrutiny of the estate, improving security.

Thames Water have confirmed that there are still two accounts for garden outlets on their records: '**Flats 1-36'** and **'Garages'**. Both accounts are now completely unviable for commercial purposes.
These are now managed for TW by '**Castle Water**'. Both they and TW have Community programmes that could be useful to us.
Negotiations are in progress with both TW and CW to provide mains outlet for the drinking fountain. Preferably free or grant-aided.

bike hutch



Up to 6 more secure spaces in bike-hutches are being applied for.
If you are interested in being put on the waiting list, contact:
sec.junipertra@gmail.com as soon as possible (Flat 32).

football day

Ahmed Kabba from SGTO has offered to come and organise a football day when convenient for us.
Does half-term sound good? Or maybe a Sunday afternoon.
contact:
sec.junipertra@gmail.com with suggestions (Flat 32).



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Juniper TRA Annual General Meeting

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Juniper House Coop Annual General Meeting

both on October 17th

7.30pm • Flat 30A

Free Lottery and Free Toys

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Painting Day

Postponed

from October 6th

Sadly, it seems like the weather won't be on our side on Sunday, with rain predicted until early afternoon.

But we can still meet to set a new date and gather any donations of paint and materials for project.

Please bring any spare tins of water-based paint (especially colours), or old brushes to flat 30A about 1pm. Or Flat 32 other times..

COMMON CAUSES OF BLOCKED DRAINS

www.thameswater.co.uk/be-water-smart/Bin-it/Blockages

"Fat, cooking oil, wet wipes and sanitary products are among the biggest cause of the 75,000 blockages in London each year."

BIN - DON'T FLUSH

Most household pipes are only 10cm wide. The width of this circle.

OIL AND GREASE

When fat and oil cool down, they form a sticky glue that hardens iinside the pipes and chokes them, causing disgusting backups into your home -

and into every home connected with the same stack.

Don't pour fats and oils down the sink, collect them in a container such as a jam jar, and leave to cool down.

Once set, they can go straight in the bin.

Or take to the **Council RRC.**

(SEE BELOW)

WET WIPES, SANITARY PRODUCTS AND COTTON PADS

These are not designed to be flushed. Instead, they build up waste until inevitably, pressure behind the build-up forces the foul mixture back upwards.

There are alternatives to wetwipes.. If in doubt, don't flush, throw them in the bin instead.

www.thameswater.co.uk/be-water-smart/Bin-it/5-alternatives-to-wet-wipes .

Also, look for the official water industry **'Fine to Flush'** symbol on the back of the packet.

FOOD WASTE

Little pieces of food can stick to congealing fat in the drain and make fatty build ups worse. That's why you should scrape and leftover food from your plate straight into the bin, **before** washing. The same applies to all reusable or disposable packaging or containers.

Southwark Reuse and Recycling Centre (RRC)

accepts cooking oil and many other items:

43 Devon Street (off Old Kent Road) • London SE15 1AL

www.southwark.gov.uk/bins-and-recycling/recycling/recycling-centres/

CLEANER GREENER GRANTS

Proposals approved at TRA Meeting September 5th.

Extra Bike Sheds

There will only be a limited supply. Therefore anyone who needs a secure space for their bike please apply to sec.junipertra@gmail.com or in writing to The Secretary Flat 32 by (or at) the TRA meeting on September 24th.

Drinking Fountain

As well as the obvious convenience, and encouraging children to drink water instead of unhealthy processed drinks, the design proposed also refills existing bottles and therefore reuses them. With obvious environmental benefits.

Other Proposed Garden Projects

Given the workload on a small team, and the lottery of fundraising, projects from the meeting of **18/07/2019,** such as raised beds and play structures, would probably be implemented faster and easier if paid for by the TRA.

Please Help

The committee is workingt to fill in the paperwork for this funding in time, but a dedicated group of parents is needed to make sure these kinds of social projects go smoothly, and to provide further information and ideas.

These things do not take up much time if enough people join in. If only a few people take part in them, they generally do not last long. Unsurprisingly.

Requirements for C&G funding include DBS checks for projects involving children and vulnerable adults. DBS can be provided free via SGTO. This qualification is normally quite expensive.

contact: Southwark Group of Tenants Organisations.

Tel: 0207 639 6718 • 0793 235 9376

Email: info@sgto.co.uk • website: www.sgto.org.uk

TRAFFIC DANGER

At the last TRA meeting residents voiced concern about the level of traffic and the speed of vehicles on Pomeroy Street at night and in the early morning. We also discussed how high-sided vehicles parking close to the exit gate blocked drivers' view of oncoming traffic, risking collisions. This dangerous practice does not break parking rules, as vehicles were parked clear of the double yellow lines. The meeting therefore decided to contact our councillors again to request that the lines be extended to protect visibility. We are awaiting reply.

Another concern was the speed at which some vehicles, such as scooters and delivery vehicles travel in our carpark and the danger this particularly poses to children going to the garden or riding bikes.

A proposal was made to make floor murals on the entrance and exit ways and **'children at play'** signage. We are currently looking at funding to to do this through the Cleaner, Greener, Safer awards from LBS. Please come to the planning meeting and/or to the paint day in October to find out more and have your say.



oil strike

As if the forecourt wasn't horrible enough.

And this time we probably can't blame the council as this drain was cleared quite recently after a similar blockage.

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Common Causes Of Blocked Drains

(see inside)

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Painting



october 6th

floor games (hop-scotch etc.)
repainting bin-chambers
meeting room door
safety signage
murals

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please wear suitable clothing
and bring any spare paint
all adults & children welcome

juniper garden

1pm - sunset

Juniper TRA
Spending Meeting
September 24th
(Approval of Projects)
Flat 30A • 7.30pm

highlights of minutes • tra meeting • 05/09/2019

september estate walkabout items

(a) Chronic blockage of drain fed from flats 54>75.
Now cleared, but strong letter required to residents specifying correct usage of sinks and toilets, and correct methods of disposal for unsuitable materials.
Action: Block letter from LBS. Backed by newsletter.
(b) Rubbish Thrown from Balconies. Action: Letter from LBS. Backed by newsletter piece.
(c) Fence on Boundary Wall with Astbury Road. Required to prevent anti-social behaviour, and deter reported suspicious activities. **Action:** Noted for LBS action.
(d) Drain Near Bikesheds needs complete refurbishment. **Action:** Noted for LBS action.
(e) Fotball Cage Lines need repainting.
Action: Noted for LBS action.
(f) Loose Front Cabinets likely to harbour **rodents** and need to be completely sealed. Mice now reported in previously unaffected flats. Residents should report any infestation to LBS. Residents should not use walkway cabinets to store either rubbish bags or recycling bags.
Action: Noted for LBS action..
(g) Tree Crew Visit. Advance notice requested. Ernst Erasmus of Tree department to be contacted.
(h) Pramshed Roof Asphalt cracked and plants growing from it. **Action:** Noted for LBS action.
(i) Old Timber Structures, especially the 'Gazebo', rotting and unsafe.
Action: Noted for LBS action..
(j) LBS Clarification of term 'Method Statement' requested. **Action:** S.U. to email secretary with specific details.
(k) Roof Leakage. Flat 49 reported long-term leakage from the roof, which confirms reports from 46 and others. .
Action: Internal damage inspected and noted for LBS action..
LBS asserting these are Personal Reports in spite of being a fault with and threat to the communal structure.

Additional Faults reported to meeting.
(a) Leak from front cabinet of Flat 30. **Action:** Secretary report to LBS
(b) Cockroaches reported near lift shafts by Cherrie. **Action:** Report to LBS urgently. Photographs if possible. All residents urged to participate.

playday report

The activity and construction day was very positive. A temporary swing, hammock, climbing rope and den were constructed; mostly by the children, who then spontaneously began working together on new improvised projects.
A Hop-scotch grid and other painting projects were proposed.
Action. Painting day: October 6th.
Proposal: 'The Sum of £400 be allocated as a maximum budget for a permanent den-structure and other suggestions by Juniper children. Full costings and plans to be brought to next meeting for approval.'
Proposed: Jackie. Seconded: Rob. Passed unanimously.

other business

(a) Extra Noticeboard in Forecourt. We have an extra noticeboard, and it waws agreed to attach it to the binchambers after they are painted.
(b) A4 newsletter approved to promote involvement in forming a group of residents to manage events and projects.
'Grant of £25 for A4 colour reproduction.
Proposed Tim. Seconded Jackie. Passed unanimously.

dangerous parking

Residents reported persistent, dangerous parking by a high sided vehicle on Pomeroy Street, blocking visibility of oncoming traffic to all drivers trying to leave.
Approached to be made to LBS and local councillors to extend existing yellow lines, and a letter to Juniper residents to urge responsible parking.
RPZAction: Secretary and Coralie. All residents urged to participate.

RPZ

Restricted Parking Zone on Pomeroy Street. Due in large part to efforts by Tim, Peabody Estates and Lewisham Council have rectified their initial error and included the RPZ to their plans for Pomeroy Street.

painting day october 6th

> floor games (hop-scotch etc.) <

> refurbishment of bin-chambers <

> meeting room door <

> murals <

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wear suitable clothing

all adults & children welcome

juniper garden • 1pm - sunset (approx)

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cleaner greener bids

It is now very late to organise and approve a detailed multi-project proposal for Cleaner Greener funding.
The best option this year would therefore seem to be to use C&G for two core projects, and use TRA funds for anything else.
At the meeting last month, **new bike sheds and drinking fountains** were judged to be the most appropriate projects for C&G 2020 funding.
Proposed garden projects such as Raised Beds and those from the meeting of 18/07/2019, would probably be implemented faster and easier if paid for by the TRA.
Action: Tim to source Bikeshed information. Rob & Coralie to investigate options for Drinking Fountains. Secretary to collate necessary paperwork.

help needed

A dedicated group of parents is needed for this area of Juniper activity.
Requirements for C&G funding include DBS checks for projects involving children and vulnerable adults. DBS can be provided free via SGTO.
These are normally quite expensive.

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NOTICES

Juniper TRA Spending Meeting
September 24th
(Approval of budgets for projects)

Painting Day
October 6th

Juniper TRA Annual General Meeting
Juniper House Coop Annual General Meeting
both on October 10th

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useful lbs contacts

Email: repairs@southwark.gov.uk. www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs
Repairs team on 0800 952 4444 or 0207 525 2600
Repairs Coordinator, Justin Hall: 0207 525 3705
Emergency Number: 07946 220 827
Resident Services Officer:- serina.usher@southwark.gov.uk
telephone: 020 7525 5179
Repairs Manager, Gary Glover: 020 7525 3093
Complaints: complaints@southwark.gov.uk
Home Ownership Unit: 020 7525 1400
email: hsg.homeownership@southwark.gov.uk
Noise related Anti Social Behaviour 020 7525 5777 (24 hours)
Cleaning Team Leader, Raymond 0207 525 3826
Vermin: 0207 575 2000
www.southwark.gov.uk/pest-control/reporting-a-pest-problem

MINUTES. TRA MEETING #24 • 18/07/2019. Garden. 7.30pm

The meeting adjourned to the new garden table, where Juniper children had brought drawings to illustrate their ideas.

Present

Ahmed Kabba (Southwark Group of Tenants Organisations Youth Forum).
Abdulbasit (aged 7) Abdullah (aged 9) Alex (aged 10) Alfonso (aged 10) Donatello (aged 7)
Coralie Allison (flat 16) Rukayat Basaru (12) Tim Burrow (13) Rob Kenyon (32) Zeba Mohebeadali (69) Lloyd Trott (46) Clebson Vaszancellos (16) Jackie Wilford (14) Hannani Eldona.

1. Youth Forum Presentation

Ahmed explained the role of 'Youth Ambassadors' in the SGTO strategy.
These representatives are to be chosen by the young people and will be delegated to present proposals to the TRA for further action and funding.
Ideas from the group included Drinking Fountains, Swings, a Den, a Treehouse, Nets for Football Area, Football Team, Indoor Play Area, Area for Artwork.
Ahmed explained the SGTO can organise sports events and offer onsite 'playdays' and rent play equipment.
Action. Secretary to contact SGTO for full details, and for information on insurance and other requirements.
a) Ideas from group included:Swings, a treehouse, an indoor workspace, nets for goals, drinking fountains, and sports events.
b) Ahmed explained that SGTO can provide onsite Fundays and football coaching, and play equipment.
Action Secretary to contact SGTO for details. Ahmed to be CC'd into any mails.
c) Juniper TRA to return to SGTO with Cleaner Greener proposal.
d) Combined Den-Building and Barbecue day:~**August 24th.**

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 04/06/2019 were approved. unanimously.

3. Major Works.

The final notice for reporting faults has passed.
Drains on 2nd floor still flood walkways regularly. Fault reported repeatedly, but blockage now blamed on unsuitable use by residents.

4. Financial Report

TRA Grant Form nearly complete. Needs to be signed by Louis Rotsos and Vice Chair Cherrie Stephens.
The TRA spent £670 on picnic tables (both installed and stained for Winter).
Other expenditure: Office paper - £24.99. Wood preservative & Thinners - £29.20
£25 approved for special Summer colour edition of newsletter.

5. Cooperative Matters

Approval of Annual Accounts.
The meeting inspected and gave its provisional approval of the accounts for 2018/19 for the purposes of completing Financial Conduct Authority annual return. Final approval to be sought at the AGM as usual.
Meeting with Greg Robbins of Wesupport Housing to be organised to advise on final stages of coop.

6. Garden

The 2 new apple trees planted in the Spring have taken well, and the 9 Hazel trees are now over 2 years old and thriving. And trhere are always surprises in the undergrowth, like the varieties of fungi which keep appearing near the trees and on the woodchip path, especially after rain.

7. Next Meeting. September 5th.

solar latest

"The response to the scrutiny Commission's report is going to Cabinet in September. The council is now developing an overarching strategy towards decarbonisation, including the role of residential solar.

There will be more news in Oct/Nov following which we should have a clearer position on Juniper's project."

Martin Kovats. Community Projects Manager

blessed be the table-makers

Thanks to John, Coralie, Clebson, Nat, Zeba, Tim and everyone who helped in the bewildering task of assembling the new garden furniture,

and hauling it into place.

Enjoy.

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reviews:
www.broadband.co.uk/broadband/providers/hyperoptic/reviews/

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uk.trustpilot.com/review/hyperoptic.com

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www.cable.co.uk/broadband/reviews/hyperoptic-broadband/

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www.choose.co.uk/guide/hyperoptic-or-virgin-media-broadband.html

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www.ispreview.co.uk/review/isp/hyperoptic/?category=17

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Juniper TRA Meeting #25

05/09/2019 • Flat 30A • 7.30pm

Agenda

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Southwark Youth Forum Report

4) Financial Report

5) Fundraising

6) 'Cleaner Greener Awards'

9) Other Business

10) Next Meeting

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DEN-BUILDING & BARBECUE DAY

Saturday 24 August
in the garden from 1pm
EVERYONE WELCOME
(Helpers please contact flat 32)

Juniper TRA Meeting

05/09/2019 • Flat 30A • 7.30pm

(Money-Spending Ideas Night)

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ideas

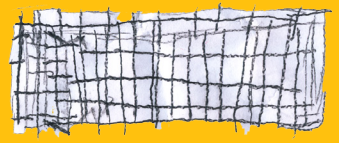
from the last meeting

by Donatello (aged 7) Abdullah (aged 9) Abdulbasit (aged 7) Alex (aged 10) Alfonso (aged 10).
Drinking Fountains • Swings • Den • Treehouse • Nets for Football Area • Football Team • Indoor Play Area
Area for Artwork • Raised beds for plants



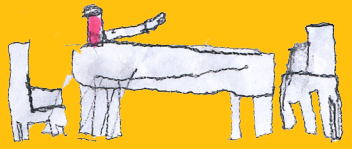












artwork Abdulbasit & Abdullah © 2019

making the ideas real

The TRA has some money for these projects, but will need to apply for 'Greener Cleaner' Funding to do them justice. Applications for this open in September.
Please bring ideas to the Barbecue on the 24th August, and TRA meeting on September 5th.
To recieve Greener Cleaner Funding, we will have to work as a team to provide the information below.

- A signed copy of the Conditions of Grant Funding document, with:
- A completed financial breakdown of capital grant (including details on any other funding awarded to your project)
- A completed programme of works (this can be a rough estimate).
- A simple map of the exact location of your project.
- Our Constitution
- Our bank account details on letterhead paper.
- Audited accounts or financial statement
- Latest annual report (if available)
- Equal opportunities policy/statement
- A list (names and addresses) of management committee members
- Our safeguarding policy (since will be working with children)
- Up to date insurances, including theft, fire, employer's liability and third party damages, which cover the extent of the proposed project.
- Any other information, including confirmation that Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly known as CRB) checks have been carried out.

throwing garbage from balconies is disgusting, dangerous - AND can mean eviction



And it's not as if it isn't obvious where it comes from...

Report Anti-Social Behaviour at:

www.southwark.gov.uk/noise-and-antisocial-behaviour.

telephone: 0207 525 577

Or to:

Resident Services Officer:

Serina.Usher@southwark.gov.uk

telephone: 0207 525 5179

free swimming lessons

Southwark Council is offering residents over 16 of all abilities a free, 12 week course of lessons, at LBS leisure centres, operated by *Everyone Active*.

To find out more and to register visit: www.southwark.gov.uk/freelessons

At certain times, Southwark residents can use swimming pools and gym facilities for free, at all council leisure centres. More information online.

Useful LBS Contacts

Repairs Team

Email: repairs@southwark.gov.uk

Online: www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs.

Telephone: 0800 952 4444 or 0207 525 2600

Repairs Coordinator, Justin Hall: 0207 525 3705.

Repairs Manager, Gary Glover: 020 7525 3093

Emergency Number: 07946 220 827

Complaints: complaints@southwark.gov.uk

Resident Services Officer,

serina.usher@southwark.gov.uk

telephone: 020 7525 5179

Home Ownership Unit: 020 7525 1400

email: hsg.homeownership@southwark.gov.uk

Noise-related Anti-Social Behaviour

020 7525 5777 (24 hours)

Cleaning Team Leader, Raymond 0207 525 3826

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DEN-BUILDING & BARBECUE DAY

Saturday 24 August

in the garden from 1pm

EVERYONE WELCOME

(Helpers please contact flat 32)

Juniper TRA Meeting

Thursday 5th September

Flat 30A

7.30 pm

(Babysitting Allowance Available)

Garden



Get your **plums** now before it's too late. Most of the early red variety have already fallen or been harvested, but there are still the dark red and golden varieties to look forward to over the next two weeks.



A **Viola** seen in the lawn in late June. The council mowed the lawn mown before it could set seed, so we might not see it again. Do we really need to have the grass cut so often?



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'**The ring-necked parakeet**'s native range stretches from west Africa across lowland India .

They feed on a wide variety of fruit, berries, nuts, seeds, grain and household scraps.

Media coverage occasionally suggests that a cull of ring-necked parakeets may be necessary, due to their rapidly expanding numbers and concerns about their potential impact on native bird species such as woodpeckers, starlings and nuthatches, through competition for nest holes.

The RSPB is not in favour of a cull of parakeets at this time, but believes it is important that the spread of the ring-necked parakeet is monitored and its potential for negative impacts on our native bird species assessed. '

Read more at:
www.rspb.org.uk/

Repairs

The **'End of Defect Inspections'** walkabout on June 24th was our last chance to regiser any complaints related to the Major Works

Representatives from A&E Elkins agreed to record several items



including blocked drains and cracks to brickwork, but refused to accept that the block was never cleaned on completion of the works.

A full list of reported faults will be published when available.

For any issues related to the major Works contact:
Contract Manager, Chris Ayton • chris.ayton@southwark.gov.uk • 0793 993 8817

Cleaner Greener Safer Capital Grants

Cleaner Greener Safer funding has been available in the form of grants since 2012. Community Councils wanted to give organisations and community groups the chance to manage their own projects and take an active role in transforming their local areas.

Since 2012, 352 grants have been awarded to tenants and residents groups and community organisations. 235 have been completed to date. Ranging from £100 for small gardening projects to £30,000 contributions to large construction projects, the programme is as varied as the ideas you propose.

Who Can Apply

- any constituted local group.
- new and emerging local groups.
- any group or individual that has a sponsor, which is a constituted local organisation, and is willing to administer the funds on their behalf.
- groups that are based in the community council area.
- organisations that have a track record of delivering activities in the local area.
- groups that are working together on a shared project.

Past CGS Awards

- Estate greening, community gardens, landscaping, food growing and wildlife areas
- Community facilities improvements, youth facilities, recycling and artwork.
- Transforming unused areas, security measures and tackling 'grot spots'
- School improvements, including planting and signage for clean air zones, sports and play equipment and outdoor classrooms
- **Surrey Docks Farm used CGS funding to install solar panelling**.

CGS funding can only be spent on capital improvements, which means permanent, physical changes. It also means that it must be spent on the original proposal, or on the elements selected for funding by your local councillors.

If you're interested in knowing more about revenue funding, visit the Neighbourhoods Fund website. **www.southwark.gov.uk/engagement-and-consultations/grants-and-funding/neighbourhoods-fund**

Applicationas are open from September. Please bring all ideas to the next TRA meeting.

Juniper TRA Meeting #24

18/07/2019 • Flat 30A • 7.30pm

Agenda

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Southwark Youth Forum

4) Outstanding Major Works Faults

5) Financial Report

6) Cooperative Business.
Provisional approval of 2018-19 accounts

7) Garden Report

8) Discussion of Southwark Cleaner Greener Award ideas

9) Other Business

10) Next Meeting

Spare Room

As you can see, the News sometimes has room for all your PHOTOS, STORIES, COMPLAINTS, NEWS, ITEMS FOR SALE OR RECYCLING, RECIPES, and SUGGESTIONS.

Anything you care to share would be useful and fun.

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Juniper

Southwark Youth Forum Visit

Thursday

18/07/2019

7.30pm

Flat 30A, Juniper House

Young People of all Ages Especially Welcome

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Are you a young person living in Southwark who wants to make a difference?

Southwark Youth Forum needs YOUR ideas. It can:

- Provide the tools and support to make the changes you want to see.
- Help Fund and promote Youth-Led Events and Projects.
- Provide a way of sharing your ideas with a new network of people.

Meetings: 6pm. Wednesdays.
19 Buller Close, London SE15 6UJ
Enquiries: TEL: 020 7639 6718

MINUTES. TRA MEETING #23 • 04/06/2019. Flat 30A

Present. Tim Burrow (13) Coralie Allison (16). Rob Kenyon (32). Lloyd Trott (46). Jackie Wilford (14).

1. Apologies. No apologies for absence.

2. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting.
Minutes approved.

3. Matters Arising from Minutes.
a) Outstanding Major Works Repairs.
i). Rainwater downpipes still overflowing on walkways.
ii). Outstanding faults reported to door and windows fitted during major works flat 18.
iii). Leak in flat 49 since major works.
• The meeting agreed to be available for the Walkabout on 24th June (9am).
LBS to be notified.
a) Routine Repairs.
i) Lloyd reported recurrence of long-standing leak from roof. Flat 46.
c) Garden Proposal arising from minutes of previous meeting ("3d Garden Access").
The garden group wishes to remove one panel of fencing along the main (woodchip) path to enable access from the formal activity area to the garden and social area.
Plans have been presented to all residents for comments and objections (May 8th).
No objections recieved in the month prior to tonight's meeting, or at the meeting itself.
All doorstep comments avaliable have been positive.

Proposal: To remove one section of fencing (see plan) in order to:
• Increase security of Ground Floor flats by increasing resident use of garden space.
• Improve access to lawn and Hazel Garden from path and games area.
• Encourage range and diversity of garden use, and maximise involvement.
Proposed R.K. Seconded JMW. Passed unanimously.
d) Area Forum Report Matters Arising (6A).
i) Youth Forum sessions to be booked via SGTO office. Youth Forum to be invited to next meeting.
Action: secretary.
ii) The Area Forum seems in imminent danger of complete digitisation.
Against opposition from most groups.

4) Finance.
2017/18 accounts now completed by Southwark Group of Tenants' Organisations.
Ready for approval by General Meeting.
No grant received for 2018/19, but application form for next year ready for completion and submission in September.

5) Gardening Report & Proposals
Many trees in the garden are displaying signs of distress, others need attention to prevent intrusion and light-deprivation to flats, and will need urgent work this Autumn to ensure their health and survival.
If LBS will not undertake this work, it makes sense that the TRA finance it. Doing it this way also incurs no extra burden on service charges.
a) The Garden Group seeks permission to cost and commission remedial tree surgery for the Autumn and bring estimates to TRA meeting as soon as possible for approval.
Proposed R. Kenyon. Seconded. J. Wilford. Passed unanimously
b) The Garden Group seeks permission to cost and commission the coppicing (ground reduction) of feral Cherries within the Hazel Wood in order to extend their life-span, create a more diverse cyclical ecosystem, and a more layered design.
Proposed R. Kenyon. Seconded J. Wilford. Passed unanimously.

6) Any Other Business.
Cooperative committee meeting required to discuss windup arrangements.
11/06/2019. 30A.

7. Next Meeting.
Thursday 18/07/2019. 7.30 Flat 30A.

8. Siting of New Garden Furniture.
The meeting adjourned to the garden to assess the best sites for the new tables.
No firm decision reached. Matter to be brought back to next meeting.

Don't Ask - Don't Get

The TRA has plenty of money to spend on equipment and events for young people. The council has even more.

But unless you *tell* them what you want, *loudly*, the money doesn't get spent, and nobody benefits.

So bring your ideas to the Juniper Youth Meeting. A representative from Southwark Youth Forum will be there to answer any questions.

18/07/2019 • Flat 30A • 7.30pm

ACADEMIC SUPPORT
GROUP DISCUSSIONS

GAMES NIGHTS
DRAMA & ARTS
WORKSHOPS

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS

MUSIC & DANCE WORKSHOPS

& much more

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Juniper TRA Meeting
Southwark Youth Forum Visit

Tuesday • 18/07/2019 • 7.30pm

Flat 30A, Juniper House

Young People of all Ages Especially Welcome.

(see back page)

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'Juniper House End of Defect Inspections'

This is our last chance to finally ensure that any defects from the **Major Works** are remedied, *whether to Leaseholds or Tenancies..*

The walkabout will take place on

Monday 24th June 2019 between 9am - 11am
If there is anything related to the Major Works you are not happy with, contact:
Contract Manager, Chris Ayton
chris.ayton@southwark.gov.uk • 0793 993 8817

MINUTES. TRA MEETING (#22)

30/04/2019. Flat 30A

Present. Tim Burrow (13) Rob Kenyon (32). Rhiannon (12) Cherrie Stevens (39). Jackie Wilford (14). Lloyd Trott (46). Serina Usher (LBS).

1. Apologies. Coralie Allisson.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting. Approved.

3. Repairs Report with Serina Usher (LBS), From monthly inspection today.
a) Faulty front door and kitchen window reported. flat 18. Serina recommended that faults of this kind be reported directly to LBS Repairs.
b) Faulty balcony light (flat 46). Serina to report directly for action.
Rhiannon to check all lights and report back.
c) Urgent surgery required to Juniper tree in front border, and to tree root under foundations of flat 1.
Serina to report directly for action.
d) Garden Access. The garden group wishes to remove one panel of fencing along the main (woodchip) path to enable access from the formal activity area to the garden and social area. Plans presented to the meeting. Residents contacted on doorsteps thus far have raised no objections.
Proposal approved by meeting for circulation to all residents and to LBS for final approval.
e) Top Floor door-sills are weathering badly and need servicing soon. The meeting was informed that this was covered by **'Cyclical Maintenance'**, which contradicted previous information that Repairs are now on a **'Cure is Better than Prevention'** basis.
f) 30A. Serina to contact Ian Brindley at Community Department.
g) Block letter from Serina targeting antisocial, unsanitary behaviour of a very few residents in not disposing of nappies and condoms correctly .

4. Matters Arising from Minutes.
a) New Amended Juniper House Constitution signed by Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and members.
b) Parking. Tim in correspondence with London Borough of Lewisham to clarify why Pomeroy Street was not designated as a Controlled Parking Zone, given the shift from commercial to high-density residential use of Lewisham land, and the existing free commercial parking situation on the street.
Report to next meeting for any decision on action.
c) Gates.
No proposals for immediate action other than to secure gates open.

5. Solar Project Report
Individual responses sent to LBS Scrutiny as proposed at previous meeting.
Reply from LBS that "concerns would be taken into account".
Action. Secretary to press for meeting at LBS, as assured by Martin Kovats LBS at previous meeting.

6. Area Forum Report (Lloyd Trott)
a) At the last forum, Lloyd enquired whether LBS was monitoring the rate of sell-offs of long-standing residents after being presented with bills for major contract works, and the effects of its charging policy on the communities involved. No response from Home Ownership Department yet.
b) LBS grants to TRAs to be based on £5/person.
c) Youth Forum Visit dates to be set.
d) Implementation of new TRA Resident Involvement structure delayed.

7. Any Other Business.
a) Garden Tables. Tim has priced garden tables as authorised by Juniper meeting 01.08.2016.
The meeting agreed to purchase two tables. £390/£360 respectively.
b) Office Paper. The meeting authorised expenditure on another year's supply of printer paper.

8. Next Meeting.
04/06/2019 .

Garden Spending

Many trees in the garden are carrying dead and diseased branches, are displaying signs of distress, and will need urgent work this Autumn to ensure their health and survival. Including the Plum Trees, Ash, Juniper, and others which need attention to prevent intrusion and light-deprivation to flats. Some need to be reduced to create further diversity in specific areas.

Southwark is proving very tardy in undertaking this essential and overdue work. So in the interest of preserving the garden, it makes sense that the TRA invest some of its own reserves in employing a treee surgeon to do work LBS won't. We have enough money, and have hardly spent any of it yet. Doing it this way also incurs no extra burden on service charges.

The garden has always been the prize asset of Juniper House, enhancing the quality of life for all residents - not to mention spicing property values. It is essential we maintain it if LBS does not have the capacity to do so.

A proposal is to ne brought to the meeting on **Tuesday 4th June** to enable the work to be commissioned.

Juniper TRA Meeting

April 30th 2019 • Flat 30A • 7.30pm

Agenda

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

a) Outstanding Major Works Faults.

including: Blocked rainwater Drains. Faulty front doors and kitchen windows. Leaks into bedrooms from roof.

Report session on known faults, and discussion on alternative time and date for walkabout.

b) Outstanding issues reported to last meeting.

Including: Progress on flat 30A. Surgery required to Juniper tree in front border. Block letter from Serina targeting antisocial behaviour.

4) Financial Report

5) Gardening Report & Proposals

a) The Garden Group seeks permission to cost and commission remedial tree surgery for the Autumn and bring estimates to TRA meeting as soon as possible for approval.

b) The Garden Group seeks permission to cost and commission the coppicing (ground reduction) of feral Cherries within the Hazel Wood in order to create a more diverse cyclical ecosystem and layered design.

6) Other Business

7) Next Meeting

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Juniper TRA Meeting

7.30pm

Tuesday, 04/06/2019

Flat 30A • Juniper House

£10/hour Babysitting allowance available.

All New Residents Especially Welcome.

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'Juniper House End of Defect Inspections'

It is our last chance to finally ensure that any defects from the **Major Works** are remedied, *whether to Leaseholds or Tenancies..*

Please bring any concerns about work done during the 2017/18 Major Works Contract to the Juniper Meeting on Tuesday.

A walkabout has been proposed for **Monday 17th June 2019 at 9am,** which is a totally unsuitable time for most residents, however convenient it may be for LBS. We obviously need to agree a time more convenient for ***us*** at our meeting on Tuesday, and get back to them.

The end of defect letters will be sent out to all residents shortly.

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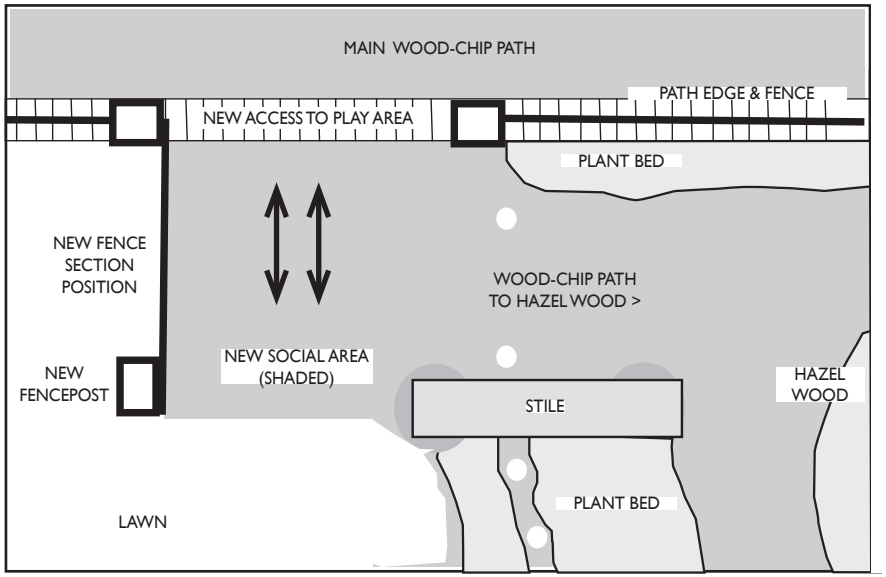
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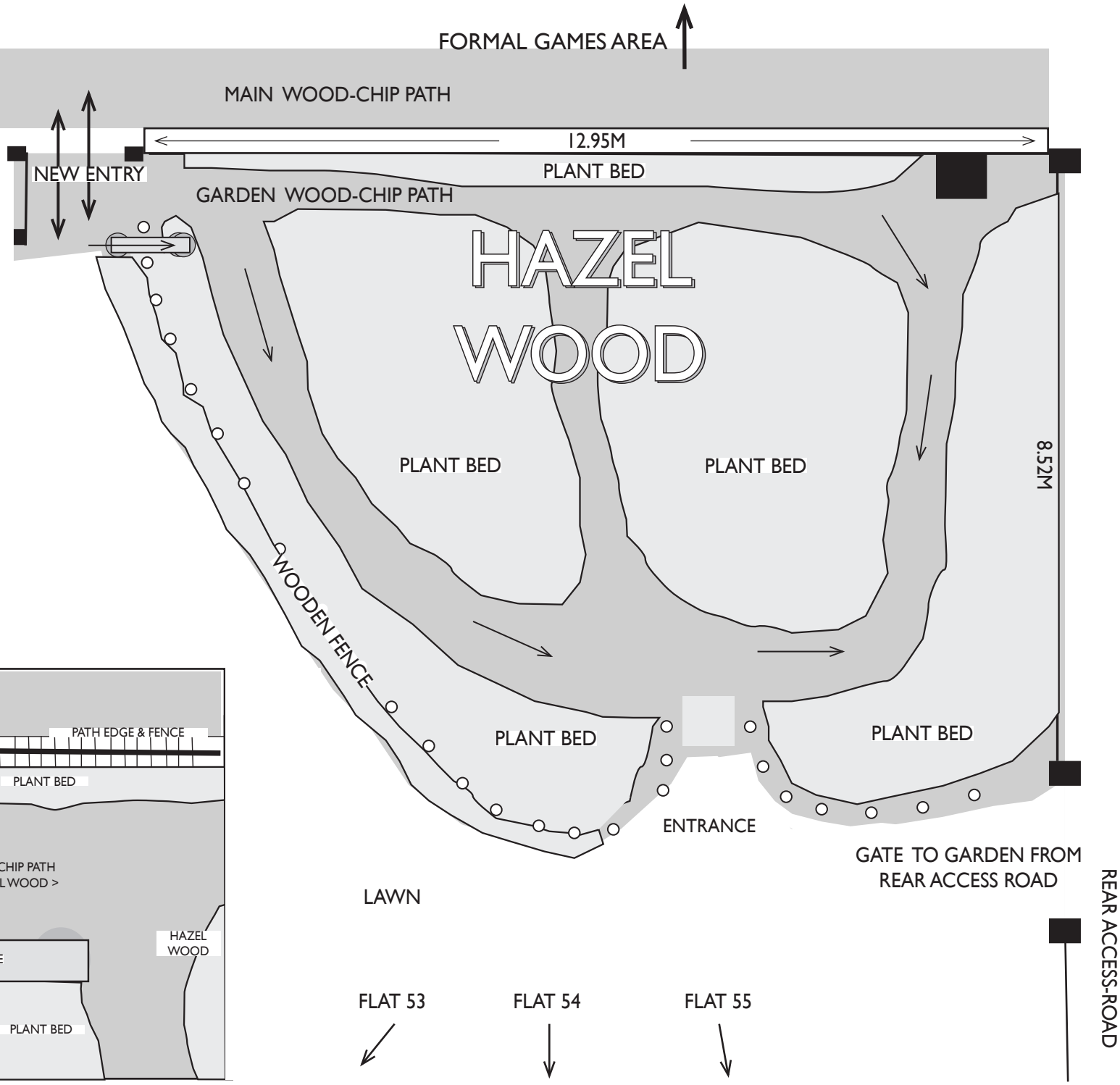
In order to:

- Increase security of Ground Floor flats by increasing resident use of garden space.
- Improve access to lawn and Hazel Garden from path and games area.
- Encourage range and diversity of garden use, and maximise involvement.
- Help restore accessibility of original garden design.

Please provide comments by next TRA meeting: 04/06/2019. Flat 30A.

To: the secretary. Flat 32 Juniper House.
email sec.junipertra@gmail.
tel. 0207 732 8493





MINUTES. TRA MEETING (#22)
30/04/2019. Flat 30A

Present. Tim Burrow (13) Rob Kenyon (32). Rhiannon (12) Cherrie Stevens (39). Jackie Wilford (14). Lloyd Trott (46). Serina Usher (LBS).

1. Apologies. Coralie Allisson.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting. Approved.

3. Repairs Report with Serina Usher (LBS), From monthly inspection today.
a) Faulty front door and kitchen window reported. flat 18. Serina recommended that faults of this kind be reported directly to LBS Repairs.
b) Faulty balcony light (flat 46). Serina to report directly for action.
Rhiannon to check all lights and report back.
c) Urgent surgery required to Juniper tree in front border, and to tree root under foundations of flat 1.
Serina to report directly for action.
d) Garden Access. The garden group wishes to remove one panel of fencing along the main (woodchip) path to enable access from the formal activity area to the garden and social area. Plans presented to the meeting. Residents contacted thus far have raised no objections.
Proposal to be circulated, and forwarded to LBS for approval.
e) Top Floor door-sills are weathering badly and need servicing soon. The meeting was informed that this was covered by 'Cyclical Maintenance', which contradicted previous information that Repairs are now on a 'Cure is Better than Prevention' basis.
f) 30A. Serina to contact Ian Brindley at Community Department.
g) Block letter from Serina targeting antisocial, unsanitary behaviour of a very few residents in not disposing of nappies and condoms correctly .

4. Matters Arising from Minutes.
a) New Amended Juniper House Constitution signed by Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and members.
b) Parking. Tim in correspondence with London Borough of Lewisham to clarify why Pomeroy Street was not designated as a Controlled Parking Zone, given the shift from commercial to high-density residential use of Lewisham land, and the existing free commercial parking situation on the street. Report to next meeting for any decision on action.
c) Gates.
No proposals for immediate action other than to secure gates open.

5. Solar Project Report
Individual responses sent to LBS Scrutiny as proposed at previous meeting.
Reply from LBS that "concerns would be taken into account".
Action. Secretary to press for meeting at LBS, as assured by Martin Kovats LBS at previous meeting.

6. Area Forum Report (Lloyd Trott)
a) At the last forum, Lloyd enquired whether LBS was monitoring the rate of sell-offs of long-standing residents after being presented with bills for major contract works, and the effects of its charging policy on the communities involved. No response from Home Ownership Department yet.
b) LBS grants to TRAs to be based on £5/ person.
c) Youth Forum Visit dates to be set.
d) Implementation of new TRA Resident Involvement structure delayed.

7. Any Other Business.
a) Garden Tables. Tim has priced garden tables as authorised by Juniper meeting 01.08.2016.
The meeting agreed to purchase two garden tables. **£390/£360** respectively.
b) Office Paper. The meeting authorised expenditure on another year's supply of printer paper.

8. Next Meeting.
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MICE

Southwark say they will treat the block for mice if

10% of flats are effected.

In our case that means 8 reports.

Please phone or report online at:

0207 575 2000

www.southwark.gov.uk/pest-control/reporting-a-pest-problem

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Meantime, for the desperate,
Juniper has its own
'Rat-Zapper™' for loan.
Apply flat 32.



Thanks to Daryl

estate walkabout inspection with LBS

(Generally the last Tuesday of the Month)

Tuesday 30th April 2019, approx. 11am.

Report problems in person
and make suggestions for improvements.

Please meet at the entrance of the block if you wish to take part.

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new



Greater Spotted Woodpecker

Now fully resident in the garden. An unmistakeable bird who likes DIY.
Often to be heard drilling about tea-time.
Especially in the big Poplar near the ball-cage.

planning a barbecue this summer?

feel free to use the de-luxe, party-sized

Juniper smoker-barbecue

(no deposit)

apply flat 32.

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neighbours



Ring-Necked Parakeet

Usually prefers to live uphill among the rich folks, but has finally braved the floodplains to take advantage of the holes left in trees by the Woodpeckers.
Very green, very noisy.

Juniper TRA Meeting

April 30th 2019 • Flat 30A • 7.30pm

Agenda

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

4) Solar PV Report.

6) Meeting Room Progress.

7) Other Business

9) Next Meeting

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mains water shutdown • may 2nd

Services effected: toilets, baths, showers, and wash hand basins.

Duration: from 9am for approximately 4 hours.

for more information contact:
Repairs Team 0800 952 4444 • 0297 525 2600
www.southwark.gov.uk/blocks

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your views and stories

Please share your experiences of living at Juniper House via this newsletter.

All contributions welcome.

Send to sec.junipertra@gmal.com, or deliver to 32 Juniper House.

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Pomeroy Street Parking Bungle

courtesy of lewisham borough council

The new residential developments across the road were both allowed on the basis that car use/ownership will be zero. This is usually secured by removing the right for any future occupant to apply for a parking permit should a **Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ)** exist. This restriction is set out in the section 106 agreement (a legal agreement which forms part of the planning permission) and this may also require some wording to go into the leases or tenancies.

Unfortunately **Lewisham Borough Council** have forgotten to add this restriction to the section 106 agreement for the larger development currently under construction.

This means that there is no mechanism to stop residents of this block parking cars on Pomeroy Street despite the impact of the development being assessed as a low or zero car development.

I have asked the council's planners to ask Peabody to add this restriction retrospectively.

Tim Burrow

MINUTES. JUNIPER HOUSE TRA GENERAL MEETING • 19/03/2019. Flat 30A

Present. Coralie Allison (16). Tim Burrow (13) Aft Hussain (70). Rob Kenyon (32). Cherrie Stevens (39). Jackie Wilford (14). Martin Kovats LBS.

1 Apologies. Flat 44

2. Approval of Minutes

a) of last July 24/2018 TRA meeting. Approved.
b) Minutes of Annual General Meeting 27/11/2018 . Approved.

3. Solar Project Report. Martin Kovats LBS. **(SEE REPORT ON BACK PAGE)**

4. Matters Arising. from 24/7/2018.

Contract Service Charges. Stephanie Flynn, Collections Team Leader. Exchequer, Finance & Governance Department, attended the inquorate January 29 TRA meeting. An informal session was held to deliver feedback from those present.

a) There was little support/information when it came to selecting a payment option for the major works.

b) There was no confirmation of acceptance or rejection of selected payment option, resulting in delays and missed first payments.

c) More communication is needed. For example a drop-in event or consultation like the ones at the outset of the major works.

d) More support is needed for those who missed the payment options or selected the wrong one.

e) What is LBS's aim? If it is to help existing communities stay together then they need to help by keeping other payment options open to switch to if people are falling behind.
Stephanie reported that the final bill would be delivered soon. It has still not arrived.

5. Amendments to LBS Model Constitution as follows:

a) 'SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING' (18) to read:
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Proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded: Martin Hughes. Passed Unanimously.

b) 'QUORUM' (19)
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Proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded: Martin Hughes. Voted: Unanimously.

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proposed RK. seconded: Cherrie Stevens.
Voted: Unanimously.
Secretary to notify Louis Rotsos of LBS.

6. Meeting Room. Volunteers needed for:
a) Risk Assessment officer. Coralie volunteered to complete. RK to forward LBS contact details.
b) Fire Safety Training. No volunteers yet.

7. Pomeroy Street Parking

a) Complaints have been made by various residents to **Ace Hire** regarding long-term commercial parking of its fleet on Pomeroy Street. Since when, a notable reduction was reported to the meeting.
Residents also reported seeing vans with hoods open on the street.
One resident reported that he had complained about this problem to Ace some years ago, presenting video evidence, and was assured it would not continue.
Action: Residents to monitor closely and report further relapses. Ace have stated that they are prepared to move any vehicles parked unsuitably.

b) 'Enterprise' have also been habitually parking in an extremely inconsiderate position, blocking visibility from the Juniper exit.
Action. Chair to telephone.

c) Tim has identified Planning failure in new Lewisham development on Pomeroy St.
The intended **Controlled Parking Zone** was accidentally omitted from the final submission - which was accidentally approved.
If left unrectified this could lead to additional congestion.
Actions: Tim to continue correspondence with LBL, and supply secretary with summary for newsletter.
• Flyer for residents of Pomeroy Street if wider support for our case needed.
• Peabody Estates also need to be contacted and reminded of their duty as a socially responsible developer.

d) Speed limit and ENTRY markings have become obscured since the crossing was moved, and need re-painting..
Action: Coralie to provide secretary with detailed list of issues, for appropriate distribution.

8. Any Other Business.

The entry and exit gates seem beyond repair, of poor design, and need replacement with something better and simpler. The counter-weighted, vertical barriers to the Pomeroy Estate were suggested as an alternative.

This should be the responsibility of LBS. But the TRA could probably afford to pay for it.

To be brought to LBS attention, and back to TRA meeting for discussion..

9. Next Meeting.
April 30th. 30A Juniper House. 7.30pm.

To report antisocial or suspicious behaviour visit www.met.police.uk. • or call 101, or Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111
Twitter @mpsNunhead • Email: nunhead.snt@met.police.uk
Nunhead office. 0208 721 2445

solar project discussion

general meeting • 19/03/2019

Martin Kovats (MK) of LBS Gave a presentation of LBS environmental intentions including:
a) Commitment to Carbon neutrality by 2050.
b) Commitment to sourcing all municipal electricity from renewable supplies within 12 months.
c) Juniper to be used as pilot LBS scheme for its Sustainable Energy strategy on social housing blocks. LBS is fitting solar PV systems to its 'new-build' projects, but has no experience of installing systems to existing housing stock.
e) The conclusion of the Building Research Establishment report was that there would be 'no return on total Capital Investment within 25 years'. Especially considering that 'Feed In Tariffs' have been effectively eliminated, and cannot be regarded as a source of income for recovery of capital outlay.
f) Complete BRE report to be forwarded for inspection.

Meeting Comments on Building Research Establishment Report.

Martin Hughes (MH). Was disappointed that BRE neglected to contact him during the process given his extensive experience of precisely this kind of project. This might have rectified any misconceptions and saved time.
The BME report does not constitute a reason for not pursuing the project. The large-scale approach adopted by LBS tends to discourage individual initiatives. To achieve its objectives in a diverse housing environment, LBS needs to adopt a far more incremental strategy; targeting achievable goals. As at Juniper.

Jackie Wilford (JW). Felt that the BRE report was based on the false premise that Juniper is seeking any return on investment other than the elimination of the relevant Service Charges.
It also seemed to work on the assumption that LBS was bearing the Capital expense of the project. Which is misleading.

Rob Kenyon (RK). LBS should be taking the opportunity to use Juniper estate (and funding) as a technical experiment, not a financial one.
The burden on Juniper of managing both the TRA and Juniper Housing Cooperative was proving to be unsustainable, and was sapping the energy of the TRA.

Tim Burrow (TB). Are existing lights due to be replaced with LED bulbs soon? This measure will also reduce community energy consumption. MK. The matter is being considered for gradual implementation.
LBS is also exploring the possibility of becoming a Civic Power Generator, using exclusively renewable sources.

MH Sought assurances that Juniper comments be appended to the BRE reported, and to LBS Scrutiny. MH agreed to undertake specialist assessment of report, and forward to MK.
LBS Action. MK to:
a) Get costings for 'roofing side' of project.
b) Pass results to LBS Scrutiny for processing.

Juniper Action. Members at meeting to write to LBS scrutiny independently, stating their reasons for supporting the project. **(Helen Dennis, Chair of Housing & Environment Scrutiny Commission).** Secretary to circulate relevant address.

MK sought formal assurance from meeting of intention to proceed with the project.
Passed Unanimously

Copies of full BRE Report available from the secretary: sec.junipertra@gmail.com. • flat 32

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Useful LBS Contacts

Email: repairs@southwark.gov.uk
Online: www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs
Repairs team on 0800 952 4444 or 0207 525 2600
Repairs Coordinator, Justin Hall: 0207 525 3705
Emergency Number: 07946 220 827
Resident Services Officer, serina.usher@southwark.gov.uk
telephone: 020 7525 5179
Repairs Manager, Gary Glover: 020 7525 3093
Complaints: complaints@southwark.gov.uk
Home Ownership Unit: 020 7525 1400
email: hsg.homeownership@southwark.gov.uk
Noise related Anti Social Behaviour 020 7525 5777 (24 hours)
Cleaning Team Leader, Raymond 0207 525 3826

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

General Meeting

March 19th 2019 • Flat 30A • 7.30pm

Agenda

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

a) Contract service charges. b) Security issues

4) New Constitution Approval and Amendments (see inside)

5) Solar PV progress. Martin Kovats LBS.

Report of LBS forum and of site consultation by Building Research Establishment.

6) Meeting Room progress. Volunteers needed.

7) Pomeroy Street parking problems.

Entrances to Junioper blocked, congestion etc.

8) Other Business

Decorating bin store. Spare paint and old brushes needed.

9) Next Meeting

Proposed Changes to Juniper Constitution

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Free Courses

Whether you take part in TRA activities or not these free One-Day courses are a bargain.

Level 3 Emergency First Aid — Saturday 16 March (Last few places) 9.15am-4.30pm, Rachel Leigh Hall SE17

This session covers the use a defibrillator and you get to practice how to use one

Level 2 Safeguarding — Thursday 21 March 9.15am-4.30pm. Canada Hall SE16

This is a "MUST-DO" course for anyone who cares about being part of a healthy community – For volunteers who care about their community's well being

Essential Fire Safety — Saturday 30 March 10am-2.30pm. Rachel Leigh Hall SE17

If you have fire extinguishers in your hall, this course is ESSENTIAL

Halls - Share and Learn — Wednesday 17 April 6.30pm-8.30pm. Rennie

Take advantage of this unique opportunity to meet with other hall volunteers and share your working practices and learn new ones.

Level 2 Food Hygiene — Tuesday 14 May 9.15am-4.30pm. Canada Hall SE16

This course is for any volunteer who wants to prepare food and drink for community events and meetings.

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You can book your place on any of this training using the link below, first time user will need to **'Register'** for training using the same link first.

www.southwarkcouncilcommunityengagementscheme.virtual-college.co.uk/

If you have problems using the online booking system or would like more information about training availability, please feel free to contact me directly using the contact details below

Regards

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Juniper TRA General Meeting

To Approve New Constitution

plus LBS representative

Martin Kovats on the Solar Project

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plus discussion on

Pomeroy Street parking problems.

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7.30pm Tuesday, 19/03/2019

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southwark high-speed broadband

From email by Andrew Jones • LBS Business Development Executive
more details to follow by mail

1. What is the Southwark full-fibre broadband rollout programme?
The Council recently signed a non-exclusive agreement with two full-fibre broadband providers: ***Community Fibre*** and ***Hyperoptic***. Both providers will be rolling-out ultrafast broadband connections to all of our residential properties over the next 18-24 months. In addition, both organisations will be providing free connections to TRA and Community Halls and delivering digital inclusion training.

What is full-fibre broadband, and why is this work important?
Full-fibre broadband provides 'gigabit-capable' broadband connections. These fast connections are becoming important as we significantly increase our use of online services.

What does the full-fibre broadband rollout mean for me?
The rollout will provide access to a full-fibre, gigabit-capable, broadband connection from both providers. However, there is no requirement for you to switch to this new connection, and this work will not affect your current service.

Will these works cause any disruption?
The council is working with both broadband providers to ensure minimal disruption for residents during the installations. This includes, wherever possible, working with TRAs to keep residents informed of planned works.
Please contact our Better Broadband team at **Better.Broadband@southwark.gov.uk** if you have any comments.

How will I know when I can sign up?
You will receive letters from each of the broadband providers, notifying you of when they will be in your area and explaining the sign up process.
Both **Community Fibre** and **Hyperoptic** will also be attending TRA meetings during the rollout proces.

What else are the broadband providers offering?
We have agreed that both providers will deliver a free always-on connection to TRA and Community Halls located on or near Southwark housing estates. **As a resident you will be able to connect to this with your own device without charge.**

What other actions is the council taking to improve connectivity across the borough?
• With regard to short-term solutions, the council is installing wireless broadband (Wi-Fi) aerials on the rooftops of a selection of the council's social housing blocks. Operated by broadband provider ***Relish***, and capable of delivering superfast (in excess of 24Mbps) speeds.
• Beyond this programme, and briefly mentioned above, the council submitted an application to the **Local Full Fibre Networks Challenge Fund**, which is being run by the **Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport**, to secure funding to build two new fibre networks across Bermondsey and Rotherhithe.

Where can I find more information about the services provided by these new service providers?
Each of the providers has a website where you can find out more information about their services:

www.communityfibre.co.uk • www.hyperoptic.com

solar project glitch

Sadly, assurances at the inspection were misleading, but not fatal.

Draft conclusion on the Juniper Solar Project by the Building Research Establishment.
We are assured by LBS that this is "just another step in this process, not the end."

Conclusion

(with obvious responses)

1. 'There is significant variation in loads between the 3 intakes at Juniper House, with intake 1 consuming approximately twice as much as the other intakes. Half hourly metering or further monitoring of loads will help understand the electricity consumption in more detail. An LED retrofit scheme will deliver instant energy savings for the landlords supply, reducing costs to tenants and leaseholders. Transferring onto a renewable electricity tariff will also deliver carbon savings without any capital expenditure.'

(LBS should be retro-fitting LED's throughout the borough. Why should we pay for it? Transferring to a renewable supplier is also an LBS duty.)

2. 'The cost of access equipment (i.e. scaffolding) to install and maintain a solar PV system is the biggest influencing factor on a solar PV installation at Juniper House. It is estimated that the project costs far outweigh any financial benefit seen from off-set electricity costs and (if available) income derived from exporting surplus electricity to the grid. Access equipment costs for the solar PV scenarios have been based on an estimate provided to LBS and should be investigated in more detail. Installing a PV system at a time when access equipment is required for other maintenance will make a significant difference to the business case. '

(We are donating most of the 'project costs'. It is not a loan to be repaid.)

3. 'An assessment should be made to check whether the roof structure is capable of withstanding the loads of a PV array. Requirements for structural reinforcements could add additional cost on to a solar PV project.'

(It's a new roof. If it can't bear the load, what can?)

4. 'High level modelling has been completed for eight different system options, namely, south and east facing scenarios for both PV only and PV + battery for a maximized system and an optimised system for increasing self-consumption. There is no business case for a battery with a PV system that is optimised for daytime electricity consumption. Solar on both the south (9.7kW) and west (27.5kW) roof and inclusion of energy storage has the potential to cover all electricity requirements for Juniper House. The cost of battery systems are continually reducing and this option may become more cost effective for LBS in the future.

5. Although an east facing array will deliver approximately 7% less generated electricity than a south facing array, the potential for reduced cost of access equipment, continued easier access for maintenance and less shading issues, make a solar PV array on the east facing roof a better option for Juniper House. Without a guaranteed export tariff after March 2019 there is no benefit to LBS of the tenants to install a PV system that generates more electricity than the daytime consumption of Juniper House.'

(We want to generate energy for night-time consumption, not for during the day.)

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Please bring your questions and concerns to the meeting with Martin Kovats of LBS.
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Why?

If we can't get the Constitution approved, we have no rights or powers as a TRA. Decisions on this and other important matters have been delayed because several meetings were insufficiently attended.

We have been told by LBS that we only need to have 6 properties represented at a General Meeting for it to be valid. But we are unable even to achieve that.

Meetings last about 90 minutes maximum, and are very friendly and organised. And while the Meeting Room is no palace, it is all we have for the time being, and will be refurbished soon.

If there is something we are doing wrong, or which stops you from participating, please let us know. Please support your TRA.

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Juniper TRA
General Meeting
To Approve New Constitution
plus LBS representative
Martin Kovats
on the Solar Project
7.30pm
Tuesday, 19/03/2019
Flat 30A • Juniper House
All Residents Welcome
£10/hour Babysitting allowance available

estate lighting data

Please check these figures against your Service Charge and Rent Statements. If there are any discrepancies, please bring them to the meeting tomorrow or report to flat 32.

Electricity/lighting charges 2017/18 by flat size

Provided by LBS February 2019:

4 Bed - £87.26
3 Bed - £76.36
2 Bed - £65.45
1 Bed - £54.54
Bedsit - £43.63
Average Service Charge - £65.45

Comparable figures we have for 2017 consumption below.
(See Juniper News #55. 14/07/2018)

If accurate, the average figures would seem to show that LBS also has a lot to gain from eliminating this source of consumption.

Juniper House Estate Lighting Accounts 2017 (calendar year)

ACCOUNT	INTAKE	USAGE (kwh)	COST*
79475197490	1 (flats1-25)	15,218	£4,520.04
79787950120	2 (flats 26-50)	9,877	£2,829.05
79394521500	3 (flats 51-75)	5,300	£1,541.66
		30,395KWh	£8,890.75
Average Cost of Consumption (/75) =			**£118.54**

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juniper room slum

Letter to LBS Community Buildings Officer 25/02/2019

This morning I hosted another futile visit from an LBS operative. This time to inspect non-existent fire alarms and lighting. I was expecting the **installation** of those items.

We have been trying to operate out of this awful space since becoming a TRA in 2015, and naturally enough, residents are reluctant to attend meetings there, and quorums are becoming harder to achieve.

The community has done everything it can to clear and clean the room, and one minor repair has been undertaken by LBS (crack sealed to partition wall) but none of the real work has been touched. Until it is complete, any initiatives we were to take would be pointless. And anyway, we have repeatedly been given to expect imminent action by LBS, and therefore did nothing significant ourselves.

If you at least gave us a clear decision that LBS was **not** going to finance renovation, we could get on and make our own arrangements. But this indecision and delay is stifling the TRA by deterring the use of our only common space.

By rights, the unit should have been cleared immediately on the demise of the TMO in 2013, and maintained by LBS as part of the fabric of the building - regardless of the existence of the TRA.

Can you please give me some kind of clear assurance that the work will happen, and some sort of schedule for it?

yours
Secretary
Juniper TRA

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early spring - early bulbs

Make the most of the masses of bulbs in the garden now. The Snowdrops were out in the first week of January, and have mostly gone, but the continued warm weather has brought a flush of Golden and Purple Crocuses, Daffodils, Hyacinths, Primulas and many other mysterious, unaccounted-for, unidentified plants.

We have a new delivery of logs, which are being used as seating at present in the Hazel Coppice near the play-cage. Enjoy!

Sad to report our first case of garden vandalism in 3 years. The window to the Bug City was deliberately broken two weeks ago by some idiot. Repair with perspex sheet in hand. Any information welcome.

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

General Meeting

February 26th 2019 • Flat 30A • 7.30pm

Agenda

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

a) Contract service charges. b) Security issues

4) New Constitution Approval and Amendments (see inside)

5) Finance Report

6) Solar PV progress.

Report of LBS forum and of site consultation by Building Research Establishment.

7) Meeting Room progress. Volunteers needed.

8) Garden

9) Other Business

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10) Next Meeting

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incredible

Will the person throwing ***dirty nappies*** *from the balcony please* ***stop doing so*** *immediately.*
It is ***disgusting***, ***unsanitary*** *and* ***anti-social****.*
You must know who you are. You should be ashamed. This behaviour is incredibly direspectful to your neighbours. And worse, could spread ***disease*** *to their children - and yours.*
Dispose of dirty nappies properly - and do ***not*** *flush them down the toilet either.*

Proposed Changes to Constitution

Standard Model Constitution

'SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING' (18)
'The TRA shall call a General Meeting at the request of a majority of the committee or on receipt of a written petition by **not less than 15 members of the Association** giving reasons for their request. '

'QUORUM' (19)
'The minimum quorum for general meetings **will be at least ten (10)** of the properties being represented.'

'NOTICE OF MEETINGS' (21)
Notice of all general meetings shall be delivered to each property covered by the Association and shall include the date, time and place of the meeting and an Agenda of matters to be discussed. **Notice of committee meetings** shall be sent to each committee member's dwelling and should be widely publicised using notice boards and appropriate public areas. Following the AGM **a schedule of meeting dates for the year shall be provided** to each committee member.

Proposed Juniper Amendments

'SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING' (18)
'The TRA shall call a **Special** General Meeting at the request of a majority of the committee or on receipt of a written petition by not less than **10 members of the Association** giving reasons for their request.'

'QUORUM' (19)
'The minimum quorum for general meetings **will be at least six (6)** of the properties being represented.'
addition:
'In the event of an inquorate reconvened General or Annual General Meeting, **a minimum of 3 properties represented** shall constitute a quorum. The business conducted to be approved by the next Quorate meeting of the TRA, and a new General Meeting to be called if deemed necessary.'

'NOTICE OF MEETINGS' (21) to read:
'**Notice of all meetings shall be delivered to each propert**y covered by the Association. It shall include the date, time and place of the meeting, **minutes of the previous meeting,** and an Agenda of matters to be discussed. And shall be widely publicised using notice boards and appropriate public areas. **Dates of next meetings to be agreed at the end of each meeting.'**

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Police are conducting RANDOM PATROLS in Juniper House grounds.

To report antisocial or suspicious behaviour visit www.met.police.uk
or call 101, or Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111
Twitter @mpsNunhead • Email: nunhead.snt@met.police.uk
Nunhead office. 0208 721 2445

Meeting Room To-Do List

From LBS Report

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1. Remove all rubbish and unused items from within the meeting room area

2. 'No smoking' signage required.

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3. The premises is a small single room with no AFD installed, fire drills are required to be carried out on a twice yearly basis.

4. Management committee members and helpers have no structured or documented fire awareness training carried out.

Action The management committee members and helpers are required to have a structured and documented fire awareness training carried out."

Target Date 18/02/2019

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Volunteers Needed

If anyone has done a Fire-Safety course, and is willing to be a 'Responsible Person', please let us know. Likewise anyone experienced in composing simple H&S documents.

please contact Rob, Flat 32. Phone 0207 732 8493 Email sec.junipertra@gmail.com

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Juniper Tenants & Residents Association
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February 26th 2019 • Flat 30A • 7.30pm

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Juniper Energy Fact
(Target deductions to annual bills for Solar PV Project)

Electricity/lighting charges for year 2017/18 by flat size:

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Bedsit - £43.63

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Juniper TRA

General Meeting

Constitution Day

you decide how the TRA works

7.30pm • 26/02/2019

Flat 30A • Juniper House

All Residents Welcome

£10/hour Babysitting allowance available

Meeting Room Action

Your Community Needs

YOU

In spite of its small size, Room 30A could be of far more use than as mere meeting room or store. But LBS has said that it is not up to standard even for those basic uses.

Members of the community have already expressed an interest in holding small, suitable classes and craft workshops for residents.

If the community is to fully benefit from the space, it will require a certain amount of community effort.

Southwark are committed to a full regeneration of the space, but the TRA has to play its part.

Volunteers are therefore needed to donate a small amount of time.

1. Rubbish has to be removed from the room

2. A certain amount of **Health and Safety paperwork** has to be done.

3. Some people will have to do a basic **Formal Fire-Safety** course. (which always looks good on a CV.)

If anyone has already done a Fire-Safety course, and is willing to be a 'Responsible Person', please let us know.

Likewise anyone experienced in composing simple H&S documents.

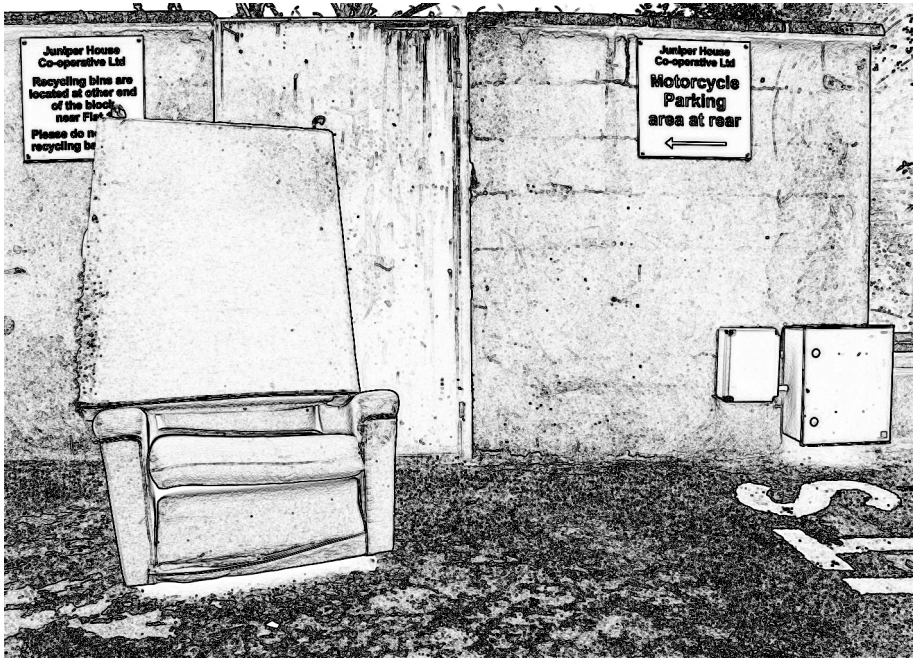
Every little helps. Please bring questions and suggestions to tomorrow's meeting.

or contact Rob, Flat 32. Email sec.junipertra@gmail.com
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Juniper Bin-Chamber Disgrace

Help turn

THIS



Into something that looks ***less*** like the rubbish it's meant to hide.

The binchamber by the northern entrance is in desperate need of a complete paint-job. If we don't do it, the council will add the cost of doing so to our service charges.

With enough willing hands, and those spare buckets of paint you don't know what to do with, we could finish the job in a day. (2 coats)

Any designs would be incredibly welcome. But not essential.

To be dicussed tomorrow.

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association
January 29th 2019 • Meeting Agenda
Flat 30A • 7.30pm

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting
a) Contract service charges. Representation from Stephanie Flynn of LBS.
b) Security issues

4) New Constitution Approval
a) additions to document for discussion:
item 20 ('QUORUM')
'Minutes of all meetings to be circulated to all flats with notice of forthcoming meeting'.

b) *'In the event of an inquorate reconvened Annual General Meeting, those present shall constitute a quorum. The business conducted to be approved by the next Quorate meeting of the TRA, and a new AGM to be called if deemed necessary.'*

c) amendment item 21 ('NOTICE OF MEETINGS')
' Following the AGM a schedule of meeting dates for the year shall be provided to each committee member.' to be replaced by:
'Dates of next meetings to be agreed at the end of each meeting.'

5) Finance Report

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Report of LBS forum and of site consultation by BRE

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10) Next Meeting

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Juniper TRA Meeting
7.30pm • 29/01/2019

TOMORROW NIGHT
Flat 30A • Juniper House
Service-Charge Questions & Answers
with guest
Stephanie Flynn
from Southwark Leaseholder Department

please be punctual
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Solar Panel Feasability OK

Last week's study of the block for the solar panel project was overwhelmingly positive. Inspections by the **Building Research Establishment (**BSE) and LBS of the roof and loft-space found no initial obstacles to the proposed installation.
A full report will be presented by BSE to a progress meeting in a couple of weeks.
During the residents consulation, various issues were discussed and clarified, including options for exploiting any surplus electricity, including recharging points for electric vehicles.
Please bring any queries or suggestions to tomorrow's meeting.

101 Lurkers

Has anyone witnessed chemicals changing hands on the staircases?

The police had to be called Monday night to move on 2 persistent, regular Lurkers on bikes who first claimed to be 'resting', then to be 'waiting for Uncle Peter'. Then got aggressive.

The police naturally wanted to know if anyone had seen drugs changing hands. In spite of the lack of this piece of information, they have passed the report on to the Neighbourhood crime team. (101). If anyone is a more detailed witness, please contact the police. And naturally report any suspicious behaviour on sight. We don't want to become valuable drug territory, with all the conflict that implies.

The police called round on Tuesday to discuss the Lurkers. We are now on the radar of Nunhead and Queen's Road Neighbourhood Team, so the more genuine 101 calls the better.

They're going to send over a notice to say that there will be sporadic checks. And left their contact details.

To report a crime visit www.met.police.uk or call 101.

Twitter @mpsNunhead • Email: nunhead.snt@met.police.uk

Nunhead office. 0208 721 2445

Solar Panel Consultation Day

The Council has engaged the Building Research Establishment **(BRE)** to carry out a feasibility study of the block for the Juniper House solar panel project.

The BRE consultants will visit Juniper House on **Tuesday 22 January.**

In addition to examining the roof, electricity points and other parts of the block, they will be available to talk with residents about the project.

Apologies for the inconvenient time. BRE are not based in London and so are not available during the evenings.
The more questions the better, from our point of view.

2-4pm in 30A. All residents are welcome.

30A To-Do List

Southwark Council have inspected 30A, and before we can think of letting it be used by residents, some work has to be done, by us.

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1. Remove all rubbish and unused items from within the meeting room area

2. 'No smoking' signage required.

MANAGEMENT OF FIRE SAFETY

1. The management committee must produce a fire (emergency) plan for the hall which should be made available to anyone hiring the premises.

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Target Date 18/02/2019 Juniper responsibility.

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ADDITIONAL FITTINGS REQUIRED

1. Emergency lighting is required to be installed above the entrance door.

2. 'Fire door keep locked shut' sign required to the store room door.

3. Fire action notice is required.

LBS ACTION

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Volunteers Wanted

for basic tidying up and a bit of cleaning (2 hours?)

If anyone has done a Fire-Safety course, and is willing to be a 'Responsible Person', please let us know.
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Juniper Solar Power Project

Resident consultation by the

'Building Research Establishment'
2pm • January 22 • Flat 30A.
Updates and Q&A.

Juniper TRA Meeting

7.30pm • 29/01/2019

Flat 30A • Juniper House

Service-Charge Questions & Answers

with guest from

Southwark Leaseholder Department

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Babysitting allowance available

Minutes • Juniper TRA Meeting #20 • 24/7/2018 • Flat 30a Juniper House. 7.30pm

Present. Jaki Wilford. Coralie Allison. Lloyd Trott. Tim Burrow. Rob Kenyon. Paul Hood. Claire Phillips

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting Approved.

2. Matters Arising From Previous Meeting.

A. Major Works:
PH. Shoddy work to interior window-sills. Damage to ceiling left unrepaired. Reported but no response.
The Secretary has conducted another snagging tour with CA and George Briggs (Clerk of Works).
ACTION. All Works-related faults to be reported to chris.ayton@southwark.gov.uk and also to sec.junipertra@gmail.com. (32 Juniper House). With pictures if possible.

B. Leaseholder Service Charges on Major Works:
PH Aggressive letter from LBS received.
Tim. The full itemised bill has yet to be provided, but is likely to be less than the initial estimate.
Claire. In the case of difficulties, Leaseholders should call LBS.
Any items included on final bill but not completed should be challenged (i.e. internal damage, staircase regeneration). Ideally through a Leaseholder Group meeting separately to discuss the issues in depth.
ACTION. Carla Blair (LBS) to be re-invited to TRA meeting to provide general update and respond to issues. Leaseholders to confer and get back with list of questions for CB.

C. Rough Sleepers & Antisocial Behaviour:
No new reports to the meeting for the time being.

Parking.
General discussion of extra problems likely after completion of the new development.
Ideas to be brought to next meeting.

3. Finance.
A. Expenditure report: Locks: £40. New Toner Cartridge: £38.50
Signed Cheques for items to secretary.
Expenditure on new box of paper approved
B. Staples Credit Account form sourced (as action previous meeting). But possibly better company found. Secretary to organise and liaise with Treasurer.

4. Solar Project
Awaiting updated tender to distribute to enlarged contractor list.

5. Garden
A. Obvious need for rainwater butts by next Summer. Proposal to be presented to future meeting.
B. Summer display in Project Area very disappointing. Partly due to drought but also inappropriate species. More perennials ands summer flowering plants needed for next year.
C. Visit from Stave Hill Ecopark consultant. Rebekah was positive about the direction of the garden, and offered to provide information and material help if available.
D. Missing plum mystery. This year's harvest seems to have disappeared overnight. Any explanations welcome.

6. Any Other Business
A. Downham Park. Tim felt that from the published plans the park would offer fewer resources in future, as well as being smaller.
The developers have issued reassurances that the park will be restored and that the community will be fully consulted. Community Liaison officers have offered meetings with TRA.
Lewisham Contract Manager to be contacted.
Concerns raised over supervision of deliveries to site from Pomeroy Street.
Contract newsletters not received by all flats.
ACTION. Secretary.

B. School Holiday Ideas. Den. Daily refreshments. No decision.

7. Cooperative Matters.
2017/18 Accounts signed for FCA purposes by Tim, Lloyd Rob. Accounts to be finally authorised at Annual General Meeting 18/09/2018

8. Next Meeting. 18/09/2018

Meeting Room Organisation

Beloved Room 30A has been inspected and found a bit wanting.
Rubbish has to be removed and a certain amount of Health and Safety paperwork has to be done.
But also, some people have to take formal fire-training (which always looks good on a CV.)
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LBS community energy forum

December 17th. Tooley Street.

Juniper Delegates: Martin Hughes, Rob Kenyon.

LBS Officers present: Stuart Robinson-Marshall, Head of Sustainability and Business • Martin Kovats, Community Projects Manager • Finance: Ian Young, Departmental Manager - Housing and Modernisation • Louise Turff, Homeownership Services Manager, Finance and Governance. • Asset Management: Michael O'Driscoll, Contracts manager • Tom Vosper, Strategic Project Manager.

Also Present: Various LBS Councillors, plus representatives from '**South East London Community Energy**', **'Repowering London',** and **Haddonhall** and **Brenchley Gardens** housing estates.

Brief summary of meeting:

1. Stuart Robinson-Marshall presented the new LBS policy, which is to:

"Support the creation of community-led sustainable energy projects on estates to help residents reduce their energy bills."

2. Martin Kovats followed by expanding on the various projects on the drawing board, and also drew attention to the problem of the council's apparent inability at present to distribute the hard benefits of renewable energy schemes equitably between Leaseholders and Tenants.

3. Report from **SELCE** and **Haddonhall**.

SELC delivered an intersting overview of all the possibilities for sustainable energy projects. To be contacted.

4. The Juniper delegates presented our case, stressing its practical feasibility, as born out by Martin's long professional experience; and emphasising that both Tenants and Leaseholders must benefit equally from any direct Service Charge savings made due to their effort in this '**community-led sustainable energy project'.**

Ian Young of Finance defended the Council's service charge policy, and was informed that the funds for the project would be inaccessible unless some arrngement was made. Furthermore, that unless Tenants saw the same benefits as Leaseholders they would be unlikely to 'lead' any community projects in the borough.

The meeting was informed by Stuart Robinson-Marshall that Cabinet would have to give very serious consideration to an amendent to its policy in the case of environmental projects.

5. General Discussion.

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Summary: From our point of view, the meeting was very encouraging. We have been told we are a Southwark **pilot project**, and LBS seems to be taking our main concerns seriously.

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A team of consultants will be visiting this month to talk to residents about the project.
Possibly on 21/22nd or 24/25th January.
Please watch this space for final dates.

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Juniper TRA

Meeting

7.30pm • 29/01/2019

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Babysitting allowance available

Service-Charge Questions & Answers with guest from Southwark Leaseholder Department

Minutes • Juniper TRA Annual General Meeting • 27/11/2018. 7.30pm • 30A Juniper House

1. Present
Coralie Allison (16) Chair - Jaki Wilford (14) Rhiannon (7) Secretary - Rob Kenyon (32) S.Muslu (67) Paul Hood (73) Lloyd Trott (46) Cherrie Stevens (39) Atube (13) Louis Rotsos (LBS) Mina Mileva (49) Aftab Hussain (70) Tracey Hussain (70) Rukayat Basaru (17) Oliver Clarke (72) Alemat Lawson (23)

2. Apologies. Tim Burrow - Treasurer.
(Consent given for re-election. Financial Report delivered by Louis Rotsos LBS.)

3. Minutes of Last AGM.
Approved as a true record.

4. Matters Arising from Minutes

5. Presentation of Accounts

Balance brought forward 30/09/2017:		**£1174.31**
	Expenditure:	£ 79.50
	Income:	£0000.00
	Balance	**£1094.81**

'*This Meeting accepts the 2017-18 Accounts of Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association as a true record of its finances during the past year.'*
Proposed R. Kenyon. Seconded J. Wilford. Passed Unanimously.

6. Appointment of Accountants
'This meeting accepts the appointment of Southwark Group of Tenants Organisation as Juniper TRA accountants for a further year.'
Proposed: J. Wilford. Seconded: Coralie Allison. Passed Unanimously.

7. Election of Officers

Chair.	J. Wilford.	Proposed R. Kenyon.	Seconded T. Hussain.	Passed unanimously.
Vice Chair.	C. Stevens.	Proposed J. Wilford.	Seconded M. Mileva.	Passed unanimously.
Secretary.	R. Kenyon.	Proposed J. Wilford.	Seconded A. Hussain.	Passed unanimously.
Treasurer.	T. Burrow.	Proposed R. Kenyon.	Seconded J. Wilford.	Passed unanimously.
Area Delegate.	Lloyd Trott.	Proposed R. Kenyon.	Seconded J. Wilford.	Passed unanimously.

8. Raffle
3rd Prize R. Busayat. **2nd Prize** A. Hussain. **1st Prize** J. Wilford.
(Cries of 'Fixed!')

9. Action Reports.
a) Solar Project Group
The Secretary gave a brief summary of progress. LBS have appointed a consultant to assess viability. The project is consistent with LBS manifesto promises. And the initial response at the first meeting with Martin Kovats of LBS was extremely positive.
Since, LBS is reported to have 'issues'. The only one specified being the apparent inability of the LBS Finance Department to discount Community Lighting service charges from the accounts of both leaseholders and tenants equally. The group is expecting a further update soon, and a meeting with the Consultants.

9. Action Reports (continued)
b) Major Works.
After a prolonged discussion of various outstanding faults, it was agreed that Chris Ayton (LBS Contract Manager) to distinguish clearly which items are the responsibility of LBS and which are still under guarantee to A&E Elkins.
action: Secretary.

c) Blocked Drains reported backing up into baths and sinks in flats 16, 70, 13, 8, 39, 73, 14. Further reports welcomed.
Concerted approach to Area Management and C. Ayton.

10. Any Other Business
Prolonged discussion on Major Works Service Charges. Several Leaseholders feeling intimidated by LBS inflexibility on payments.
Carla Blair of LBS to be invited to next TRA meeting.

11. Date of Next TRA Meeting
29 Jan 2019

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mortar bombshell

The BBC has reported that inferior mortar has been widely used in recent construction work. Assurance has therefore been sought from London Borough of Southwark that the material used on the Major Works 2017/18 met accepted standards.

> **' New homes 'crumbling due to weak mortar'**
> Hundreds of new properties have been built using weak mortar that does not meet recommended industry standards, the Victoria Derbyshire show has found.
> There are reports of homes with the fault on at least 13 estates in the UK. The full extent of the industry-wide problem is hard to measure as some homeowners have been asked to sign gagging orders to claim compensation.'

There is no evidence as yet that any of the relevant work undertaken last year is under suspicion, but better safe than sorry during the guarantee period.
LBS Clerk of Works George Briggs has responded to concerns, and is awaiting specifications from contractors A&E Elkins. News in next newsletter (65) - hopefully.
For more information see **Phil Waller**'s website *'New Home Blog'*.
http://www.new-home-blog.co.uk/weak-mortar-britains-crumbling-new-homes/

In the unlikely event that Juniper is effected by this problem, one consolation would be that any remedial work should give leaseholders a case for delaying payment of service charges.

solar project latest

the big xmas sit-down

It is fairly safe to say that the project is progressing. As requested, we have the opportunity to explain our case to the council face to face. Members of the Solar Panel Group have prepared material for presentation, but we would welcome any suggestions or additional information. Please contact the (Rob). Flat 32. 0207 732 8493. sec.junipertra@gmail.com.

The Facts

1. LBS has commissioned the **Building Research Establishment** to carry out a study of our project. This will be carried out in January for a February report and will involve the consultant coming to Juniper and talking with a range of residents about our ideas

2. The **Environment Scrutiny Committee** will hold a Roundtable discussion on the evening of **17 December** at LBS HQ inTooley Street. Juniper is invited give a short presentation about our proposal. The Roundtable will include councillors and senior officers, including representatives from Finance, and will produce recommendations to Cabinet. So our arguments on the night will need to be robust and convincing.

3. The discussion will include a presentation by **Repowering London**, sharing experiences from Community Energy projects in the London Borough of Lambeth and with other councils. There will then be a roundtable discussion with participation from a range of experts as well as local stakeholders including Haddonhall and Brenchley Gardens TMOs. The session, and the reports received in advance, will lead to a scrutiny report with recommendations to cabinet.

Here's hoping for a productive Xmas.

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meeting room latest

Our beloved room **30A** was throughly fire-checked last month with a view to final regeneration. We hope that the space will be updated and made habitable within a year. After which it will be available to residents for a range of approved activities.

Test results

1. All electrical equipment was PAT tested and approved.

2. After measurement, the room's maximum allowed capacity was found to be only 14. This raises questions about its usefulness for major meetings in the future.

3. Fire extinguishers were approved, but we are required to 'remove all rubbish and unused items from within the meeting room area.' We take this to mean the ladder behind the seats. This will be moved to the garden store ASAP.

4. The paintwork was found to contain asbestos, and will be remedied by LBS.

drains

After complaints at the AGM from residents of flats 16, 70, 13, 8, 39, 73, 14 and others. Local Resident Services Officer Serina Usher has forwarded reports of blocked drains to the communal repairs team to be actioned.
We'll wait and see what happens. Bring reports to January meeting

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Flat 30A. Juniper House

star attraction

Service-Charge Questions & Answers with LBS guest from Leaseholder Department

Another Reason To Come to the AGM on Tuesday

LBS Solar Power Red-Tape

After solid assurances of support (see Juniper News 62) we have now been told that "a few issues have cropped up inside the council about the viability of solar." Both Administrative and Technical.

The only specific problem mentioned was the crucial issue of distributing the benefits to both Tenants and Leaseholders equally.
We are asking that the existing Community Lighting service charge be discounted for *all* Residents. Under the constitution of Juniper House Cooperative Ltd, we have no choice, in order to access the funding.

Apparently, making this minor accountancy adjustment to the Juniper service charge account would be a 'very senior decision'.
We say: What else are senior management for? We are offering LBS £30,000 on a plate to do something they will have to do at some point, and which LBS is committed to in their manifesto. Is LBS seriously going to reject this offer?

The other obstacle mentioned by LBS is that the service charge is calculated by area rather than block consumption. Which disregards the fact that our project would *reduce* gross area consumption, thereby tending to drive down charges for all council residents in our area. Presumably, they would be as baffled as we are to hear they might be denied this benefit because of a bureaucratic detail.

On the plus side, a consultant has been engaged to assess our proposal. And will report in the new year.
• Cabinet members are to be briefed this week on our project and we will hear the results in due course.
• A full breakdown of Estate Lighting charges per flat is to be provided. This will allow us to calculate exactly how much everyone will benefit, and also find out if we have been paying for more power than we consume.
• Martin Kovats (Coordinator LBS Communities Division Housing and Modernisation) is happy to come and meet to discuss the project and keep us updated.

To be fair, LBS is still working out the impact of the limited number of solar projects that it has already undertaken, and progress on ours is partly dependent on that review. But if they are as inflexible about sharing the benefits of solar power as they seem to be, why would any LBS estate consider installing it? What would they have to gain? It would seem clear that either the bureaucracy has to change, or the environmentally-friendly manifesto promises go in the bin.

While this is a disappointment, LBS is now paying attention, and cannot delay the inevitable.

More at the AGM next Tuesday.

Leaseholder Advice

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Advice for Southwark Council Homeowners

A free, independent advice service for all Southwark

Who is the service for?
The service is for leaseholders and freeholders who bought their properties from Southwark Council, through Right to Buy or from a previous owner.
We provide independent advice on general and specialised leasehold / freehold matters including:

• Challenging annual service charges and major works payment demands; e.g., if you think the council is spending and charging too much on services or major works.
• Rights to be consulted and provided with information.
• Challenging the standard of services or building works that you think are not value for money.
• Neglect of the building or estate which is affecting your property.
• Understanding rights and responsibilities under the lease/freehold transfer.
• The Council's repair obligations.
• Applications to the First-Tier Tribunal (formerly known as LVT).

Other Issues
We can also assist on a range of other issues that may affect you paying service charges such as:
• Debt
• Benefits
• Employment

How to contact us
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Email: Lholders@citizensadvicesouthwark.org.uk
Write to:
Leasehold
Citizens Advice Southwark
8 Market Place
Southwark Park Road
London
SE16 3UQ

Please give your name and contact telephone number.
An adviser will reply to advise you or make an appointment to see you.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

27/11/2018

7.30pm • 30A Juniper House

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes of the Last AGM

3) Presentation of the Accounts 2017/18

4) Appointment of Auditors

5) Election of Officers

6) Raffle!

7) Action Reports

8) Any Other Business

The meeting will also discuss a new constitution.

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Defend Your TRA

Under new LBS proposals, many support groups for Southwark Council residents are at risk, including the **Southwark Group of Tenants Organisation**. Tenant & Residents Associations are also under threat. Including Juniper.

if successful, these measures would remove most of what little Consultation exists with the council, replacing it with a website. Make your feelings known to your councillor at the Assembly Meeting next Wednesday.

Join the Borough-wide Lobby at:

160 Tooley Street. SE1 2TZ

November 28

Assemble from 5pm

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LEAKED 2018 AGM REPORT

SOLAR POWER PROJECT UPDATE

The Project has significantly advanced since last year.
A working group has been set up. The block's electricity consumption figures have been unearthed. And meaningful contact made with Southwark's new *Community Led Sustainable Energy Project*, leading to the meeting below.

Juniper Solar PV Project Meeting 1 with LBS.
Meeting 1. Friday 26/10/2018
present Martin Kovats (Coordinator LBS Communities Division Housing and Modernisation). Rob Kenyon. Martin Hughes.

This was a highly productive and encouraging meeting which represented a major breakthrough for the project.
Martin Kovats was enthusiastic about the scheme, and saw no reason why the various cash-flow problems and administrative hurdles couldn't be overcome.
Our proposal is now the top of the list of LBS projects in this field, and can expect full support in proven feasible.
Nothing is certain yet, and many details still have to be ironed out. But we can now say that we are on course. Martin would not even rule out completion by the end of March.

Key points

1. Cabinet member Cllr Leo Pollock, and Cllr James Caldwell in support.
PV systems now Manifesto Commitment for LBS.
2. MK to contact Engineers Dept (Tony Hunter) re inspection and feasibility study. Model Tender to follow on approval.
3. March 31st deadline for Feed-In Tariffs could well be positive factor to pushing project forward.
4. Martin Hughes to arrange visit to his site at Coldharbour Lane for Cllr Pollock.
5. No objections in principle to financial implications for project. Removal of Estate Lighting service charge possible for Leasholders and Tenants. Any potential future income from installation to be subject to further negotiations.
6. Juniper is the LBS Pilot Project for this kind of scheme, and will benefit from full LBS support if it proves feasible.
7. MK to report back in 2 weeks and arrange further actions.

MAJOR WORKS 2018

The TRA attempted to keep control of the major works contract, with varying degrees of success.
All major works items are still under guarantee, and any faults should be reported to:

chris.ayton@southwark.gov.uk. telephone: 0207 525 1329

Reports to July TRA Meeting

A final snagging tour was conducted with LBS and Elkins. (See Over)
There was disagreement over responsibility for cleaning staircases and windows. With Elkins claiming the block has been left as they found it.

A. Shoddy Work reported to interior window-sills. Damage to ceiling left unrepaired. .
ACTION. All Works-related faults to be reported to chris.ayton@southwark.gov.uk and also to sec.junipertra@gmail.com. (32 Juniper House). With pictures if possible.

B. Leaseholder Service Charges on Major Works:
Aggressive letters recieved from LBS.
The meeting was advised that the full itemised bill has yet to be provided, but is likely to be less than the initial estimate. In the case of difficulties, Leaseholders should call LBS.

Any items included on final bill but not completed should be challenged (i.e. internal damage, staircase regeneration). Ideally through a Leaseholder Group meeting separately to discuss the issues in depth.
ACTION. Carla Blair (LBS) to be re-invited to TRA meeting to provide general update and respond to issues. Leaseholders to confer and get back with list of questions.

LBS representative to be invited to next TRA meeting for questions.

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

Grand Barbeque

this Sunday

November 4th

About 4pm

Bring food, drink, fireworks, music..

Great time guaranteed

All welcome

In the garden square, under the lamp-post

(any volunteers to help set up contact Rob. 0207 732 8493. Flat 32)

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AGM & RAFFLE NIGHT

Last Tuesday's meeting did not have enough people to proceed, and has been postponed (see below).

Until we can elect a new committee, the TRA is paralysed. This is a great shame since it will delay action on the Solar PV project - which will save all residents money, and also on any other issues of common interest.

Everyone attending will qualify for one ticket to the **Bumper, 3-Prize Draw.** And since the number required for the meeing is only 15, that could mean odds of 3-1. Not a bad bet.

ALL residents welcome. All residents have a vote.

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Repairs 'Teething Problems'

Three months ago we were told of the changes to the Council Repair system on October 1st, and warned there might be 'teething problems'.
It is now a month after the changeover. Has anyone experienced any problems? If so bring them to the meeting on Tuesday.

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From Newsletter #59. September 26. 2018

Changes to Council Repairs

From 1 October 2018

"Tenants'repairs are currently carried out by Mears in the south of the borough, and by the council in the north.
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These changes will help us achieve our ambition for Southwark to have the best repairs service in the country, quick to respond and to fix problems to a high standard.
We cannot promise improvements overnight, and as with any change we expect that in the first few months after the council takes over the repairs on 1 October, we may have a few teething problems.
We would ask for your patience and understanding while we use those early weeks to iron out any challenges related to duch a complex shift of people and systems. Our aim initially is to keep the response times published in the Tenants Handbook, which we know will be an improvement on the service some residents have received.
Longer term, we are devloping a plan to work with you, our residents, to look at what needs to be improved, and how we can do so."
If you are interested in being part of that process please get in touch by emailing: **community.engagement@southwark.gov.uk.**
Or write to : FREEPOST RSCE-TGHU-CUZB. Southwark Council, Community Engagement 5/3, 160 Tooley Street, SE1 2QH

We need at least

15

people to start the meeting on

Tuesday.

Please come, and bring a neighbour.

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Believe it or not, the work done by Juniper TRA in 2018 has done some good.

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Help it continue for another year.

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FIREWORKS

If you are going to let off fireworks in the garden, please do so as far away from the flats as possible, and with care and consideration for animals, young children and the vulnerable.

There are public displays in Burgess Park and Southwark Park

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Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association Annual General Meeting

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4) Election of Officers

5) Appointment of Auditors

6) Action Reports 2018

7) Any Other Business

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latest news on Solar PV project at AGM

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Tuesday • 7.30pm • October 30th
Flat 30A. Juniper House
Please submit nominations for posts in advance if possible

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All Residents Welcome
£10 /hour babysitting allowance available

Minutes. 2017 (reconvened) Juniper House TRA Annual General Meeting
7.30pm. 30 January 2018. Flat 30A

1. Present. Coralie Allison (vice-chair), Frankie Allum, Tim Burrow (treasurer), Martin Hughes, Aftab Hussain, Ahmed Kabba (SGTO), Rob Kenyon (secretary), Saffi Koroma, Odwua Kwarteng, Alemat Lawson, Uvi Orogumu, Claire Phillips, Fay Roberts, Cherrie Stephens, Lloyd Trott, Jaki Wilford (chair), Kolawole Yusuff.

2. Apologies.. Kirsten Dunham.

3. Minutes of Previous AGM approved by the meeting and signed by the Chair.

4. Presentation of Accounts examined by Southwark Group of Tenants. For period 01/10/2016- 30/09/2017.

Brought Forward at 30/09/2016

	£ 83.70
Income	**£ 1200** (LBS grant)
Expenditure	**£ 109.39** (garden, office items and events)
Total	**£1,174.31**

Proposal 1: 'This meeting approves the accounts for 2016/17.'
Proposed: Tim Burrows. Seconded Jackie Wilford.. Passed Unanimously.

5. Appointment of Auditors

Proposal 2: 'This meeting approves the appointment of Southwark Group of Tenants as accountants for Juniper House TRA for the forthcoming financial period.'
Proposed: Tim Burrows. Seconded Jackie Wilford. Passed Unanimously.

6. Election of Officers

The Chair was passed to Ahmed, who reported on the services and facilities available via SGTO.

Nominations

Chair: Jackie Wilford.
Proposed Tim Burrow. Seconded Rob Kenyon. Passed Unanimously.
Vice Chair: Saffi Koroma. Proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded Lloyd Trott. Passed Unanimously.
Treasurer: Tim Burrow.
Proposed Jackie Wilford, Seconded Claire Phillips. Passed Unanimously.
Secretary: Rob Kenyon.
Proposed Jackie Wilford, Seconded Claire Phillips. Passed Unanimously.

7. Area Housing Forum Appointments:
Delegates: Claire Phillips- Flat 60. Lloyd Trott- Flat 46. Deputies: Frankie Allum- Flat 31

SGTO Appointments:
Delegates: Frankie Allum- Flat 31. Tim Burrow- Flat 13. Approved unanimously.

Two further SGTO deputies and one Forum deputy need to be elected at future TRA meeting. Ahmed was thanked for his help and Jackie resumed the chair.

8. Any Other Business (AOB)

(A) Progress Report on spending proposals from 13/07/2017 meeting.
[(i) 'Solar panels to power estate lighting. Service charges and rent to be credited appropriately.'] 3 quotes received but more required. February deadline for using scaffolding not met. Closer engagement with LBS essential.

Agenda Proposals

This meeting agrees to :

1) Authorise the committee to further investigate the installation of Solar PV Systems to power communal lighting circuits.
Proposed Chair. Seconded Frankie. Passed Unanimously.

2) To formally request access to Juniper House Cooperative funds to finance the Solar PV project, and any other properly costed and approved projects in agreement with London Borough of Southwark, for the common benefit of residents of Juniper House.
Proposed Chair. **Seconded** Coralie. Passed Unanimously.

• **Proposal** from the floor that unofficial action group be approved to research the project. - **Approved**. Group members: Martin, Coralie, Tim, Rob.

AOB (B) 'Surgery of trees which LBS will not deal with as a matter of emergency.'
Two quotes recieved, awaiting third. LBS to be pressed again to undertake major works.

'Re-siting of ailing tropical plants in shaded area to raised beds in open locations.'
No specific quotes recieved for re-siting of tropical plants, but general agreement from contractors that it would be very expensive. Further enquiries to be made.

• The secretary also reported that 3 padlocks had been purchased for the football cage and garden store, as authorised by TRA 17/02/2017. Receipts presented to Treasurer for reimbursement.

AOB (C) Satellite Dish Update. The secretary informed the meeting that he has recently been informed that LBS has reversed its original assurances that satellite dishes removed for essential works will be re-instated. They will now be merely returned to the owners, who will not be allowed to re-site them on the building. LBS claim to be working towards a communal system which will replace the services lost, but that will not help residents cut off mid-contract, or those who depend on foreign-language satellite services for their TV.

AOB (D) Cleaning. Reports that block cleaning not being done properly. Action. secretary to contact Area Management.

AOB (E) Fly-tipping. Claire Phillips reported that rubbish was being dumped in the forecourt.

AOB (F) People Investigating Refuse. Residents should be warned of the danger of Identity Theft, and to dispose of any personal documents with care. Anything in the bin with your name and address on can be used for fraudulent purposes.

AOB (G) Motorbike Nuisance. Reports of improper use of motorbikes at night in Juniper grounds. Should be reported through LBS website or ring 0207 525 5777.

AOB (H) Homelessness. Reports of Rough Sleepers on staircases this Winter. Action. Area Management to be notified.

Date of Next TRA Meeting. 13 March 2018

Solar Panel News

Members of Juniper's Solar Panel Group are meeting on Wednesday October 24th with Martin Kovats, Community Projects Manager, from Southwark's Communities Division, to discuss how soon we can make a start with the project.

Come to the Annual General Meeting on October 30th for the full report.

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Elections

Financial Reports

Latest news on meeting with LBS on Solar Project

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7.30pm • October 30th

Flat 30A. Juniper House

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ODD-JOBS

London Borough of Southwark is not responsible for all repairs at Juniper House. The Residents' Agreement says that items like paintwork are the liability of the tenant or leaseholder. To prevent deterioration, they have established a **'Handyperson Service'** to do those irritating jobs like re-hanging doors or fittng shelves. It costs, but might be handy, if it works.

Please share any experiences.

To find out if the **Handypersons Scheme** can help you, contact:
020 7525 1863 or email Handypersons: **handyperson@southwark.gov.uk**

Types of jobs a handyperson can help with
Our Handypersons can help with small repairs or adaptations.

They can:
Move furniture • hang or take down curtainse • tape down carpets and electrical leads • hang light bulbs • put up shelves • re-glaze small windows • change smoke alarm batteries • plumb or un-plumb washing machines • fit internal doors • fit locks and security chains • install smoke alarms...
If you need a repair that's not listed above, please contact them.

What a Handyperson can't help with
Gas servicing• major building work • decorating • gardening

What we charge
Our Handyperson costs are the following:
Residents on benefits.
If you're receiving housing benefits, income support, council tax benefits, pension credit, disability living allowance or attendance allowance, we charge **£10 per hour plus material costs.**

if you're not receiving benefits, we charge **£20 per hour plus materials costs.**

Council Tenants requesting a repair under your tenancy agreement should contact **repairs on 020 7525 2600** or email: **repairs@southwark.gov.uk** or report online at: **www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs**

Other help you can get
Housing adaptations works closely with occupational therapists who assess council tenant needs and recommend adaptations to your home.

The **Home Improvement Agency** (HIA) offers a service to elderly and disabled home owners and private tenants who want to repair or adapt their homes.

www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/support-services/handypersons

HOT SOLAR NEWS

Southwak Light-bulb Moment

As part of Southwark Council's Business Plan 2018/19, the Communities Division and Residents Involvement Team is intending to pilot a **Community Led Sustainable Energy Project.**

"The energy project will explore various options such as:

- Solar panels
- Loft and attic insulation
- Boiler replacement
- Smart meters and controls"

Expressions of interest from Tenants and Residents Associations are being sought. We have responded in full, with a full outline of our proposals - which should keep them busy. But it would be useful to hear any other similar ideas.

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Juniper Tenants & Residents' Association Annual General Meeting

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7.30pm • Tuesday • October 30th

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Juniper House Cooperative Annual General Meeting

09/10/2018 • 7.30pm• Flat 30A. Juniper House

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6) Report 1. Transference of Engagements

7) Report 2. Final Formal Dissolution

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Juniper Cooperative Ltd

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Report 1. Transference of Engagements

Report 2. Final Formal Dissolution of the Coop

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7.30pm • October 9th

Flat 30A. Juniper House

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Minutes for Approval
Reconvened Juniper House Cooperative AGM 19th October 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT
Tim Burrow, Kirsten Dunham, Rob Kenyon, Lloyd Trott, Jackie Wilford.

1. Approval of Minutes. Last years AGM minutes were put forward for approval by Tim Burrow, seconded by Rob Kenyon and passed by the three members present at both meetings.

2. Presentation And Approval of Accounts 2016/17
Rob Kenyon presented the last year's accounts. These showed a closing balance ('Surplus Fund') of £29,464.
Accountancy fees, FCA fees and a previously unresolved PAYE issue were significant deductions from the account this year, plus a £200 grant to the TRA to assist with start up costs before the grant from London Borough of Southwark was received.
Jackie Wilford proposed a motion to approve the accounts, this was seconded by Lloyd Trott and passed unanimously.

3. Election of Officers
Lloyd Trott was nominated for the position of Chair by Kirsten Dunham, seconded by Rob Kenyon. Passed unanimously.
Jackie Wilford was nominated for the position of Vice- Chair by Rob Kenyon. seconded by Kirsten Dunham. Passed unanimously.
Tim Burrow was nominated for the position of Secretary by Jackie Wilford, seconded by Kirsten Dunham. Passed unanimously.
Rob Kenyon was nominated for the position of Treasurer by Kirsten Dunham, seconded by Jackie Wilford. Passed unanimously.

4. Appointment of auditors.
CWA Tax (Bromley) were appointed for a further year.

5. Reports
Rob Kenyon updated the group with progress towards agreeing a solar panel installation with London Borough of Southwark. There are still some obstacles to overcome. LBS will only make arrangements with the TRA and this body needs to be re-confirmed with a successful AGM. Recent attempts to hold an AGM have been unsuccessful due insufficient attendance. The Cooperative funds can only be spent on projects that benefit all members. The main benefit of the solar project will be to reduce communal electricity use and this is not paid for in the same way by leaseholders and tenants.

6. Proposals.
The Cooperative passed a motion to fund the solar project if the issue about benefits being for all the members can be resolved.
a) 'This meeting agrees to endorse the initiative by Juniper House TRA to install Solar PV Systems to power communal lighting circuits.'
Proposed Secretary. Seconded: Treasurer. Passed Unanimously.

A further motion was passed that any remaining funds in the Cooperative will be transferred to the TRA as soon as practicable.
b) 'Subject to approval by the Financial Conduct Authority, to transfer all available remaining assets of Juniper House Cooperative to the account of Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association. With the provision that this sum be used to fund projects properly costed and approved in agreement with London Borough of Southwark for the common benefit of residents of Juniper House.'
Proposed Treasurer. Seconded: Secretary. Passed Unanimously.

A final motion was passed to formally dissolve the Coop as soon as practicable.
c. The meeting authorises the officers of the Coop to investigate the process of formally dissolving the society after assets are transferred to Juniper TRA. Final decision to be taken by Special General Meeting.
Proposed Vice-Chair. Seconded: Secretary. Passed Unanimously.

7) Next Meeting TBA

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Juniper Coop Cash Handover Saga 2

Return of the Red Tape

After repeated contacts with the Financial Conduct Authority, some obstacles seem to be out of our way. We can spend our money on anything in the common interest of the membership. An FCA advisor wrote to say that:

> *'When we receive an application to register an instrument of dissolution, we will look to see that the instrument has been duly authorised by members... We will also look to see that the society's plans for its remaining funds and assets is in accordance with the society's rules.*
> *Beyond that, we do not make comment on societies' plans for their funds upon dissolution, and we cannot give advice to individual societies about what they should do.*'

The FCA does not specify what the co-op should do with its money before dissolution, other than that it must be spent in accordance with co-op rules, for the community benefit. It has said on the phone that we could write a cheque to the TRA on the night of the AGM. But it would seem prudent to get a little more conformation first. And also to be in strict accordance with the terms of the proposal approved at the last AGM (minutes above).
We will also need to briefly employ a lawyer to notarise the Dissolution.

This week will therefore not be the last meeting of the co-op, as we hoped it would be. We will need to elect officers to oversee the final few months, and therefore need as many members to turn up as possible on Tuesday night. Please try to attend.

Juniper House Cooperative Annual General Meeting

18/09/2018 • 7.30pm • Flat 30A. Juniper House SE14 5BY

AGENDA

1) Apologies
2) Approval of Minutes of the Last AGM
3) Presentation of the Accounts 2017/18
4) Appointment of Auditors
5) Election of Officers
6) Report 1. Transference of Engagements
7) Report 2. Final Formal Dissolution
8) Any Other Business

NOISE

There have been several reports of loud, unnecessary, domestic noise. Including obscenities and what sounds like domestic violence.
There is a clear obligation on all Residents to allow their neighbours the right to the peaceful enjoyment of their home. Breaking the Agreement with LBS can result in possible eviction.
Please remember that noise travels very easily in Junjiper House, and that not everyone wants to know your business.
To report domestic violence and antisocial noise, please contact: 020 7525 5777

VANDALISM

An expensive baby-buggy was vandalised beyong repair last week. It was only left outside the third floor flat for a few minutes, on Sunday 2nd September in the afternoon.
Any information would be useful.
If anyone has a temporary replacement they can spare, it would be even more useful. contact flat 32.

lbs contacts

Email: repairs@southwark.gov.uk
Online: www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs
Repairs team on 0800 952 4444 or 0207 525 2600
Repairs Coordinator, Justin Hall: 0207 525 3705
Emergency Number 07946 220 827
Resident Services Officer, serina.usher@southwark.gov.uk : 020 7525 5179
Repairs Manager, Gary Glover on 020 7525 3093 • Complaints: complaints@southwark.gov.uk
Home Ownership Unit: 020 7525 1400 / email: hsg.homeownership@southwark.gov.uk
Noise related Anti Social Behaviour 020 7525 5777 (24 hours)
Cleaning Team Leader, Raymond 0207 525 3826

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Annual General Meeting

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Report 1. Transference of Engagements

Report 2. Final Formal Dissolution of the Coop

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And Juniper TRA Meeting

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7.30pm • September 18th

Flat 30A. Juniper House

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Juniper Coop Cash Handover Saga

progress of transfer to the TRA

As most residents will know, **Juniper Tenants and Residents Association** has been waiting to get access to the unusable **Juniper Cooperative** reserve account.

It is unusable because **London Borough of Southwark** refuses to recognise the Coop, and the Coop constitution states that the money can only be spent in the community interest on properly costed projects, which in practice for this amount of money (£30,000) means involving LBS, which doesn't recognise the Coop....

The Coop therefore decided at the Annual General Meeting 19th October 2017 to inform the **Financial Conduct Authority** that it has decided to make its funds available through the TRA for use on the Solar PV Project. And that we wish to formally dissolve the society as soon as possible. (See letter opposite)
This would seem a mere formality under the terms of the legislation (see below). But we don't know yet.

We expect a decision before the **Annual General Meeting on September 18th.** If it is in our favour, we might possibly be able to end the coop and transfer the money at the meeting. Watch this space for the news when it comes.

If we are temporarily blocked from a simple transfer, the worst would be that we have to keep the Coop limping along to pay the bill for the Solar Project, after which **JHC** can be put to rest peacefully with no complications. Even in the nightmare case where we are forced to hand the money to Southwark, they would still be bound by the terms of the legacy **(fiii)** and we would still benefit from the hard-earned community fund.

But given the regulations below, it would seem that we qualify. Surely providing Carbon-free community lighting and saving every flat an average of £120 each year is directly *and* indirectly '**for a purpose that is for benefit of the community.**' **(2a).**

Come to the meeting to see it happen. Possibly the very last chance to see Juniper Coop in action.

Under the Cooperatives and Community Benefit Societies Act 2003:

(2) The society must not use or deal with its assets except—

(a) where the use or dealing is, directly or indirectly, for a purpose that is for the benefit of the community;

(e) where the society is to be dissolved or wound up, to pay its creditors; or

(f) to transfer its assets to one or more of the following

(iii) a registered social landlord which has a restriction on the use of its assets which is equivalent to a restriction on use and which will apply that restriction to any assets so transferred;

www.fca.org.uk/publication/finalised-guidance/fg15-12.pdf

Mutuals Team
Financial Conduct Authority
25 The North Colonnade
Canary Wharf
E14 5HS
20/08/2018

re Transfer of assets and closure of society.

Dear Sir/Madam
Briefly, Juniper House Cooperative is no longer fit for our needs and cannot be kept alive much longer, and we wish to transfer our existing reserve to our successor body in order to make it available for best use by the membership. We hope to complete this process at our next AGM on September 18th.

Since the dissolution of Juniper House TMO in 2013/14, the Cooperative has not been recognised by our local authority (Southwark), which has severely hampered our ability to spend our remaining reserves productively.

A Tenants and Residents Association has been established which the council does recognise ('Juniper House Tenant's and Residents Association'). This organisation represents all Juniper Residents, including all Coop Members.

It is the TRA's intention to install a solar PV system which would (initially) power the communal lighting, thereby reducing both service charges and rents for every Leaseholder and Tenant respectively. The Coop wholeheartedly agrees that this project would be highly beneficial to the community, and would like to devote its remaining resources to enable it. [see AGM minutes]

Our reserves at the end of the last financial year amounted to some £29,000 (see Accounts 2017/18 submitted).
It is our intention to transfer as much as possible of this to the account of the TRA, to be ring-fenced for project use only. After which, we will sadly terminate the Cooperative, since it is clearly no longer sustainable as an effective organisation for our purposes, and running one organisation is quite enough work for an estate of only 75 units.

We sincerely trust that these proposals are practicable under FCA regulations, since the funds in question were in effect earned by the community itself during the years when it was responsible for the under-subsidised management, maintenance and refurbishment of the estate, when many residents undertook work without payment. Without that community initiative to restore social housing which had been allowed to decay, there might not be a Juniper House.
The fund was recognised as a distinct asset of the Cooperative by LB Southwark in their final audit of the TMO - before it was closed by them.

Please contact for further details.

Yours,

Rob Kenyon
Treasurer: Juniper House Cooperative Ltd.
Secretary: Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association.
0207 732 8493

communal tv aerial

reconnections

Many flats were diconnected from the old roof aerials during previous regeneration works, but the line still exists to most flats, and merely needs reintalling inside.
All flats can be connected, and they work for all but the highest frequency channels.
Mid-price TV digital services such as TalkTalk have good reception, except on high frequency channels like PSB America and a few others, which are beyond range.
Southwark is hoping to update the aerials to modern standards at some time.
To request reconnection **Contact:**
0800 952 4444, or email: EngineeringServices@southwark.gov.uk

toadstool path

The recent rain has brought out hundreds of fungi on the wood-chip path, of several different species. It seems this is perfect habitat for fungi, and that this display is going to be a permanent attraction, with more varieties arriving each season. They appear fast and are never in full flower for long, so if you want to see them at their best, look within a few hours after the rain stops.
Naturally, however beautiful, they should not be eaten without precise identification.

£9,000/year to share

for the record

Consumption figures for last year show the Estate Lighting bill for 2017 was almost £9,000. Not having to pay that bill would benefit all residents. The Solar PV project would do just that.

£8,890.75 divided between 75 flats = £118.54/year.

Summary : Juniper House Accounts 2017 (calendar year)

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		30,395KWh	**£8,890.75**

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Annual General Meeting

(possibly the last)

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save 50% on water bills

you might qualify for WaterSure Plus

WaterSure Plus reduces bills by 50% for qualifying customers, whether you have a water meter or not and regardless of who sends you the bill.

To Qualify, you need to answer **YES** to parts 1 **and** 2 below.
(Useful to have details of your yearly gross and net household income, benefits and water bills to hand.)

1. Your water bill is 3% or more of your yearly net household income
If your water bill is lower than 3%, you won't qualify for WaterSure Plus.
(Yearly water bill divided by your net household income multipied by 100)
EG Annual water bill of **£500** and a yearly net household income of **£10,000** would be a qualifying result of **5%.**
500 ÷ 10,000 = 0.05.
0.05 X 100 = 5%.

2. <u>One or more</u> of the following applies to you:
Either:
a. Your yearly gross household income is **less than £16,105 and**
b. Someone in your household is **aged over 62** or
c. Someone in your household is **registered disabled or**
d. Someone living with you has parental **responsibility for a child aged up to 5**

Or someone in your household receives **one or more of these benefits:**
• Housing Benefit, Income Support, Working Tax Credit, Pension Credit, Universal Credit, Child Tax, Income Based Job Seekers Allowance (JSA), Income based Employment and Support Allowance (ESA).

How to apply
Email your name, address and contact number to:
customerservices@thameswater.co.uk and we'll send you an application form in the post.

Call 0800 980 8800 for an application form. 8am–8pm Mon-Frid, 8am-6pm Saturday.

If you are deaf or hard of hearing, please call **0800 316 6899.**
Lines are open 24 hours a day. Voice calls or mobile numbers are not accepted.

Extra Care Services Team on **0800 009 3652.** Lines open 9am-5pm Mon -Frid.

Print your own application form
Download, print and complete the form. Then send to
WaterSure Team. Thames Water. PO Box 508. Swindon. SN38 2TX

www.thameswater.co.uk/My-Account/Billing-and-payment/Help-paying-your-bill/Watersure-Plus-scheme

parking tickets issued in juniper

have you been nicked?

According to the grapevine, Juniper residents have been ticketed for parking their cars in the Juniper carpark. Especially cars parked in front of pramsheds.
It is clear that we need a new paring system urgently. This was raised at the last TRA meeting in June and will be raised again on Tuesday.
Have you been effected?

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connecting rough sleepers to local services

0300 500 0914 • www.streetlink.org.uk

If you are concerned about someone you have seen sleeping rough, you can use this website to send an alert to **StreetLink**.

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who ate all the plums?

Just when they were about to come into full fruit, all the plums in the garden have suddenly vanished without a trace. Almost overnight.
It's a great mystery.
Chief suspects at the moment are animals looking for a drink in the horribl;e weather. But that would leave heaps of discarded stones, which aren't there.
Any witnesses?

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planning a barbecue?

feel free to use the de-luxe Juniper barbecue/smoker (no deposit)

apply flat 32.

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

July 24th 2018. Meeting Agenda

Flat 30A • 7.30pm

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

Parking issues.

4) Feedback from Major Works

5) Secretary's Report

6) Finance Report

7) Group Reports

8) Other Business

School holiday ideas.

9) Juniper Cooperative Business

10) Next Meeting

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General Meeting
Tuesday, July 24th

7.30pm • Flat 30A. Juniper House

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All Residents Welcome

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babysitting allowance available

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Want to save 50% on water bills?

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Been fined for parking in your own car park?

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see inside

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association
Meeting 19 • 12/06/2018 • Flat 30A • 7.30pm
Minutes

1. Present.
Coralie Allison flat 16; Rob Kenyon flat 32 (secretary); Mrs A. Lawson flat 23; Claire Palmer flat 63; Lloyd Trott flat 46; Jaki Wilford flat 14 (chair).

2. Apologies. Tim Burrow

3. Approval of Minutes of last Meeting. Minutes approved.

4. Matters Arising from last Meeting.
Action on proposal to set up Credit account for office supplies.
Application form sourced for account with Staples Ltd. Needs secretary and treasurer to work together to fill in.
Action: secretary and treasurer.

5. Solar Project
LBS has supplied long-awaited consumption figures for the Estate Lighting, and we can now create new tenders for distribution to contractors.
Action: Solar Group

6. Garden Report.
Woodland site (near ballcourt) now at its best. New vegetable border opened. Beans growing at present, ideas for next year's crop welcome. New wood-chip paths laid from tree-surgery waste. More LBS tree-work to happen before Autumn.

7. Major Works
a) Meeting not satisfied with LBS/Elkins management of final snagging items raised. Especially cleaning, and completion of balcony abd staircase work.
b) Leaseholders should check major works service charges for items which have not been completed.
c) All residents urged to report Major Works faults promptly to: chris.ayton@southwark.gov.uk

8. Other Business
a) Rough Sleepers and Anti-Social Behaviour.
The meeting was informed that the advice from Southwark is to call 101, reporting time, place and description of rough sleepers. This process is needed to allocate resources as effectively as possible. (If the problem isn't logged it doesn't exist).
Any actual crimes, such as drug-dealing, should be reported to 999.

b) Request from secretary for new printer cartridge. Approved.
c) Barbeque Sunday July 8th.

Next Meeting.
July 24th

Major Works

Further walkabouts with George Briggs (LBS Clerk of Works), Chris Ayton (LBS Contract Manager, Serina Usher and Rosemarie Cousins (LBS Resident Services) have resulted in assurances that works will be completed to the required standard. Which means it is our responsibility as a community to report any faults immediately. Outstanding items include smears and staining on the staircase surfaces in general, and on windows in particular. And tapemarks on front doors. LBS reps are clear this is the responsibility of the contractors.

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Solar Panel Project. £9,000/year to Share
(Where else but Juniper?)

We now have accurate consumption figures for last year (see below).
The Estate Lighting bill for 2017 was almost £9,000. Not having to pay that service charge would benefit all residents, not just leaseholders. Annual rent statements include a specific item for estate lighting which can easily be removed from the total.

Tenders for the contract will be issued as soon as possible.
Watch this space.

The Solar Project Group welcomes new volunteers to keep ideas fresh

Please emal: sec.junipertra@juniper.com • phone 0207 732 8493
Rob Flat 32

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street link

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You will receive details of the action the local authority normally takes when they are told someone is sleeping rough in their area and an update on what has happened as a result of your alert within 10 working days if you have requested it.

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school holiday ideas

Juniper has lots of money to spend on projects for the holidays.

Bring all proposals, with rough costings, to the meeting on the 24th, where they can be approved quickly, rather than having to wait for further authorisation.

Suggestions so far include a pottery workshop, afternoon teas, and den-building. But family trips to the seaside, or other days out can also be considered.

Anyone with any skills to offer please come to the meeting on the 24th or

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Tuesday, July 24th

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(see back page)

What is antisocial behaviour?

from Metropolitan Police Website: www.met.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/asb/antisocial-behaviour/

'Antisocial behaviour is defined as 'behaviour by a person which causes, or is likely to cause, harassment, alarm or distress to one or more persons not of the same household as the person' (Antisocial Behaviour Act 2003 and Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011).

There are three main categories for antisocial behaviour, depending on how many people are affected:

• **Personal antisocial behaviour** is when a person targets a specific individual or group.

• **Nuisance antisocial behaviour** is when a person causes trouble, annoyance or suffering to a community.

• **Environmental antisocial behaviour** is when a person's actions affect the wider environment, such as public spaces or buildings.

Under these main headings antisocial behaviour falls into one of 13 different types:

1. Vehicle abandoned: This covers vehicles that appear to have been left by their owner, rather than stolen and abandoned. It includes scrap or 'end of life' vehicles and those damaged at the scene of a road traffic collision that have been abandoned and aren't awaiting recovery.

2. Vehicle nuisance or inappropriate use: This relates to vehicles being used in acts such as street cruising (driving up and down the street causing annoyance and bothering other road users), vehicle convoys and riding or driving on land other than a road. It also covers the misuse of go-peds, motorised skateboards and electric-propelled cycles, and the unlicensed dealing of vehicles where a person has two or more vehicles on the same road within 500 metres of each other.

3. Rowdy or inconsiderate behaviour: This refers to general nuisance behaviour in a public place or a place to which the public have access, such as private clubs. It does not include domestic-related behaviour or public disorder which should be reported as crimes.

4. Rowdy or nuisance neighbours: This covers any rowdy behaviour or general nuisance caused by neighbours, including boundary and parking disputes. It also covers noise nuisance from parties or playing loud music.

5. Littering or drugs paraphernalia: This includes fly posting and discarding litter, rubbish or drugs paraphernalia in any public place.

6. Animal problems: This covers any situation where animals are creating a nuisance or people's behaviour associated with the use of animals is deemed as antisocial. It includes uncontrolled animals, stray dogs, barking, fouling and intimidation by an animal.

7. Trespassing: This is any situation in which people have entered land, water or premises without lawful authority or permission. It ranges from taking an unauthorised shortcut through a garden to setting up unauthorised campsites.

8. Nuisance calls: This covers any type of communication by phone that causes anxiety and annoyance, including silent calls and intrusive 'cold calling' from businesses. It does not cover indecent, threatening or offensive behaviour which should be reported as crimes.

9. Street drinking: This relates to unlicensed drinking in public spaces, where the behaviour of the persons involved is deemed as antisocial. It also covers unplanned and spontaneous parties which encroach on the street.

10. Prostitution-related activity: This relates to any activity involving prostitution such as loitering, displaying cards or promoting prostitution. It may also refer to activities in and around a brothel that impact on local residents. It does not include 'kerb-crawling' which should be reported as a crime.

11. Nuisance noise: This relates to all incidents of noise nuisance that do not involve neighbours (see 'Nuisance neighbours' above).

12. Begging or vagrancy: This covers anyone begging or asking for charitable donations in a public place, or encouraging a child to do so, without a license. It also includes sleeping rough in the open air, shop doorways or communal areas. Unlicensed ticket sellers at or near public transport hubs may also fall into this category.

13. Misuse of fireworks: This will include the inappropriate use of fireworks, the unlawful sale or possession of fireworks and noise created by fireworks.

Local Safer Neighbourhoods Team Drop-in surgeries

The Green, 5 Nunhead Green SE15

11:00AM - 12:00PM, Wed 11 July 2018

11:00AM - 12:00PM, Wed 18 July 2018

11:00AM - 12:00PM, Tue 24 July 2018

Juniper TRA Meeting
7.30, Tuesday, July 24
Flat 30A

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Hatcham Gardens

concerns

According to Engie,the contractors for the new development on the glassworks site, Hatcham Park will not to be built on.

The unexpectedly large area now occupied had to be allocated for main delivery access via Kender Street, and for site buildings.

The contract is expected to last until the Summer of 2020.

Early that year, there will be consultation with local residents to decide the future form of the park.

Contacts for Engie

Site Manager:

Warren Ross. tel: 0797 668 2413

Resident Liaison Officer:

Brooke Rutherford. tel: 0776 802 5129 (not '5128' as in Peabody/Engie June newsletter)

Community Investment Officer:

Karen Field. tel: 0781 429 9523

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Karen has said she would like to attend a TRA meeting to address any concerns, at a convenient date.

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SUMMER

BARBEQUE

NIGHT

this SUNDAY

July 8th

late afternoon until after dark

◦ in the garden, under the lampost ◦

All Welcome

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association • Meeting 18 • 01/05/2018 • Flat 30A • 7.30pm

Minutes

1) Present. Coralie Allison, Tim Burrow (treasurer), Martin Hughes, Rob Kenyon (secretary), Mrs Lawson, Jackie Wilford (chair).
2) Apologies. Lloyd Trott.

3) Approval of Minutes Minutes of 13/3/2018 were approved.

4) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting
Item 6. ('Issues reported to site meeting'). Most problems still unresolved. Further action at final snagging walkabout 9/5/2018 with Elkins and LBS.

5) Major Works Consultation Issues
Residents were asked to report any outstanding faults to the secretary as soon as possible. And to report seperately to Elkins and LBS.
Issues from floor.
a) Persistent walkway ponding after rain.
b) Gas flue F13 still unfinished.
c) Top window lights in flats uncleanable. Also reports of problems fully opening windows.
d) Final state of building dirty, and staircases not of quality and finish we were given to expect.
e) Substantial scaffolding damage to garden and fixtures.

6) Secretary's Report (see Group reports)

7) Finance Report
Proposal: 'Juniper TRA set up cheque accounts with Garden and Office suppliers to make procurement easier. All orders to be approved by TRA meeting.'
Prop RK. Sec JW. Passed Unanimously.

8) Group Reports
a) Solar PV Project.
Progress. LBS have finally conceded that they do in fact pay the Npower bills for the estate lighting, in spite of repeated denials. The correct department has been identified, and Juniper consumption figures should be provided soon.
Date of next Group Meeting to be arranged by members.
b) Garden.
Semi-shade area exceeding expectations. Several unexpected species appearing. All planted areas promising interesting displays through Summer. Rose, Honeysuckle, Hazel,and other perennials well-established. LBS programme of tree works submitted and started (details in Newsletter 52 23/4/2018). Paths now surfaced with woodchips produced by last tree surgery. Bi-products of future work should be recycled on site as much as possible.
The meeting approved the presentation of a proposal at the next meeting to help with the refurbishment of the garden after the Major Works, and to offer of help to ground floor residents to repair damage or begin new projects.
Action - Secretary.

9) Other Business
Future car-park management.
Options discussed included:
a) Refurbishment or replacement of derelict gate system.
b) Personal space allocation via parking pins.
c) Membership of monitored system. EG. LBS resident parking scheme.
Action - Residents to investigate and report back.

Satellite Dishes/TV Aerial
No progress yet on reconnection to roof aerial as promised by LBS. Residents have reported that Sky engineers have stated that the roof areial signal can be fed through a box to provide a service without a dish.
To be confirmed.

10) Juniper Cooperative Business
Accounts for 2017/18 due. Awaiting bank statements for final quarter. Meeting was informed that since the decision to donate reserves to the TRA had been approved by AGMs of both organisations, any Coop meeting could now enact the transfer on demand by a TRA meeting, with due notice.

11) Next Meeting
June 12

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

June 12th 2018. Meeting Agenda

Flat 30A • 70.30pm

1) Apologies

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3) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

Trade credit accounts for TRA.

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5) Secretary's Report

6) Finance Report

7) Group Reports

8) Other Business

Rough sleepers

Proposal. The TRA authorises a budget of £100 specifically to repair scaffolding damage to gardens of ground floor flats.

9) Juniper Cooperative Business

10) Next Meeting

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32 Juniper House.

general meeting

tuesday, June 12

7.30pm • Flat 30A. Juniper House (ground floor north corner)

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all residents welcome

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Orphan Plants

There are mature **Rosemary** and **Lavender** plants in really nice containers still unclaimed at the plant refuge.

If their owner no longer wants them, the Garden group will find a home for them.

please contact 0207 732 8493.

Final Snagging Items Raised with Elkins/LBS to Date

Responses by LBS. [R]

Cleaning Contract Clarification

If **GC/Works/1** or similar contract was used, the contractor's obligations are clear:
A) Work areas must be cleared and cleaned at the end of each day.
If the contract used is **TPC 2005 Partnering Contract**, there are similar clauses regarding cleaning at the end of each working day within this contract to GCWorks,
[R] *The contractor did carry out his duties on a daily basis, the issue is that the estate cleaners have not been carrying out their duties whilst Elkins have been on site. Chris Ayton will contact the cleaning section regarding the cleaning of the block.*

B) On completion the Contractor shall properly clean floors, woodwork, steps, yards, clear out all gutters, drains and gullies and leave the whole of the works in a clean, sound and fit condition for occupation.
[R] *As above*

C) The contractor is to ensure that the public highway, estate roads and pavements etc. are kept clear of mud and other debris resulting from the works at all times. This should extend to the cleaning of vehicle tyres etc. where necessary.
[R] *As above*

Items Reported

1) No cleaning at end of contract including: Balcony walkways and stairs, painted copings, wall tiling, wndows and staircase glazing, forecourt.
[R] *A Builders clean has been carried out, however I have e-mailed Sharon Shadbolt regarding the cleaning to the glazing opposite the stairs, this will require a chemical clean which is additional to the contract.*

2) Tiling. No attempt at colour matching. No grouting or cleaning of existing or repaired tiles.
[R] *The tiling was originally down to be painted, the tiled are got omitted at the request of the TNRA, and therefore no other works were added regarding the tiled areas.*

3) Broken glass on north staircase first floor.
[R] *Agreed will be done*

4) Balcony ponding. No attempt at improving falls with new coating.
[R] *The scheme was to carry out repairs and overcoat with a resin finish, no re-levelling of asphalt was included.*

5) Forecourt and garden damage caused during contractor's possession.
[R] *Have you photos of the damage I'm unaware of this damage?* (yes)

6) Balcony wall cracking already visible at brickwork returns on front balconies.
[R] *Structural engineer to re-attend and advise why this is occurring.*

7) No change to branch wastes in bathroom and kitchens. Slow discharge and pulled traps resulting in open drains .
[R] *No works were carried out to the branch wastes to the kitchens and bathrooms, the drainage works were only to the main down pipes, these were cleaned and lined where necessary. Issues with Branch waste needs to go back to repairs.*

8) Have contractor's O&Ms been submitted? Maintenance cycle for painted copings? Cleaning of stair windows now openable windows are painted shut?
[R] *There were no easy clean hinges to these windows and therefore cleaning cannot be carried out safely to these windows, the windows are to an open balcony therefore not required for ventilation. The O&M manuals have not yet been submitted.*

9) Incomplete final coat of paint on outside staircase sill mouldings.
[R] To be completed.

10) Old utility supboards unsealed leaving access for vermin.
[R] Awaiting response.

11) Gaffer tape marks and other residue on doors throughout estate.
[R] Awaiting response.

12) Staircase work cracking at North staircase and various sites.
[R] Awaiting response.

13) No pointing 1st floor North staircase.
[R] Awaiting response.

Additional Items 26/05/2018 >

14) Rainwater downpipe rear of flat 52 left disconnected after painting, directing flow onto wall. Exposed section of downpipe left untreated.
[R] Awaiting response.

Clearly some of these responses [R] are inadequate.

Please bring concerns, and any other faults to the meeting June 12.

Southwark Advice on Rough Sleepers at Juniper

'You need to call the Police on **101** every time you see the rough sleepers around the building. The Police will attend, interview and move them on or even arrest them.
If they are genuinely homeless, they need to go to
25 Bournemouth Road, London, SE15 4UJ
and seek to be re-housed.'

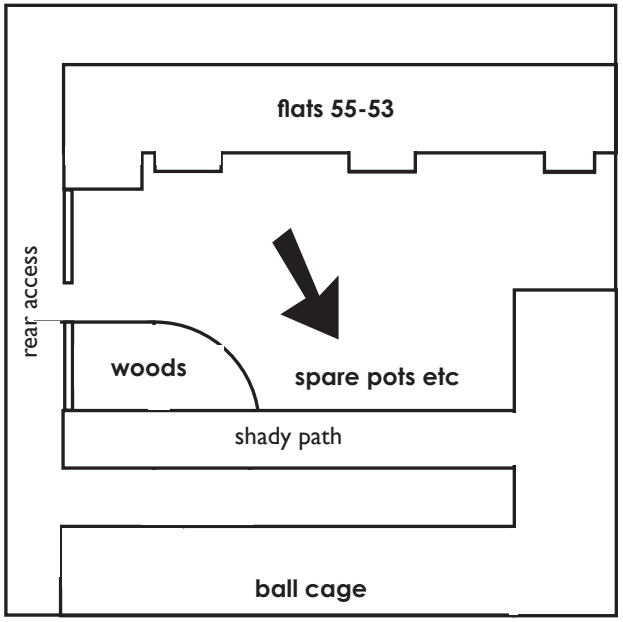
New Area Manager

'I would also like to inform you that from the **28/5/2018**, another officer will be temporarily taking over from me. She's called **Serina Usher** and her email is **serina.usher@southwark.gov.uk'**

Mustapha Semanda. Local Area Management.

Spare Pots for Recycling

There are still many usable pots, windowboxes and containers unclaimed after the major works. If you need any, they are to be found by the bushes near the fence.
All help with the Garden Group still welcome.
Any ideas contact Rob flat 32. or email sec.juniper.tra@gmail.com.



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how satisfied are you with the works you paid for?

(see inside)

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Juniper House TRA • Committee Meeting 17 • 13/03/2018
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Proposed Martin Hughes. Seconded Rob Kenyon.

Passed unanimously. (7/7 Cooperative members)

13. Next Meeting. April 17th

Tree Works 2018

LBS Tree Officer Ernst Erasmus visited on 17 April 2018 and confirmed the following work.

1) The deadwood in the Canadian Oak near Flat 1 is a priority and will be removed in **May 2018.**

2) The minor deadwood in the Field maple will be removed in **June 2018.**

3) The crown of the Robinia with the deadwood will be removed in **June 2018.**

4) The group of feral Cherries will be thinned out and two other intrusive feral saplings removed **June 2018**.

5) Reducing the crown of the three cherries and one whitebeam (at the front of the block) back to their previous reduction points. Scheduled for **October 2018**.

Also action on neighbouring unmanaged trees.

1) the leaseholder in Colls Road to have the deadwood in the tree removed (also the dead vines and cut back the branch growing into the Sorbus).

2) There is another tree in the back garden of 8 Colls Road that needs attention. Liaise with them to prune the tree.

3) A site visit to 1 Colls Road to survey the trees in their rear garden.

Unfortunately, it is not LBS policy to prune trees for the purposes of giving residents access to more light. If we want this kind of work, we will have to fund it ourselves.

Juniper T&RA Meeting Agenda
Flat 30A • 70.30pm • 1st May 2018

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2) Approval of Minutes
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4) Major Works Consultation Issues
5) Secretary's Report
6) Finance Report

Proposal: Juniper TRA set up cheque accounts with Garden and Office suppliers to make procurement easier. All orders to be approved by TRA meeting.

7) Group Reports

For discussion: Refurbishment of garden and offer of help to ground floor residents to replace plants lost during works.

8) Other Business

Discussion. Future car-park management. Satellite dishes.

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Defective Works

Until March 13 2019, report faults in the major works directly to

A&E Elkins - Defects Section. Shelly Sullivan, Defect Co-ordinator.

email: defect@aeelkins.co.uk. trel: 0203 887 6861.

But in order to get the work finished according to expectations, the TRA still needs as many examples of unfinished or defective work as possible.

Juniper House TRA • Committee Meeting 17 • 13/03/2018

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Proposed Martin Hughes. Seconded Rob Kenyon.

Passed unanimously. (7/7 Cooperative members)

11. Next Meeting. April 17th

Responses to March Report to Area Management.

(Mustapha Semanda)

Staircase Cleaning

'I have been advised that the cleaners have been doing their best. However, because Major works have been working in the area and sometimes drill, there's dust in the communal areas etc. Nonetheless, I have informed the cleaning team about your concerns.'

Recycling Collections

'The normal process is for the residents to call the Centre on **02075252600** and report any problems/ log complaints with recycling. The council prefers for such complaints to go through the call centre so that they can be monitored and resolved.'

Faulty Estate Lighting

'I have requested our Communal Repairs Officer Dave Lea to organise so that these lights can be checked by our contractors.'

Dangerous Trees

'I have requested the Aboricultural Officer (Ernst Erasmus) who is responsible for organising for the pruning of the trees to make contact and provide you with an update. I have also requested to meet with him.'

Appointment for 3/4/18 between 11am and 1pm.

Issues Reported to Site Meeting 21/03/2018.

Martin Hughes, Rob Kenyon (JTRA). John Downey, Rosemary Coker (Elkins).
George Bragg, Chris Ayton (LBS)

1) Future maintenance tips for new paintwork and floors on balconies.
Residents should not use strong chemicals or scourers. Soapy water and a brush should remove most stains.

2) Ponding reported on new 3rd and 4th floor walkways after recent rain. To be inspected.

3) Staircase refurbishment.
Tiles on staircases are to be re-pointed. And replaced with nearest match where possible.
Missing moulded top sections (quadrants) to be remodelled with composite and painted to match.
Staircases and walkways to have final cleaning.

4) Drains.
Several reports of backed up drains in spite of recent works.
After maintenance on stacks and underground pipes, this places responsibility for drainage problems squarely with **LBS Repairs** department, who are responsible for outlets to the stacks.

5) Letterbox repairs. Report to LBS

6) Barbecue Demolition. LBS and Elkins now denying initial promises to demolish the BB near flat 1 and re-site the bench and granite slabs. They are under no obligation to undertake this work, but did agree to it as an act of goodwill. We will probably have to do it ourselves.

7) Lawn Refurbishment. Damage to lawn will be made good, but only with standard lawn seed. George advised against sowing meadow mixtures on the grounds that LBS mowing schedules might be disrupted.

8) Leak between flats 63/4. To be inspected.

9) Kitchen Problems. To be inspected.

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General Meeting
Tuesday, April 17th

7.30pm • Flat 30A. Juniper House

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SPRING 2018
BARBECUE
Sunday April 15

mid-afternoon until after dark
bring food, drink,music, but mostly Yourselves...

2017 (reconvened) Juniper House TRA Annual General Meeting Minutes • 7.30pm. 30/01/2018 • Flat 30A

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2. Apologies.. Kirsten Dunham.

3. Minutes of Previous AGM approved by the meeting and signed by the Chair.

4. Presentation of Accounts examined by Southwark Group of Tenants. For period 01/10/2016- 30/09/2017.

Brought Forward at 30/09/2016.	**£ 83.70**
Income (LBS grant)	**£ 1200**
Approved Expenditure	**£ 109.39**
Total	**£1174.31**

Proposal 1: **'This meeting approves the accounts for 2016/17.'**
Proposed: Tim Burrows. Seconded Jackie Wilford.. Passed Unanimously.

5. Appointment of Auditors
Proposal 2: **This meeting approves the appointment of Southwark Group of Tenants as accountants for Juniper House TRA for the forthcoming financial period.'**
Proposed: Tim Burrows. Seconded Jackie Wilford.
Passed Unanimously.

6. Election of Officers
The Chair was passed to Ahmed, who reported on the services and facilities available via SGTO.

Nominations
Chair: Jackie Wilford.
Proposed Tim Burrow.
Seconded Rob Kenyon.
Passed Unanimously.
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Seconded Lloyd Trott.
Passed Unanimously.
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Proposed Jackie Wilford,
Seconded Claire Phillips.
Passed Unanimously.
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Delegates: Claire Phillips- Flat 60. Lloyd Trott- Flat 46
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All appointments approved unanimously. Two further SGTO deputies and one Forum deputy need to be elected at future TRA meeting.

Ahmed was thanked for his help and Jackie resumed the chair.

8. Any Other Business (AOB)
(A) Progress Report on spending proposals from 2017. The secretary updated the meeting on the main proposals approved at the **13/07/2017** TRA meeting.
'Solar panels to power estate lighting. Service charges and rent to be credited appropriately.'
3 quotes received but more required. February deadline for using scaffolding not met. Closer engagement with LBS essential.

Agenda Proposals
This meeting agrees to :
1) Authorise the committee to further investigate the installation of Solar PV Systems to power communal lighting circuits.
Proposed Chair. **Seconded** Frankie.
Passed Unanimously.
2) Formally request access to Juniper House Cooperative funds to finance the Solar PV project, and any other properly costed and approved projects in agreement with London Borough of Southwark, for the common benefit of residents of Juniper House
Proposed Chair. **Seconded** Coralie.
Passed Unanimously.

Proposal from the floor that unofficial action group be approved to further the project. - **Approved**.
Group members: Martin, Coralie, Tim, Rob.

AOB (B) Garden Proposals.
'Surgery of trees which LBS will not deal with as a matter of emergency.'
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Date of Next TRA Meeting. 13 March 2018.
2018 AGM due in early Autumn 2018.

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

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All complaints to: mustapha.semanda@southwark.gov.uk

identity theft

There have been several reports that Juniper refuse is being systematically (and messily) raided and inspected on a regular basis. Residents should be warned of the danger of Identity Theft, and to dispose of any personal documents with care. Anything with your name and address on can be used for fraudulent purposes. Shred, pulp or tear into confetti any papers with personal details or other idenitying data on before disposing of them.

motorbike noise

Residents have complained of improper use of motorbikes at night in Juniper grounds. This qualifies as anti-social behaviour and should be reported.

LBS website (www.southwark.org.uk) or ring 0207 525 5777.

fly-tipping

Rubbish is being dumped in the forecourt.
Please report to Southwark, who pledge to clear reported fly tips on Southwark streets and council owned estates within 24 hours.

'If you see someone fly tipping, don't confront them, but make a note of the following and then contact us to report fly tipping:

1. Date, time and place where it happened.
2. A description of any vehicles involved and their registration number
3. What the waste looks like and how much there is

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Juniper TRA

General Meeting

Tuesday, March 13th

7.30pm • Flat 30A. Juniper House

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All Residents Welcome

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£10 /hour

babysitting allowance available

Minutes • Juniper Tenants & Residents Association • 2016 Annual General Meeting • 15.11.2016

Present.
Louis Rotos, Mustapha Semanda (LBS).
Aftab Hussein (70). Claire Palmer (63). Colleen Williams (18). Cherie Stevens (16). Paul Hood (73). Lloyd Trott (46). Kirsten Dunham. (60). Claire Phillips (60). Rob Kenyon (32). Jackie Wilford (14). Tim Burrow (13). Coralie Allison (16). 8.20pm Karl Bolingbroke (19).

1. Apologies. Martin Hughes

2. Annual Report

The Secretary's report of activities and events during 2015/16 was delivered and accepted by the meeting.
Items and issues mentioned included:

• Concerns over future of the block in 2015. Residents pressed for clarification on Saville Report and action to preserve Juniper.

• Formation of Conservation Group to investigate and discuss in detail issues effecting the future of Juniper House and its development.

• Formation of Gardening Group to help monitor and maintain the grounds, and to encourage more use of the garden in the interest of the community.

• Noise and Anti-social behaviour. Problems experienced in the Summer seems to have reduced since barrier replacement and signs placed in ball court. New signs and padlocks needed.

• Major Works. Contract manager Chris Ayton attended TRA meeting to consult with residents, and held a session in Queen's Road Centre. Firm dates for a start have not yet been recieved. The issue of satellite dishes is still unresolved. Reassurances have been given that dishes will be functional during works, but the policy towards re-fixing to the building will be re-assessed in 2018.
Action Chris Ayton to be invited to TRA meeting before contract start.

3. Sub-committee Reports
• Garden Group.
Activities: 3 Gardening/barbeque Days. Weeds cleared, seeds, bulbs and trees planted.

Moderate level of participation reported involving cross section of community. Kids especially appreciative. Roses and hazels planted. More seeds planned for woodland area in Spring.
Meeting approved activities activities of group during 2015/6.
Mustapha granted permission for moderate planting in Flat 1 area.

• Conservation Group.
Activities. Information has been shared via the newsletter and a cabinet meeting was attended last year, but there has been no co-ordinated group activity recently.

4. Verified Accounts
Tim reported that the TRA had opened a cheque-only account with Metrobank.
There had been 3 transactions during the year including a donation from Juniper Cooperative Ltd of £200, reimbursement of agreed garden and office expenses, and payment of the first LBS grant.

Balance £1283.70

The meeting approved the accounts and the choice of Southwark Group of Tenants Organisation as accountants for Juniper TRA..

5. Elections of Officers
Louis Rotos assumed the chair and thanked the previous committee for their work.

Chair. Jackie Wilford. Nominated Tim Burrow. Seconded Kirsten Dunham.
Voted in favour Unanimous.

Vice Chair. Lloyd Trott. Nominated Rob Kenyon. Seconded Jackie Wilford.
Voted in favour Unanimous.

Treasurer. Tim Burrow. Nominated Aftab Hussein. Seconded Kirsten Dunham.
Voted in favour Unanimous

Secretary. Rob Kenyon. Nominated Tim Burrow. Seconded Colleen Williams.
Voted in favour Unanimous.

All other residents at the meeting at the time mutually nominated and seconded each other as committee members, and voted unanimously in favour of the new committee.

7. Elections of Delegates to Area Housing Forums and other bodies.
No nominations forthcoming. Louis suggested further investigation and agreed to forward more detailed information about groups and funding sources. The TRA can elect delegates at future meetings.
Louis handed the chair back to Jackie.

8. Proposals

'This meeting agrees to pay a baby-sitting allowance of £10/meetings for parents of young children.'
Proposed Secretary. Seconded Chair. Voted in favour Unanimous.
Age limit for children to be as previous Baby-sitting allowance pre 2013.

9. Other Business.

i) Balcony Plant Removal.
Mustapha reported that this is the result of risk assessments by the fire safety officer.

Risk officer to be invited to meeting try to arrive at possible design for planters which would meet requirements.

ii) Satellite Dishes.
The meeting stressed that there were several residents who needed their dishes to access tv in their own language, and that sudden removal after years of use is unreasonable. And that it is reasonable to expect the council to participate in providing modern telecomms access to residents.
Chris Ayton to clarify and update. Justin Hall be invited to TRA meeting.

iii) Juniper Co-op Annual General Meeting due early in new year. Completion of this meeting is essential to the immediate future of the TRA. It is hoped this will be one of the last Co-op meetings, and that the organisation can be retired as soon as possible.

10. Next AGM. To be arranged.

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30/01/2018 • 7.30pm • Flat 30A. Juniper House SE14 5BY

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Juniper TRA

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Annual General Meeting

proposed new date

Tuesday, January 30th

It seems that Juniper Residents Association is in trouble. Just when we were so close to making a difference.

The fact is that if we don't manage to hold an Annual General Meeting soon, it is hard to see the organisation surviving much longer - which would be a great shame. And it's just as hard to see us getting the chance to spend our money - which bizarre.

Both attempts to have a meeting in October failed, in front of Southwark officials. The next time we need to be sure a meeting is going to happen.

So please

- If **January 30th** is NOT a good date for you, please let us know and if possible suggest a suitable alternative date.
(email above or contact Rob Kenyon, secretary, Flat 32).
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- If you can make the 30th, PLEASE say. And please bring a neighbour with you.

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Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association

Annual General Meeting

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WIN!

£25 Shopping Vouchers

WIN!

Free Ticket for all Residents at the Meeting on Thursday night

(7.30pm • Flat 30A)

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October 19

(Reconvened)
Annual General Meetings of

Juniper TRA

&

Juniper House Cooperative

7.30pm • 30A Juniper House

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guest

Louis Rotsos (LBS

PRIZE RAFFLE!

nominations needed in advance for Co-op chair, vice-chair, treasurer & secretary to Flat 32

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8) Any Other Business

Last Will & Testament of Juniper House Cooperative

reg Friendly Society: 25859R

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To be written by its membership

7.30pm • October 10th • Flat 30A

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It is clear that the Co-op cannot survive much longer. Its job seems to be done. But there is still the matter of the disposal of the remaining assets.

The Juniper Reserve Fund is what remains of a payment by the Greater London Council in respect of backdated, unpaid maintenance grant, made when Southwark took over ownership.

In effect, the residents of Juniper *earned* this Fund by doing much of the work which the GLC grant should have paid for - repairs, organising lettings and even collecting the rent (every Friday, door-to-door).

The Juniper Reserve is a genuine community legacy, and it is now time to pass it on. This is the chance to do so.

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Due to lack of space in the newsletter, minutes of the previous annual general meetings will be available at meeting on October 10th, or on request from the secretary:

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All nominations for posts to the secretary

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October 10

Annual General Meetings of

Juniper TRA

&

Juniper House Cooperative

7.30pm • 30[A] Juniper House

Elections • Accounts • Spending

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guests

Louis Rotsos (LBS)

Sandra Rhule (local councillor)

see agendas inside

nominations needed for chair, vice-chair, treasurer & secretary

Juniper House Cooperative 2016 AGM
7th February 2017 (reconvened)

Minutes

Present: Tim Burrow, Ali Jayne, Coralie Allison, Lloyd Trott, Rob Kenyon

Apologies: Kirsten Dunham, Claire Phillips and Jackie Wilford

Matters Arising

There were no outstanding actions from 2015-16.
Selection of Accountants
A decision was taken to continue with CW Accounting this April – the accounts are still not straightforward so the bill may still be sizeable.

Presentation of the Accounts

Main cause of delay and complication with moving accountant is that the mutual society annual returns had not been done since 2014 and therefore cumulative bill had been amassing based on assets that we no longer had. These returns have now been done retrospectively but the Cooperative is now waiting for a response from the FSA.
The Cooperative account has c£28,000 remaining.

Other Financial Matters

- PAYE for the TMO worker paperwork has been overlooked and is not up to date. Accountant raised this this year and is now seeking to clarify matters with the HMRC.
Worker was a TMO employee not Juniper House Cooperative and therefore there should have been better oversight from London Borough of Southwark.

- There was a discussion about the merits of the cooperative transferring the remaining reserve to the TRA in order to reduce the administration requirements and avoid having to pay for two sets of accountancy fees. Question remains about funding and supporting services eligibility if this route is taken.

Election of officers

- Lloyd Trott elected Chair
- Coralie Allison elected Vice Chair
- Rob Kenyon elected Treasurer
- Tim Burrow elected Secretary

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

7.30PM. September 12th. 30A JUNIPER HOUSE.

Meeting Agenda

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Matters Arising

• 'The TRA agrees to contribute towards the legal costs of the leaseholder group which sought advice into contract-related service charges.'

4) Major Works Issues

5) Secretary's Report

6) Finance Report

7) Conservation Group

Report on progress of projects agreed at last meeting

8) Garden Group

9) Juniper Cooperative Report

10) Other Business

11) Date of Next Meeting

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Hear more at the meeting on Sept 12

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Juniper TRA Meeting

7.30pm Tuesday, September 12

30A Juniper House

Spending Proposal

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Double Annual General Meeting Night

Juniper TRA
&
Juniper House Cooperative

7.30pm Tuesday, October 10
30A Juniper House

Elections • Accounts •Spending
Extremely important.

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July Site Meeting. 19/7/2017. Flat 1.

(A&E Elkins) Michael Springer, John Downey. (LBS) Chris Ayton, Danielle Edie, George Briggs (Clerk of Works). Rob Kenyon, JTRA. Cynthia Wheeler, Resident.

1. Matter Arising from June Meeting.

a) Pollution monitors. LBS will not pay for Friends of the Earth monitors. TRA will have to.

b) Staffing Levels. Numbers have been low on site recently because workers were diverted to deal with emergency fire-regulation issues on another estate nearby. Full staffing to be resumed soon.

c) Staircase A. May be closed again during works, but not at night. And alternative access routes will not be blocked during works on A.

As the first staircase this was a 'pilot job' to be used as a template for the other two, which entails longer assessment times and more checks between phases.

d) IRS/Satellite dishes. Chris Ayton to forward report on proposals for future initiatives when available.

Issues Reported from TRA 13/7/2017

1. Blocked wheelchair ramp near flat 1. To be freed as soon as possible or new temporary ramp installed.

2. Security. Any intruders on scaffolding to be reported to 999. Alarm systems found to be impractical, and removed by request when tried.

3. Solar Panels. Should TRA initiative to install solar panels on roof during contract happen, any contractors will be under Elkins control.

4. Any repairs to forecourt by LBS will probably have to wait until contract has ended.

Other issues reported.

1. Programme Updates. To be supplied, but on the understanding that they are flexible figures and may change.

2. Concrete specs (action sec to email Elkins direct)

3. Fire Drills. Elkins & LBS to distribute simple clear recommendations to block.

4. Fire Points. Sited at the foot of each staircase.

5. Lighting levels. Debris mesh non-negotiable for H&S reasons. Safeguards against anything falling from scaffolding during works.

6. Drains. Rear Rainwater gulleys and front drainage stacks to be serviced and repaired where needed.

7. Fire Safety. John Button and Mark Digby of London Fire Service visited and approved the site.

John Downey to make safe any debris mesh within reach. There will be no flames on the scaffold during asphalt works. All hot materials will be prepared at ground level and hoisted to site.

Minutes • Juniper Meeting 16 13/07/2017

1. Present.

Lloyd Trott, Aft Hussein, Claire Phillips, Kirsten Dunham, Jackie Wilford (chair), Rob Kenyon (secretary).

2. Apologies.

Coralie Allison, Tim Burrow.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting.

Approved.

4. Matters Arising from Minutes.

[Claire report from leaseholder consultation with lawyer.]

Main conclusions that Leaseholders were not liable for Improvements, just for Repairs and Maintenance.

Leaseholders may have a case if LBS neglected to access available government funding without due cause.

Chair. The proposed contribution by the TRA to leaseholder legal costs would be more acceptable if there had been more consultation with the TRA prior to engaging a lawyer, and more involvement in the TRA meetings which discussed the issue of making a contribution towards costs.

ACTION. Claire to contact more leaseholders to update and canvass more support.

ACTION. secretary: Draft spending agenda item for next meeting in newsletter.

4. Works.

Issues to be Reported.

1. Rubbish dumped on site (in motorbike area.)

2. Wheelchair ramp near flat 1 blocked.

3. Forecourt cracks formally registered as a Repair on LBS website. Residents urged to use LBS repairs website.

5. Finance

Approved expenditure.

a) Office paper (1 box).

b} FOE Air monitoring kit.

Major Spending Proposals. (from combined TRA and Juniper Co-op funds)

a) Solar panels to power estate lighting. Service charges and rent to be credited appropriately)

b) Tree Surgery. Of trees which LBS will not deal with as a matter of emergency.

c) Re-siting of ailing tropical plants in shaded area to raised beds in open locations.

6. Co-op Matters

2016/17 Accounts and Financial Conduct Return forwarded to FCA.

AGM due.

7. Other Business

a) Break in reported. Warning to be placed in newsletter.

b) Barbecue. August 20th.

8. Next Meeting

12/9/2017

juniper tree surgery

LBS are still proving very slow in removing intrusive and dangerous branches from Juniper trees. A visit to assess priority work has been promised for some months, with no outcome as yet.

Especially worrying is the degree of infection to the large American Oak near the path from flat 1 to the garden.
Many large dead branches of this tree overhang the pathway in general use, and clearly pose a danger in high winds.

Quotes are also being sought by the TRA for pre-emptive work on wild saplings and some mature specimens which will cause problems in the near future, and which LBS is unlikely to undertake. (See July minutes)
More at the meeting. 12/9/2017

Daytime Burglary

After the break-in last month, residents should be alert to possible security problems, and call the police if suspicious.
Please ensure that balcony doors and all windows are also securely locked when you are out. And that the keys are not visible from outside.

Scaffold No-Go

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Wheelchair Ramp

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Juniper Solar Power Project

The TRA meeting in July authorised that quotes be sought for installing solar panels on the roof in order to power the estate lighting, and as many other communal services as possible. So far, two quotes have been received.

Apart from its environmental benefits, the main aim of this project is to reduce service charges and rents for all residents. External funding is being sought, but in fact, Juniper House Cooperative could almost fund the entire scheme.

If the work were to begin soon, significant savings could be made by using the scaffolding in place until Spring 2018.

Please share any experiences, advice or information. Especially concerning grants. (address above).

Hear more at the meeting on Sept 12

MINUTES OF SITE CONSULTATION-MEETING Flat 1. 21/06/2017

• **Parking** – it was noted that if there are residents with special needs, provision can be made.

• It was also noted that residents would like a form of compensation due to the inconvenience of parking however no provision within LBS to make claim for this.

• RPT would like to investigate and negotiate with the owners of the glass works site across the road from Juniper House as a means of parking. - One of the resident project team members is to make contact with site owners and advise on any proposal.

• **Congestion** on Pomeroy Street – commercial parking and an increase in pollution.
Note – Environmental Agency is the best contact for monitoring **pollution** and the parking matter to be taken up (following local petition) generally with the parking services department and the local councillors.

• In addition it was floated to possibly introduce resident parking only on Pomeroy St (which would incur a charge) to prohibit commercial vehicles including the many van rental vehicles.

• RPT would like council officers to attend **T&RA meetings.** This would be on a need basi. However LBS contracts manager willing to attend meetings.

• **Timetables** for kitchen and bathroom works – Residents are also requesting a firm timetable for their works. – The appointments system is currently being negotiated with residents by the site resident liaison officers with a safe key system for resident's currently in place. It was generally acknowledged there have been problems with kitchen units either being delivered damaged or being damaged during installation. -

• **Snagging and signing off** works. It was pointed out to RPT that there are at least 2/3 stages of checking defects before works are signed off as complete.

All **defects** can and will be picked up by the LBS 'clerk of works' before works signed as complete also residents can point out any particular issues whilst works are still in progress before any sign off as works complete. There have also been some design issues where the position and access to gas meters have not been accounted for within the design drawing however this has been taken up with the kitchen suppliers and should no longer be a problem.

• **Missed appointments**. - RPT to provide Elkins with residents details re missed appointments. It was noted that residents are given a 15 day notice re kitchen and bathroom works however the precise times of calls should be agreed as far as possible with the site management team.

• Elkins to ensure site staff wear **ID at all times** and to ensure all work lights are switched off at the end of the working day.

• Discussions on residents being left without **gas cookers** - which will be looked into by the site team as temporary cookers can be provided where required.

• **Dust management and ladders** being left in the communal areas. The concrete cutting tools where possible are now fitted with bags to collect dust and areas can be damped down after works.

• **Cabling**. Any cabling will be removed to enable works and placed back in position as it is not a part of these works to check for possible redundant wiring.

• **IRS system /block communal TV circuit** – Initial enquiries were made and the results of which will be shortly fed back to the project team. This aspect of works does not form part of the contract.

• RPT requested overhanging branches / **trees** to be cut back – RPT in direct communication with the Arboriculture Office.

LETTERS FROM DAVID ROWSON (LBS Fire Safety Team Manager) in response to issues raised at Fire Safety Meeting. Old Kent Road Fire Station. 27/06/2017

TO: John.Downey@aeelkins.co.uk.
CC. Sharon.Shadbolt@southwark.gov.uk. Keiron.Carroll@southwark.gov.uk. Mustapha.Semanda@southwark.gov.uk. jerel.morris@aeelkins.co.uk.

As you will be aware following the recent tragic event in North Kensington our residents have enquired about a large number of issues relating to fire safety and this I fully understand. I know that we have corresponded on a number of occasions regarding the scaffolding and I also know you have liaised with the local fire station regarding where this is sited-can you confirm that this has all been approved and there are no further issues?

Does the debris netting conform to TG20:13 and is there a requirement under that or any other guidance for it to be fire retardant. Can you confirm that the netting around the scaffolding complies with this?

I know residents have real concerns regarding the traffic in Pomeroy Street and I tend to agree with them as I use that road regularly and more often than not it is more akin to a one way street given the large amount of traffic.
Can you confirm that there is a traffic management system in place for works traffic applicable to those vehicles associated with the works at Pomeroy Street?

Lastly, can I let you know that my team and the London Fire Brigade are going to be carrying out a large number of checks (separately) on all our buildings to ensure that those with and without works onsite are being appropriately managed and are safe for our residents and Juniper House will be one of those blocks on our list. Could those contractors in your charge have all things fire safety related enforced ?

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TO: Mustapha.Semanda@southwark.gov.uk.

Can you confirm please in an e-mail and include all those cc'd that the common areas are clear of all combustibles and obstructions. Can you also confirm that where this is not the case that residents have been spoken to and there is an action plan to remove them this week.

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The minutes (left) are written commitments to certain standards of performance. Please refer to them if needed.
If you have any feedback please contact flat 32 • sec.junipertra@gmail.com
Delegates from Juniper ('RPT') raised issues reported to TRA meeting and informally. Minutes taken by Danielle Edie of LBS. Present: Michael Springer, John Downey A&E Elkins ltd. Chris Ayton, Danielle Edie, Clerk of Works. LBS. Rob Kenyon Juniper.

Works Problems Reported

(Mostly in residents' own words)

• Less than a handful of operatives have shown their ID's or signed the "signing in sheet" when attending.

• Operatives have undertaken works and not cleared up after themselves (a regular occurrence).

• Operatives do not take care when fitting kitchen units.

• Operatives leave electricity on for ridiculous amounts of time (even when not working).

• Front doors are left open (anyone could walk in) and continuously slammed.

• Operatives visiting their friends congregate inside your flat.

• Still no kitchen facilities even though we have a child under the age of 5.

• No timeline given for works, resulting in needless days taken off work.

• LB Southwark and contractors do not seem to communicate effectively and constantly give different accounts, causing confusion.

• I spoke with the Clerk of Works regarding various issues and 2 appointments were made and broken.

• Choices are offered, then they are taken away. Concerns are raised and completely ignored.

• Southwark have a duty of care to all residents and the contractors are supposed to help deliver this. I do not feel this contract is honouring that responsibility.

• Why are there so few workers on site? Why is so much scaffolding erected but not used?

If you have concerns, please report them (see page 1)

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Juniper TRA Meeting

(reconvened)

7.30pm Thursday, July 13th

30[A] Juniper House

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If you have concerns about the building works please bring them to the meeting

also report them directly to
chris.ayton@southwark.gov.uk
michael.springer@aeelkins.co.uk. Flat 1
sec.junipertra@gmail.com. Flat 32

We *can* make a difference

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Garden Day

July 9th

Stalls • Barbecue • Gardening • Swapshop
Organisers needed

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Fresh Fruit Lovers! - Juniper Plums Now Ripe!
(next to ball court)

Juniper TRA Minutes Meeting15 • May 25th 2017 • flat 30A

Present: Coralie Allison. Tim Burrow (treasurer). Sam Tashi. Kirsten Dunham. Aftab Hussein. Kirsten Dunham. Rob Kenyon (secretary). Cherrie Stephens. Claire Phillips. Jackie Wilford (chair).

1) Apologies
Nick Cattermole

2. Approval of Minutes.
The meeting approved the minutes of the last meeting as a true record.

3. Matters Arising
(item 3. "the possibility of coop contribution towards expenses for leaseholder camapign."
Fee for initial legal consultation was reported to be £960&VAT. Scheduled for May 31st.
Secretary. No constitutional reason could be found to prevent the Co-op from making a donation to the legal fund.
The same applies to the TRA in theory, but this would be more sensitive since LBS money would be used in a legal case against it.
A motion would be required at a general meeting to authorise any donation, and the amount specified, given in advance of the meeting.
proposal:
To include on the agenda of the June TRA meeting a full discussion of the possibility and practicalities of contributing towards the legal fees of Resident Leasholders seeking reduction of Service Charges related to the Major Works.
Passed unanimously

4. Major Works
a) Dust. Several residents have reported severe levels of dust from structural work, including some with asthma and other respiratory problems.
ACTION. Report to Site office and recommend collection of debris in bags at site of work.
b) Parking. Several resident cars have already been severely damaged while parking on Pomeroy Street. And insurance premiums have increased.
Requires and incident log for presentation to LBS. Appeal for incidents to be included in newsletter.
LBS has promised to investigate the possibility of space off Clifton Way.
But this is unlikely to be enough. No confirmation yet.
It was agreed that the state of Pomeroy Street was now becoming critical, with increased congestion posing a severe health threat for an indefinite period.
c) It was reported that site vehicles had parked in front of pramsheds, preventing access.
d) Low light levels are effecting residents. Request to be made to consultation meeting for daylight bulbs to be provided to each flat.
e) Mice reported in previously unaffected flats. Presumably the result of disturbance.
ACTION: Report all concerns to consultation meeting.
Request specifically that pollution monitors be installed on Pomeroy Street. And that approaches be made to the owners of the vacant lots opposite Juniper for the purpose of secure resident parking. The situation at the moment is impossible.

5. Secretary's Report.
a) Enquiries regarding storage space still being ignored.
b) No response from Fire Officer regarding Transport for London contact.
c) TRA Office (Flat 30A) to be refurbished as part of contract.

Garden
Event on July 9th still needs organisers and ideas.
Woodland project dong well, with a range of wildlife replacing the weeds. 3 sorts of fungi seen so far.
No vandalism at all noticed in over a year.
Permission given by meeting to gardening group to move the obsolete granite sets near flat 1 to the grass near the ballpark, and arranged to encourage use.

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The meeting ended without arranging a future date.
To be announced after consultation.

Getting Noticed

Please report any Health & Safety or Major Works issues in writing to flat 32 • sec.junipertra@gmail.com.

Concerns will be put to LBS & A&E Elkins at consultation meetings, and actions further discussed at Juniper TRA meetings.

Also make formal report to London Borough of Southwark Repairs. 0800 952 4444

Email: repairs@southwark.gov.uk • www.southwark.gov.uk/housing/repairs

Estate Walkabout. Your chance to show LBS Area Management your concerns.

27 June. 10.30 Montague Square. Probably arriving Juniper about 11am.

Being ignored is no longer an option.

To LBS Parking Services. LBS Contracts. A&E Elkins Ltd.
Re Parking Provision Juniper House.
PETITION

Since the commencement of the major works contract in March 2017, Juniper Residents have been subject to massive unforeseen inconvenience and significant material loss in consequence of the loss of on-site parking facilities.

As mentioned during initial consultations, Pomeroy Street in its present form is incapable of meeting the extra demand. This was obviously not factored in to the original plans.

Juniper vehicles on the street have only served to exacerbate the already extreme congestion, delay emergency vehicles, and increase pollution. Several vehicles have suffered a range of damage, including write-offs, and many residents have now to endure the burden of higher insurance premiums.

We, the Undersigned, therefore request that all responsible authorities involved in the Juniper House Contract work together to provide adequate parking for Juniper vehicles.

We, the undersigned, therefore propose that:

1. A dialogue be initiated as a matter of extreme urgency with the owners of the vacant sites opposite Juniper with a view to providing secure parking for Juniper Residents for the duration of the works.

2. That pollution monitors be installed as soon as possible on Pomeroy Street outside Juniper House.

3. Information be circulated regarding Compensation Claims for damages

Please sign and return to 32 Juniper House.

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7.30pm Thursday, June 29th

30A Juniper House

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AGENDA ITEMS

Parking Crisis

Pomeroy Street Congestion

Service Charge Appeal Subsidy

Building Contract Quality issues

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Garden Day

July 9th

Stalls • Food • Gardening • Swapshop

Organisers needed

Juniper TRA Minutes Meeting14 • April 4th 2017 • flat 30A

Present: Carla Blair. Charge Construction Manager, Exchequer Finance and Governance, Southwark Council. Coralie Allison. Tim Burrow (treasurer). Nick Cattermole. Kirsten Dunham. Rob Kenyon (secretary). Cherrie Stephens. Claire Phillips. Sarah Watts. Jackie Wilford (chair).

1) Apologies
Ray and Wendy Watts.

2. Approval of Minutes.
After due consideration, the meeting approved the minutes of the last meeting as a true record.

3. Major Works Issues
a) Repayment of service charges (Carla Blair presentation) LBS payment options [SEE BACK PAGE]
b) Meeting Responses
• The meeting was informed that charges generally fall slightly once work is billed.
• The meeting insisted the lack of cyclical maintenance was inevitably reflected in the level of works. LBS is committed to its policy of maintenance by repairs and crisis management, as the meeting largely saw it..
• If contractor raises a new issue that is outside the scope of the survey and section 20, the council cannot charge. If work is under Section 20, then we will be charged and LBS will be notified at the time the issue is raised by the contractor. If the contractor only informs the council at final billing then there is no legal reason for leaseholders to refuse payment.
• CB stated that LBS would never 'leave Leaseholders in a position where they could not pay the charge'.
Thanks to Carla.

c) Contract Issues to Date
• Worries about quality of Kitchen work already undertaken. Report failures to: Michael Springer (AE Elkins) **michael.springer@aeelkins.co.uk** or Chris Ayton (LBS) **chris.ayton@lbs.gov.uk.**
• Residents were suggested for inclusion on the council steering group. Tim has written to ask to be a member.
• It was noticed that the works itemised on the estimate bill are not as full as originally specified, reducing the amount of cosmetic work.
• Nick asked about the possibility of coop contribution towards expenses for leaseholder camapign.
Rob reported that Juniper Cooperative might be able to contribute under certain conditions. And that a contribution might be Constitutionally possible from TRA funds if approved by a General Meeting. Would check whether TRA is allowed to do so.

4. Matter Arising.
• Residents should check whether their car insurance is effected by parking in the street.

5. Secretary Report
• Secretary still needs to contact fire officer to contact Transport for London re Pomeroy Street traffic flow. Report to next meeting.
• In response to enquiries from residents, Mustapha was contacted about the possibility of providing access to one of the spare bin chambers for the purpose of storing items displaced from balconies. The reply was that if residents want more storage, they must rent a garage or pramshed.
The intention is now to pursue the right of the TRA to use one of these chambers as storage for the garden group. Secretary to mail Louis Rotos (Community & Homeowner Officer) and other appropriate contacts.

6. Finance report
Southwark Group of Tenants Organisations have been contacted, and the tax return for last year now in process.

7. Conservation group
Mails circulated from Southwark Defend Council Housing, and posters placed in staircase cabinets.

8. Garden group
• Issue/idea of planters on balconies to be discussed in more detail later.
Possibility of using the scaffolding to install new planters if ready in time.
• Woodland Area now showing benefits of last year's work. Several species are now established and in flower or coming into flower soon.
• The 'Mini Beast City' is almost complete. Now needs decoration by the kids. When filled, it will provide habitat for many species, and let us see them at work.
• The Ground Elder under control in woodland area, but will probably need chemicals to prevent it dominating the rest of the grounds.
• The Plant Pot Refuge is in place near the Woodland for residents to move items from their balconies during the works. Residents are responsible for watering.

9. Juniper Co-op Matters
There was a PAYE problem left over from TMO years which would have amounted to 5-6k Accountant is now in contact with HMRC and believes they will understand the circumstances. Estimates there will be a payment of about £75.
Accounts got to go in at end of the month.

10. Other Business.
Summer event . Junk yard sale. BBQ. Garden Day. July 9th. Needs to have a person or small group to arrange it. Item for next TRA agenda.

11. Date for next meeting
11.5.17

Repayment of Service Charges On Major Works

Summary of options by Carla Blair. Charge Construction Manager, Exchequer Finance and Governance. Southwark Council.

LBS can offer various payment options to help leaseholders. These include:

1. Payment of interest free monthly instalments over 36 months, and 48 months in the case of Juniper resident leaseholders.
Please note that if the standing-order payments do not commence promptly, upon receipt of the invoice, and if any payment is missed then this scheme will no longer be available and leaseholders will be required to pay in accordance with the lease
This option is not available for leaseholders who sublet their property.

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2. A discretionary service charge loan, which would help leasholders to pay by monthly instalments over a period of up to 25 years at 1.5% above the base rate of the National Westminster Bank plc, provided there is sufficient equity in the property to cover the loan.
There is an application fee which covers the council's costs in securing the loan against the property; this amount can be added to the loan.

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3. LBS may also be willing to offer a **discretionary voluntary charge loan** which will allow the debt to be re-paid at a time the property is sold or transferred. The interest rate is 2% above the National Westminster Bank base rate, there is an administration fee which can be added to the loan. This option is only available provided there is sufficient equity in your property.

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Further details on these and other payment options will be included with the invoice. Should you require any further information in this regard, including confirmation of interest rates, please telephone your **Collections Officer**: **Alexander French on 0207 525 1449**.

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07/03/2017. Flat 30A

present: Lloyd Trott (46). Claire Phillips (60). Rob Kenyon (32). Jackie Wilford (14)
David Rowson (LBS Fire Safety Manager). Mustapha Semanda (Resident Services Officer)

1) Apologies Tim Burrow (13) Kirsten Dunham. (60).

2) Previous Minutes.
Minutes approved as true record.

3) Matters Arising.
Noise. In one case being pursued, the resident reported that there had been some improvement recently, but felt the situation was not yet under control. Will continue to monitor and report back.

Action so far seems to have had a generally positive effect, or at least coincided with an improvement.

Mustapha reported that he has visited flats concerned, and informed residents of their duties and responsibilities and the consequences of being in breach of tenancy or leaseholder agreements.
He is still awaiting the full report from the Noise Team. His impression from the number of complaints received is that Juniper House is a relatively peaceful block.

Balcony Planters (David Rowson)
Invited to offer advice on front balcony safety.
Access to all flats was non-negotiable. New higher LBS standards mean that all walkways must be clear of obstruction.
• All external window grills which did not conform to new standards also have to be removed.

However, David could see no access problems with planters mounted to the outside of the block. The only problem might be health and safety concerns over falling objects etc. A full risk assessment would be required for any design.

• David emphasised that as LBS property, legal liability for accidents or injury involving obstructions on walkways lays with the council.
Matter of external balcony boxes to be clarified with Mustapha in due course. Action. Discussion at next meeting.

• Pomeroy Street Congestion & Emergency Access

Addressing concerns over the future of Pomeroy Street given the scale of residential development, David reported that Transport For London congestion regulations would apply, and to approach TFL for further updates.
Action. Secretary to email David for TFL contact.

4) Major Works

• Disability Parking Space to be retained.

• Service Charges

• Repayment schedule challenged. Payment options should only be presented when the final costs are known. The present figures are provisional. Leaseholders need to know the full extent of their commitments.

• LBS to clarify whether an insurance claim was filed for the theft of lead from the roof.

Action. Home Ownership Officer to be invited to next meeting.

Conservation Group
Southwark Defend Council Housing demonstration. March 25.

Garden Group Report
A site has been identified to temporarily house plants displaced from rear balconies due to scaffolding and works.
Further information in newsletter.*

Any Other Business
Recycle Day. Possible date - July 9th (to be confirmed).

Next Meeting
April 4th. 7.30pm.

* See NL 36. or posters in staircase noticeboards.

Current Provisional Major Works Schedule

Relevant information from image of noticeboard by flat 1.

3	Strike rear towers	1 wk	Mon 13/03/17
4	Project Duration	54 wks	Mon 20/03/17
5	Project start date	0 days	Mon 20/03/17
6	Site set up	5 days	Mon 20/03/17
7	Front Scaffolding & hoists	10 wks	Mon 27/03/17
8	Mark up concrete repairs	7 wks	Mon 05/06/17
9	Approve concrete mark ups	1 wk	Mon 24/07/17
10	Cut out concrete repairs	10 wks	Mon 31/07/17
11	Approve repair dimensions	1 wk	Mon 09/10/17
12	Repair concrete repairs	12 wks	Mon 16/10/17
13	Sign off repairs	1 wk	Mon 22/01/18
14	Paint metal works	4 wks	Mon 22/01/18
15	Strike front scaffolding	5 wks	Mon 29/01/18
16	Balustrade panels	6 wks	Mon 16/10/17
17	Riser panels	6 wks	Mon 27/11/17
18	Staircase painting	6 wks	Mon 22/01/18
19	Kitchen & bathroom surveys	4 wks	Mon 27/03/17
20	kitchen & bathroom approval	1 wk	Mon 24/04/17
21	Kitchen designs	4 wks	Mon 01/05/17
22	lead in period	2 wks	Mon 29/05/17
23	Kitchen & bathroom installation	9 wks	Mon 12/06/17
25	Erect Rear Scaffolding & hoists	10 wks	Mon 03/04/17
26	Fit Balcony brick ties	9 wks	Mon 12/06/17
27	Measure windows	3 wks	Fri 18/08/17
28	Manufacture windows	3 wks	Fri 08/09/17
29	Brick cleaning	2 wks	Fri 18/08/17
30	Rear balcony mark up	5 wks	Fri 18/08/17
31	Rear balcony approval	1 wk	Fri 22/09/17
32	Rear balcony repairs	8 wks	Fri 29/09/17
33	Rear balcony sign off	1 wk	Fri 24/11/17
34	Window installation	10 wks	Fri 01/12/17
35	Paint rear metal works	3 wks	Fri 09/02/18
36	Chem cleaning Ex windows	2 wks	Fri 23/02/18
37	Loft fire breaks	4 wks	Fri 18/08/17
38	loft insulation	3 wks	Fri 15/09/17
39	Asphalt Gutters	4 wks	Fri 06/10/17
40	Balcony replace / alterations	3 wks	Fri 03/11/17
41	Balcony asphalt	4 wks	Fri 24/11/17
42	Walkway liquid coatings	5 wks	Fri 05/01/18
43	Strike rear scaffold	4 wks	Fri 09/03/18
44	Flat 1 conversion	5 wks	Fri 02/03/18
45	Disembark site	1 wk	Fri 06/04/18
46	Completion date	0 days	Fri 13/04/18

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Juniper TRA Meeting

7.30pm Tuesday, April 4th

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Invited Guest
Carla Blair, LBS Charge Construction Manager
(Major Works Service Charge issues)

Works To End Friday 13th
(if we're lucky)

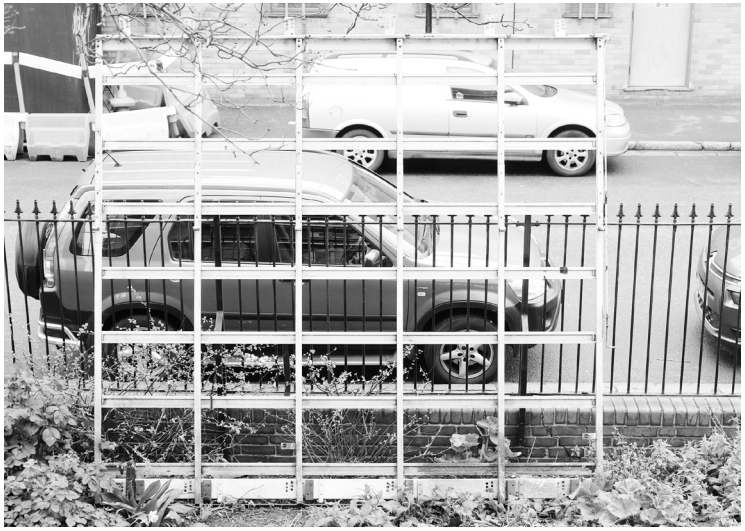
The long-awaited current, estimated, *provisional* schedule of works has been posted for general inspection in the noticeboard outside Flat 1. (see photo - back page).

Warning. This information is **not** official notification of starting dates, and not legally binding. Times and durations will almost certainly vary. Please do not base any advance planning on this information, which is shared for general convenience.

Neither contractors AE Elkins - nor especially Juniper TRA - are responsible for any inconvenience resulting from misinterpretation of these rough estimates.

For latest updates, check the board outside site office, flat 1.

What the??



This monstrosity was dumped in the front garden last weekend, and has damaged a resident's car.

If you have any idea how it got there, please contact:

mustapha.semanda@southwark.gov.uk

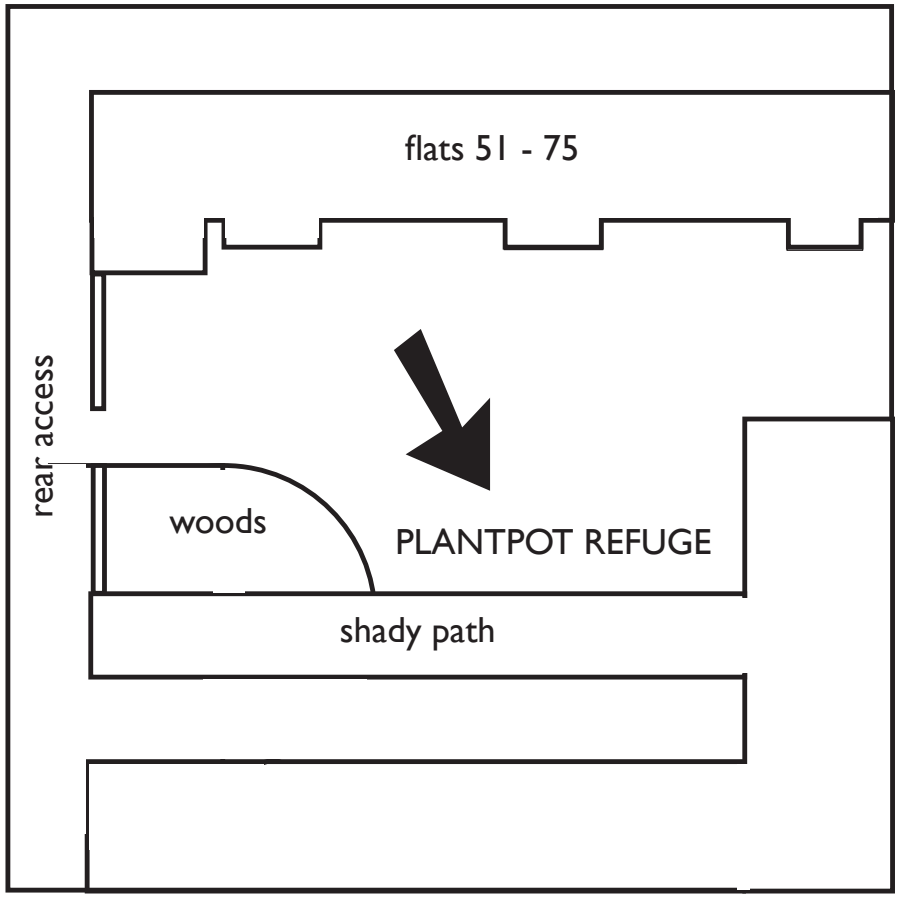
Plantpot Refuge

Contractors Elkins have agreed to secure a space for containers in the garden, opposite flats 51-75.

For heavy loads, the Juniper hand-truck is available from flat 32.

The hope is that storing containers on that border might help suppress the invasive Ground Elder, which is infesting the entire garden, and smothering what little natural ecology there is.

So any old carpet or other tough membrane to use as underlay would be a welcome contribution.



carer allowance

Juniper pays a meeting attendance allowance of

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major works contacts

LBS: chris.ayton@southwark.gov.uk

A.E. Elkins: michael.springer@aeelkins.co.uk

lbs contacts

Resident Services Officer, Mustapha Semanda: 0790 493 5427/0207 525 7402

Pests. Report all vermin to pestcontroladmin@southwark.gov.uk.

Complaints: complaints@southwark.gov.uk

Home Ownership Unit: 020 7525 1400 email: hsg.homeownership@southwark.gov.uk

If the **repair** you wish to report is causing a health and safety issue (e.g. a burst water pipe causing a flooding) call:

LBS Contact Centre on **0800 952 4444** or **0207 525 2600** to have a job raised.

other contacts

Gas leaks: 0800 111 999

Electricity (UK Power Networks): 0800 028 0247

Thames Water: 0800 714 614

all letters/opinions/complaints/stories to: sec.junipertra@gmail.com. Or flat 32.

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major works latest

The following issues were discussed at a meeting with Elikins site manager **Michael Springer** on March 17,

• **Insurance Compensation**. Many resident vehicles are only covered for Off-Road Parking, but are now forced to risk using the street. Will LBS compensate for the upgraded insurance premium?
Contact chris.ayton@lbs.gov.uk. Or danielle.edie@southwark.gov.uk

• **Motor Bike Parking** space to be arranged near current site.

• **Satellite Disks** - Michael gave assurances that **trained staff** would retune disks after res-iting on scaffold.

• **Limits of Structural Work** and possible implications. Repairs are only being undertaken to external concrete structure and brickwork. Internal cracks in ceilings and walls should be reported to LBS Repairs.
Clarification is needed as to whether this strategy can exclude moisture from internal cracks, and prevent further deterioration. Especially given the tendency for bathrooms to flood flats below.

• **Balcony Plant Refuge.** Michael agreed to arrange fencing to secure an area in the garden for plant containers temporarily evacuated from their balconies while scaffolding is erected and work completed. See inside.

• **Window Replacement Dates.** Work to take place between **01/12/2017 and 22/02/2018.**

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association 07/02/2017. Flat 30A
(Minutes Meeting 12)

Present. Lloyd Trott (46). Kirsten Dunham. (60). Rob Kenyon (32). Jackie Wilford (14). Tim Burrow (13)

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b) Tim to contact Southwark Group of Tenants Organisations regarding accountancy services.

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Invitations to neighbour groups.

10. Next Meeting

March 7. 7.30pm.

BABYSITTING ALLOWANCE

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Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

March 7th Meeting Agenda

Local Area Manager and Fire Safety Officer invited

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

• Noise

• Balcony Clearance

4) Feedback from Major Works Consultation

• Service charges

5) Secretary's Report

6) Finance Report

7) Conservation Group Report

8) Garden Report

9) Other Business

11. Juniper Cooperative Business.

GUESTS

Southwark Fire Safety officer David Rowson.

Resident Services Officer Mustapha Semanda

has said he will also try to attend

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Juniper TRA Meeting

7.30pm Tuesday, March 7th

30A Juniper House

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Major Works
Consultation Night Highlights

28th February 2017. Flat 1.

• No parking in the forecourt for a year. Disabled parking situation to be clarified.

• Individual flat surveys to start within two weeks.

• Satellite dishes to stay after contract.

• All rear balconies to be cleared for work.

• Ventilation system of downpipes to be investigated as possible cause of back-ups into bathrooms.

• Drains surveyed and cctv'd. Awaiting report.

• LBS compiling list of vulnerable residents in order to take their needs into consideration.

• Leaseholder service charge deadline challenged.

• Charges for lead replacement challenged on grounds that block was insured for theft.

• Progress group to meet monthly.

MINUTES. TRA MEETING 11

07/02/2017. Flat 30A

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NOISE

While living in Juniper House means tolerating a certain amount of natural household noise, please bear in mind that Juniper flats were designed before modern sound systems, laminated flooring and rotary washing machines; and that any repetitive loud sound can be annoying to neighbours.

However, the Juniper architects probably did assume that neighbours would know each other, which would naturally encourage considerate behaviour. In general, the better you know your neighbour, the quieter they are.

One sort of noise which people find particularly disruptive is repeated banging on floors and walls, especially now that many flats do not have carpets. Because of its construction, this kind of impact can carry for several floors, and even sound as if it is coming from below when it is in fact coming from above.

A rough rule is that if you are in your living room and you can be heard in the bedroom, you can also be heard next door, or in the flats above or below.

According to the tenancy and leaseholder agreements, every resident has the 'right to the peaceful enjoyment of their residency'. Persistent breaches of the Agreement may result in eviction.

If you are suffering from inconsiderate noise, and a friendly word has not worked, **CONTACT: Noise related Anti Social Behaviour. 0207 525 5777**

The **Noise Related Anti Social Behaviour** team runs a 24 hour service.

AFFINITY SUTTON DEVELOPMENT

Construction on the Brittania warehouse site opposite Juniper will be complete in about eight weeks, according to the site manager.

The development will have no onsite parking areas, or play facilities for children.

This will undoubtedly cause added traffic and congestion on Pomeroy Street. And will also raise the issue of whether we choose to restrict access to the forecourt.

On reflection, the entire project was only possible because its delivery vehicles were able to reverse in and out of our gates unhindered.

If the gates were still working, we might even have charged a realistic fee per entry, as compensation for the inconvenience and future disturbance.

Work starts on the vacant Peckham Glassworks site next year, with exactly the same implications for Juniper.

carer meeting allowance

All parents of children under 16 and carers of vulnerable adults are now eligible for the Juniper meeting allowance of £10 per meeting.

This is payable by cheque at the meeting.

spend

Informal suggestions for future projects received so far include:

- **New signage to the block, in character with the design and period.**
- **Enhanced lighting for balconies, colour-coded to clarify the confusing numbering system.**
- **Raised beds, and more seating and plants for the garden.**
- **General regeneration of garden.**

If you have any better ideas, please bring them to meetings.

lbs contacts

Resident Services Officer, Mustapha Semanda: 0790 493 5427/0207 525 7402
Pests. Report all vermin to pestcontroladmin@southwark.gov.uk.
Complaints: complaints@southwark.gov.uk
Home Ownership Unit: 020 7525 1400 email: hsg.homeownership@southwark.gov.uk
If the **repair** you wish to report is causing a health and safety issue (e.g. a burst water pipe causing a flooding) call:
LBS Contact Centre on **0800 952 4444** or **0207 525 2600** to have a job raised.

other contacts

For independent advice if the council fail to repair your fault search:
Shelter /'If a social landlord won't repair your home.'
Gas leaks: 0800 111 999
Electricity (UK Power Networks): 0800 028 0247
Thames Water: 0800 714 614

all letters/opinions/complaints/stories to: sec.junipertra@gmail.com
Or flat 32. (no anonymous pieces will be published)

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Major Works Consultation

28th February. Flat 1. 5-7pm

Get answers and report faults before the work starts in March.

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LBS classify the current planned works as 'Cyclical Maintenance' on the grounds that very little routine maintenance has been undertaken at Juniper for a long time. This would seem to be a misinterpretation of the term since much of the 2017 Major Works are remedial, repairing damage done by a *lack* of preventative maintenance. Which is much more expensive, for us.

Further claification is obviously needed on the future schedules of planned maintenance, if the shiny new Juniper of 2018, ***which we all paid for***, isn't to rapidly end up looking like scruffy old Juniper 2016.

Juniper Cooperative Ltd
Reconvened

Annual General Meeting

Nominations for Officers

7.30pm. Tuesday 07.02.2017. Flat 30[A] Juniper House
PLEASE RETURN TO FLAT 32

CHAIR

Name. **Flat.**

Proposed.

Name. **Flat.**

Seconded.

Name. **Flat.**

VICE CHAIR

Name. **Flat.**

Proposed.

Name. **Flat.**

Seconded.

Name. **Flat.**

TREASURER

Name. **Flat.**

Proposed.

Name. **Flat.**

Seconded.

Name. **Flat.**

SECRETARY

Name. **Flat.**

Proposed.

Name. **Flat.**

Juniper Accounts 2015-16

(full presentation at AGM)

General Surplus April 2016

£28,488

Because we have no income but several running costs, this sum will shrink significantly each year.

If we don't use our surplus soon, the only people to benefit from it will be the government and our accountants.

Please attend the meeting to ensure that our money benefits us.

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7pm. Tuesday 7th February 2017
Flat 30A Juniper House

Juniper Cooperative

Annual General Meeting

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Minutes & Annual Report
3. Sub-committee reports
4. Verified Accounts
5. Election of officers
6. Other Business

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Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

General Meeting

Agenda

1) Apologies
2) Approval of Minutes
3) Matters Arising
4) Secretary's Report
5) Finance Report
6) Major Works Issues
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8) Garden Issues
9) Other Business

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reconvened
Juniper Co-op
Annual General Meeting
7.pm Tuesday, February 7th
30A Juniper House

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Juniper TRA Meeting
7.30pm Tuesday, March 7th
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AGM Juniper Tenants & Residents Association 15.11.2016 (Minutes)

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1. Apologies. Martin Hughes

2. Annual Report

The Secretary's report of activities and events during 2015/16 was delivered and accepted by the meeting. Items and issues mentioned included:

- Concerns over future of the block in 2015. Residents pressed for clarification on Saville Report and action to preserve Juniper.
- Formation of Conservation Group to investigate and discuss in detail issues effecting the future of Juniper House and its development.
- Formation of Gardening Group to help monitor and maintain the grounds, and to encourage more use of the garden in the interest of the community.
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Action Chris Ayton to be invited to TRA meeting before contract start.

3. Sub-committee reports (Garden Group and Conservation Group)

Garden Group

Activities: 3 Gardening/barbeque Days. Weeds cleared, seeds, bulbs and trees planted.
Moderate level of participation reported involving cross section of community. Kids especially appreciative. Roses and hazels planted. More seeds planned for woodland area in Spring.
The meeting approved the activities activities of the group during 2015/6. Mustapha granted permission for moderate planting in Flat 1 area.

Conservation Group.

Activities. Information has been shared via the newsletter and a cabinet meeting was attended last year, but there has been no coordinated group activity recently.

4. Verified Accounts

Tim reported that the TRA had opened a cheque-only account with Metrobank.
There had been 3 transactions during the year including a donation from Juniper Cooperative Ltd of £200, reimbursement of agreed garden and office expenses, and payment in of the first LBS grant.

Balance £1283.70.

The meeting approved the accounts and the choice of SGTO as accountants for Juniper TRA..

5. 2015/16 Committee stood down. Louis Rotos assumed the chair and thanked the previous committee for their work.

6. Elections of officers

Chair. Jackie Wilford. Nominated Tim Burrow. Seconded Kirsten Dunham. Voted Unanimous.

Vice Chair. Lloyd Trott. Nominated Rob Kenyon. Seconded Jackie Wilford. Voted Unanimous.

Treasurer. Tim. Nominated Aftab Hussein. Seconded Kirsten Dunham. Voted Unanimous.

Secretary. Rob Kenyon. Nominated Tim Burrow. Seconded Colleen Williams. Voted Unanimous.
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7. Elections of Delegates to Area Housing Forums and other bodies.
No nominations. Louis suggested further investigation and agreed to forward more detailed information about groups and funding sources. The TRA can elect delegates at future meetings.

Louis handed the chair back to Jackie.

8. Proposals

'This meeting agrees to pay a baby-sitting allowance of £10/meetings for parents of young children.'
Proposed Secretary. Seconded Chair. Voted: Unanimous.

Age limit for children to be as previous Baby-sitting allowance pre 2013.

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Chris Ayton to clarify and update. Justin Hall be invited to TRA meeting.

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10. Next AGM. To be arranged,

7.30pm. Tuesday 24th January 2017
Flat 30A Juniper House

Juniper Cooperative

Annual General Meeting

Agenda

1. Apologies

2. Annual Report

3. Sub-committee reports

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5. Election of officers

6. Other Business

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Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

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TRA Meeting
7.30pm Tuesday, January 24th
30A Juniper House

MAJOR WORKS TO START MARCH 2017

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More details at meeting

Juniper Co-op
Annual General Meeting
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Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

Annual General Meeting

Agenda

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2. Annual Report

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5. Committee Stands Down.

6. Elections of officers (Chair, treasurer, secretary, vice-chair) **and** other committee members.

(**Please note. All** previously elected members of the committee have to be re-elected at AGM. Not merely the officers.)

7. Elections of delegates and deputies to Area Housing Forums and other bodies

8. Proposals

9. JUNIPER GENERAL MEETING (11)

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10 households need to be represented for the meeting to be valid.

If we fail to elect a committee, will will not get any funding.

We may not be able to continue as a TRA at all.

Please come, and bring a neighbour

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

Annual General Meeting

Nominations for Officers

7.30pm. Tuesday 01.11.2016. Flat 30A Juniper House
PLEASE RETURN TO FLAT 32

CHAIR

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Proposed.

Name. **Flat.**

Seconded.

Name. **Flat.**

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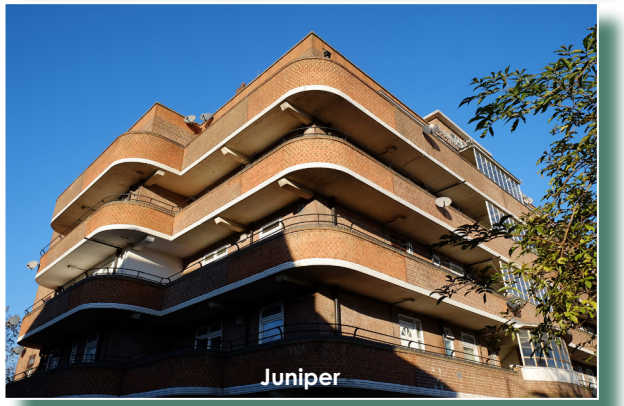
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'Deloraine House'. Tanner's Hill. SE8 (LB Lewisham)


Juniper

This block on Tanner's Hill in Deptford was built about the same time as Juniper, to a very similar design, and appears to have been successfully maintained.

This would suggest that there are no serious structural problems at Juniper which cannot be overcome.

Having been a very 'Hard to Let' estate in the 1980's, like Junjiper, Deloraine House was renovated some years ago.

Lewisham Council was helped in this by being part of the Docklands Development Area, which Southwark never was.

But that is no reason why the Juniper Major Works next year shouldn't be as satisfactory.

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See minutes of AGM inside

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HOW THE WORKS EFFECT YOU

Please feel free to share photos and reports of the work on your flat, or anywhere. The more we help to supervise the project, the less cause we will have to complain, hopefully.

Please forward all submissions to sec.junipertra@gmail.com or flat 32.

Minutes

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association Annual General Meeting

7.30pm • Flat 30A • Juniper House • 15.11.2016

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Major Works News

LBS & Alkins still cannot give a definite start date. January now seems likely.

Recent Emails

General Scope of Works

- Significant concrete and brickwork repairs
- External and communal decorations with associated repairs
- Roof renewal
- Renewal of timber windows and WC crittal windows and side lights.
- Overhaul of uPVC windows and overhaul and decoration of crittal windows in communal areas.
- Renewal of some front entrance doors (subject to condition and FRA requirements)
- Installation of LD2 smoke alarm systems to all tenanted properties and offer of free installation to all leasehold properties.
- Some kitchen and bathroom renewals subject to HHSRS and age criteria (Over 30 years for bathrooms and over 20 years for kitchens)
- Refurbishment of No 1 Juniper House to lettable standard for a tenanted property (the property will however be used as a site office by Elkins during the course of the refurbishment works)
- Asbestos removal as required to deliver the above works

Louis Rotsos – Tenant & Homeowner Involvement Officer

11/11/2016

Satellite Dishes

'I am advised that Housing Management have not yet completed the policy revision therefore LBS will not be implementing any changes on the 16/17 programme in regards to satellite dishes. Therefore we will do as usual, which is allow dishes to move on to the scaffolding and refix back when complete.

It is now expected that the revised policy will be implemented for the 17/18 programme. Going forward we will discuss this policy and any future communications media proposals at our upcoming meetings.'

Chris Ayton. Contract Manager. 17/10/2016

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3rd notice of Annual General Meeting

7.30pm Tuesday, November 15

guest Louis Rotos

LBS Tenant & Homeowner Involvement Officer

30A Juniper House

The last attempt at an Annual General Meeting was one person short of the number needed to be valid.
If you didn't come then, please come this time. And if you did, come again and bring a neighbour.
It's only an hour or so of your time.

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This might be the last chance to air opinions on the major works before they start, and to make a difference in how they effect you.

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If the TRA ceases to function, we will eventually lose the chance of spending the money available to us.

AGM/ GM Juniper Tenants & Residents Association 13.9.16

Present.
Brendan Gillan, John Phelan (LBS).
Lloyd Trott (46). Kirsten Dunham. (60). Claire Phillips (60). Rob Kenyon (32). Jackie Wilford (14). Tim Burrow (13) Coralie Allison (16).
8.15 AGM declared inquorate and rescheduled.

MINUTES JUNIPER TRA MEETING (10)
13.9.16

Minutes of previous TRA Meeting:

Minutes approved

Finance Report

• Bank account mistakenly register by bank as a business account. Tim to clarify.
Rob reported that £200 has been transferred to JTRA reported from Juniper House Coop, and should be visible soon.
• Suggestion that we ask for paper statements for accountability.
• As funds are in, Tim to write cheque for expenses from garden days. Invoices presented.

Trees Online: 2 x Hazel Hedging **£42**
Downsview Farm. Shade wild flower seeds mixture. Total (inc.VAT) **£14.50**
Staples. 'Simply' A4 75 gsm Copy Paper White 2500 sheets. Total inv VAT. **£11.70**
Toner Giant. Compatible HP 80A Black Toner **£47.83**

Proposal. To recompense secretary for advance gardening and secretarial expenses.
Proposed Tim Burrow. **Seconded.** Kirsten Dunham. **Vote.** Unanimously in favour.
• The meeting was advised that the amount was too large for a petty cash payment. Must be clear that the payment is reimbursement of expenses, not payment for work.

Secretary's Report

• **Water rates.** Cheques have finally been received for water rate reimbursement.
• **Backyard noise.**
BBQ and crowd-party set up in the garden by non-residents. Rob and Jaki went to explain, without success. 101 and Southwark noise called. Gathering disbersed a few hours later. Incident reported to LBS area management.
Rob subsequently informed that an order has been raised to replace the gate.

Proposal. To Demolish the old BBQ and picnic table, and resite at a more central position away from flats.
Proposed Jaki. **Seconded** Claire. **Vote:** unanimously in favour

• **Jaki**- Initial reports from Pomeroy Estate residents are that Elkins were generally caring contractors who did good work.

Garden Group

• **Claire**- Update on LBS attitude to plants on front balconies. Planters in railings can stay for the present, but may need to be removed. Tubs outside properties at the ends of balconies do not block public access and are therefore OK, according to the latest news.
• **Seeds planted**- some came up, but problem was not enough watering because of no access to standpipe. Other TRAs have this but LBS is not co-operating yet. Our case is that all residents pay collectively for the common standpipe, but are refused access to it.
• **The 10 Hazel Trees** planted in the Summer are doing well.
• **Planting now.** It is not too late to look for species which can be planted before winter. Bulbs are easy and widely available. If you see something tell the TRA to organise purchase.
Claire- has flowering seeds from her plants.
• Next **Gardening Day? Sunday 30th October.**

Other Business

• **Claire** - when reporting noise issues with neighbours mustapha told Claire to call LBS. Southwark said that unless it was noise pollution (music etc) it was classed as societal noise and Mustapha should deal with it and residents should not to be fobbed off.
LBS Response and attitude reported as extremely negative.

• **Ball court and posters**
Tim- Posters ready for display. Is there a padlock for the court?
Rob- priced at (£20-£30 each)

Proposal. To approve buying 2 padlocks for the quoted price.
Proposed Jaki. **Seconded** Kirsten. **Vote:** unanimously in favour

Next meeting and reconvened AGM
Tues 1 November.

Juniper Tenants & Residents Association

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7.30pm Tuesday, November 1

30A Juniper House

HALLOWEEN CASH NEWS!

1st year's grant paid

News has just come in that London Borough of Southwark has paid in our first year's treat of over **£1000.**

It is now up to us to decide what to spend it on. Tomorrow's meeting would be a good place to start the process. But it is essential that all posts are filled at the meeting.

If we can't get it together to hold succesful elections - once a year - there won't be any more money.

juniper co-op legacy plans

We might also want to start planning projects for the **£20,000+** now available in the Juniper Co-op fund - before administration costs eat it away. Only two years ago, there was over £30,000 available. Before long there will be enough for a few rubbish bins or trips to the seaside, but not much else.

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Please note. To be able to proceed, the Annual General Meeting has to represent at least 10 different addresses. Two residents from the same household will be counted as one in establishing a quorum, though they can vote independently in the meeting.

As well as the officers (chair, trearurer etc) we should also elect (and re-elect) committee members.

Having made it through our first year, with hardly any money or official status, it would be crazy to quit now that we are on our feet.

The TRA means having everything to gain and nothing to lose. Losing the TRA, and the access it provides to the Juniper Co-op assetts, would be like winning the lottery and giving it all back.

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Nominations for Officers

7.30pm. Tuesday 01.11.2016. Flat 30A Juniper House
PLEASE RETURN TO FLAT 32

CHAIR

Name. **Flat.**

Proposed.

Name. **Flat.**

Seconded.

Name. **Flat.**

VICE CHAIR

Name. **Flat.**

Proposed.

Name. **Flat.**

Seconded.

Name. **Flat.**

TREASURER

Name. **Flat.**

Proposed.

Name. **Flat.**

Seconded.

Name. **Flat.**

SECRETARY

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Proposed.

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JUNIPER GARDEN DAY

(& BARBECUE)

All Residents Invited

seeds, planting, food, building,

1pm - 9pm
Sunday October 30th

storytelling, dens, weeding, food, chat..

Meet in the garden

Please bring gloves and any donations

(Dress Casual)

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RECONVENED

JUNIPER HOUSE TRA

Annual General Meeting

7.30pm Tuesday, November 1

30a Juniper House

SATELLITE DISH UPDATE

According to officers of the TMO, complaints were made some years ago to LBS about satellite dishes, but nothing was done.

The case has been put to LBS that its inaction after reports and routine inspections might give some residents the impresion that permission was not required. And that this requires that LBS should help provide a viable alternative to satellite dishes.

One option might be to upgrade the copper cabling in the Juniper House, allowing improved access to the same services as satellites, plus better broadband speeds.

GARDEN DAY & BARBEQUE

SEE BACK PAGE

pests

LBS can help with:
Bed bugs, insects, rodents, wasps etc
If you have a live rat inside your property, call 020 7572 2000 immediately
Pest problems can be reported online: **http://beta.southwark.gov.uk/pest-control/**
or by calling **0800 952 4444**. email: **pestcontroladmin@southwark.gov.uk.**

Several residents are reporting infestations of mice, and how difficult they are to eradicate.
The general rule seems to be to hit them fast, with as many traps of different kinds as possible. Six or ten at least. Humane traps and deterrents are reported to work - even Peppermint leaves scattered on the floor.

prevention

Mice can enter through the tinest gaps in walls, floors, drains, or gas lines.
All openings should be sealed tight with metal wool or cement. Food should be stored in mouse-proof containers, and all food waste should be disposed of as soon as possible.
Rear balconies can also provide a base-camp for mice to then explore the possibilities of your flat, especially if you have plant-pots, which mice love to burrow into.

no reports - no action

LBS used to conduct regular pest control of Juniper House, especially to monitor and treat Cockroach infestations, which presumably still exist unreported in some flats. Cockroaches are even more tenacious than mice. Both cause many diseases.
It is therefore vital that regular surveys and treatments happen, but they won't unless **enough** residents report problems directly to LBS.
Other pests reported at Juniper include rats, mosquitoes and clothes-moths.

reporting a pest problem

For council tenants, for common pests, the LBS service is free of charge. For all other residents fees start at **£27.59** call out charge or **£15.83** if you are on low income.
Other contractors are available.

not reporting a problem

Means that it will spread to neighbouring flats and become far more difficult to treat. The cost of treatment is far less than the resulting devaluation of the property.

Please share any experiences of pests and how to get rid of them.
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water rates saga

The recent payments were very welcome to Southwark tenants. And Camberwell resident **Kim Jones**, who took on LBS, obviously deserves some sort of award.
While there were good reasons in principle to guarantee a constant connection to every LBS property, there were always concerns about this arrangement, before any allegations of hidden surcharges.
Firstly, it made it possible to be evicted for not paying water rates - or at least created that fear.
And secondly, it made any genuine consumer pressure on Thames Water almost impossible, resulting in an indifferent maintenance record.
This ruling will come too late for anyone already evicted due to the LBS/TW deal. And it will be interesting to see whether there are further compensation claims, or whether Thames Water are fully vindicated by this case, when they must have been aware of the nature of their transactions with LBS.

Any experiences you would like to share please email:
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HALLOWEEN BARBQ & garden day October 30th

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Early afternoon - 9pm

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for anti-social behaviour and noise by neighbours call 020 7525 5777 (24 hours)

lbs contacts

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Report mice, cockroaches,rats, mosquitoes etc to pestcontroladmin@southwark.gov.uk.

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RECONVENED JUNIPER HOUSE TRA Annual General Meeting

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(important)

MAJOR WORKS & SATELLITE DISHES

LBS have issued a directive to remove all satellite dishes from Juniper House

This is apparently borough-wide policy. The argument is that under the Tenancy and Leaseholder Agreements, permission is required for dishes. And as such permission would have been denied, the council feels that it is within its rights to remove all unauthorised dishes. According to LBS site management, it would not be a good idea to sign any new satellite contracts until the matter is completely clarified.

More information at the meeting on November 1st (above).

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More encouraging news is that there will be a contractor to try to sort out the Juniper telecomms cabling chaos, and hopefully prevent any internet outages during the works (which should start before Xmas). Virgin has been contacted.

We may even get back our links to the Juniper roof aerials, which point directly at Crystal Palace and work fine. If you are lucky enough to still have this socket in your flat, it is still useful, and a good idea to keep.

If we wanted, we could have both a single shared dish for all residents, and reconnection to the existing roof aerials for all flats.

Happy Birthday to Roald Dahl

'Celebrating the centenary of **Roald Dahl's** birth with a party at

Besson Street Community Garden
1pm – 6pm. Saturday 10th September.

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Stories, jokes, games, competitions, prizes and films.
Cake and **Wonka bars and a Golden Ticket!!**
Gunge-making class, revolting rhymes, dark tales & **gloop**.
Make your own Hideous Hats and BFG Ears and lots more.
Join us, rain or shine.

PLUS

Saturday Second Hand Market...Great bargains to be had – clothes, toys, baby things, small items of furniture, records, CDs & DVDs, homemade crafts, bric-a-brac and books.

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Refugee Relief

Your deliver your donations to the Calais camps to **flat 33.**
or text Faye. 0753 893 4462 for collection.

Especially needed:

Tinned or dried vegetarian food.
Boys or mens' clean winter wear.
Cash.

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'Stand Up To Racism National Conference'
10.30am - 4.30pm. Saturday October 8
Friends Meeting House, Euston Road. NW1 2BJ

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PROPOSAL:
To demolish existing BBQ, relocate benches and tables on central concrete space near play area, and acquire portable BBQ capable of being secured.
Juniper House Co-op to be approached for funding.
Proposed R. Kenyon. Seconded J. Wilford

9. JUNIPER GENERAL MEETING 10

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8pm Tuesday September 13

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rear gate repaired 6/9/2016



GATECRASHERS

Many residents will have been aware of the disturbance from the crowd that gathered behind the ballcourt the weekend before last.
This is not the first time there has been a problem in the area, and the issue was reported to the police and LBS Anti-Social Behaviour team. Both agencies urged residents to report any further incidents.
LBS has agreed to examine security in the area (see below).
The TRA has decided to lock the court after 9pm. See Minutes.

EMAIL EXCHANGE WITH LBS RESIDENT SERVICES OFFICE. 16/8/2016

Dear Mustapha
On Saturday night (14th August) several people assembled at the space near the ball-court and cycle lockers with a sound-system in a car, and proceeded to light a barbecue against the gable end of the neighbouring house in Astbury Road. At least 20 people assembled. None of them residents, to my knowledge. Polite requests to move on were rejected out of hand with the claim that 'this a is public space'.
I called 101 and reported the incident to Peckham station, who promised to attend within the hour. 2 hours later they had not, and so I rang LBS Noise team, who advised I alert you to the situation.
The 'event' ended fairly suddenly. I assume that the police made an appearance. This is the latest of several similar incidents this year, one of which resulted in multiple calls to the police, and reports of a knife being drawn and cars pelted with missiles.

To sum up.
1. The space to the rear of Juniper is too accessible by car, resulting in spontaneous gatherings, the use of motorcycles in the garden area, and on at least one occasion, couples parking to have sex.

2. The ballcourt has become the subject of a territorial dispute between local groups of youths.
In the light of these developments, Juniper TRA has taken the the decision to regulate the hours of the ballcourt, as I explained in my previous mail.
Rob Kenyon. Secretary.

Hi Rob,
Unfortunately, during summer time, we get a lot of issues like these. However, you did the right thing to call the Police and the Noise Team. I will ask Dave Lea (Communal Repairs Officer) to look into replacing or gating off the rear of Juniper House.

As for the opening hours of the ball court, please publicise the opening and closing hours on the noticeboards so that our residents are aware. You might need to discuss this with your fellow TRA members to agree on the hours and who will be responsible for opening and closing the court.

Thank you
Mustapha Semanda. Resident Services Officer (South Team)

HIGHLIGHTS FROM MINUTES

(Full Version Available at Meetings, by request flat 32 or sec.junipertra@gmail.com)

Matters Arising
Ballcourt Disturbance (Mid July) Coralie Allison
Proposal (Jaki) - Tim, Rob, Jaki and Coralie to have keys for ballcourt, notices to be put up on ballcourt to make users aware. Seconded by CA, unanimous vote.
Rob – contact Mustafa to obtain new padlock. Tim Rob and Coralie to co-produce posters. Juniper children to be invited to paint posters at a later event. date TBA

Finance Report
a) TRA now has a bank account and a cheque book. Balance is zero. Confirmation that a previous Co-op meeting agreed to pay £200 to the TRA.
ACTION: Tim (TRA Treasurer) and Rob (Co-op Treasurer) agree to transfer £200 of funds agreed in previous meeting into TRA account.

7. Conservation Group Report
Rob – TRA in receipt of report from the council cabinet meeting on July 5.
Housing Bill reported to be bad news for tenants.
• Rents will no longer set by local income but by local property values. All councils will be under pressure to increase rents to market levels. It was felt we must continue to organise resistance to possible future sale of block.

8. Garden Issues
c) RSPB are running a campaign to enrich urban greenspaces, providing habitat-building projects (with instructions). Permission requested to sign up for the TRA. **Approved.**

d) BBQ area
Jaki – Current brick BBQ is too close to residents windows, can become a source of nuisance.
BBQ and more benches could be located on the concrete ground next to ballcourt and playground. Agreed by all present.
ACTION: Tim to price oil-drum BBQ. Proposal to be brought to next meeting to demolish existing BBQ, replace benches and tables on concrete space, buy new BBQ that can be locked up under canvas when not in use.

9. AOB.
Some tenants are being persecuted for reasonable daily noise in their own flats. All noise and ASB problems should be reported to the council and/or the police.

Universal Credit is being rolled out from September 2016. Families concerned have been warned that the new monthly payments have a 7 week rollover time and that they will need to have money saved to cover this time.
Councils have ability to make discretionary payments to wipe out arrears, but they are decreasing. In Tim's professional knowledge arrears are occurring due to UC roll-out.
Action info and links to be put in news letter. Coralie to find support contacts and report back. Jaki to contact Citizens advice with a view to possible meeting or drop-in sessions.

10. NEXT MEETING. AGM set for Tuesday 13 August 2016, 30a 8pm

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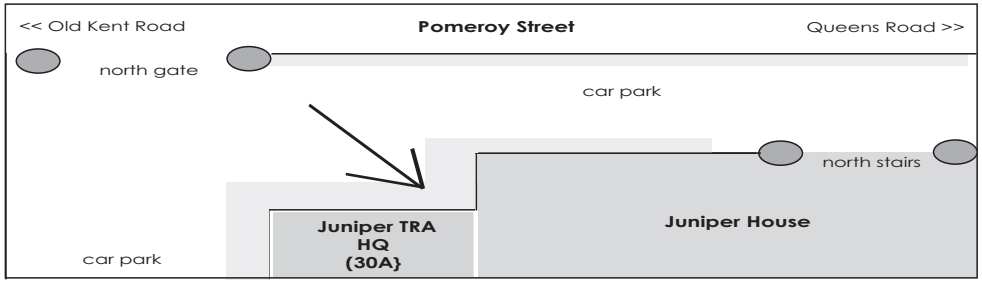
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WATER RATES LATEST
cheques issued 'by the end of the week'

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water rates refund

There has been some confusion over the period of the refund and the amounts due. Letters were sent to tenants which drastically under-estimated the refund, and some sources reported that refunds were only due from 2010-13.
As far as we can discover, refunds equal **22.1%** of water charges, with interest, for the period **from April 2001 to July 2013.**
In some cases, this could amount to hundreds of pounds.

Extract from letter to Chairs of TRAs.
Stephen Douglass (Director of Communities)

'Following the Council's cabinet meeting on Tuesday 7 June 2016, the process for issuing refunds for the period 1April 2001 to 28 July 2013 has been agreed. All current tenants who are affected will be recieving letters next week that set out what their refund will be after deduction of any arrears.

***Leaseholders** ... will only be eligible if they were a council tenant in the period 1 April 2001 to 28 July 2013.'*

29/06/2016

Clarification from Stephen Douglass regarding letters sent to tenants which seemed to only calculate a refund since the date LBS took direct control for collection of Juniper rent and water rates.

*'**Tenants** will not lose out on their refund the calculations are being done for the period prior to Juniper switching back to the counci and the cheques will be issued as soon as we can. '*

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The issue will be discussed at tomorrow's meeting, and further clarification sought.

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juniper house TRA agenda

8pm Monday August 1st. 30A juniper house

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Matters Arising
a) Ball Court isssues.
Report by Coralie for discussion.
Confrontation in July between two groups of teenagers. Residents saw a knife drawn. Police were called, and advised us to call in any further incidents to create a record. This could help us with funding bids to develop the use of the court. Residents who witnessed the situation proposed opening from 9am-9pm. A group of key-holders would be required to share the duties of opening and closing. Residents could knock for keys if required.

b) Southwark will give funds for crime and nuisance reduction projects, such as regular activities or special events in the ball court.

4) Secretary's Report
a) Water rates refund update (good news).
b) Tenant Recognition Form completion.
c) Notice of TRA Annual General Meeting.

5) Finance Report

6) Building & Maintenance
Major Works Consultation issues.
Thames Water.

7) Conservation Group Report
Housing Bill implications for Juniper. Report from Cabinet Meeting 19th July.

8) Garden Issues
Ideas submitted for discussion:
a) Developing a meadow area next to the woodland and organising with LBS to only cut when seeded.
b) Developing the hedge rows. Introducing blackberry brambles into more accessible area.
c) Clearing the garden next to flat 1 in preparation for spring.
d) Seeking help from major works contract for project/s.
e) Raised beds. More picnic tables. Reconstruction of BBQ or demolition on BBQ. Washing line space?

9) Other Business

10) Date of Next TRA Meeting

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Once you have created and logged on to your account, select **'My Housing Services'**, and link your account. To do this only fill in date of birth, rent reference number and surname fields, you will then be able to enter the housing portal, and report repairs or view past repairs.

If your query refers to a gas, electricity or water supply problem you should contact:

Gas leaks: 0800 111 999
Electricity (UK Power Networks): 0800 028 0247
Thames Water: 0800 714 614

how to report an emergency repair?

If the repair you wish to report is causing a health and safety issue (e.g. a burst water pipe causing a flooding), please call LBS Contact Centre on 0800 952 4444 or 0207 525 2600 to have a job raised.
For independent adivice if the council fail to repair your fault.
Search: Shelter /'If a social landlord won't repair your home.'

lbs contacts

Repairs team on 0800 952 4444 or 0207 525 2600 • Repairs Coordinator, Justin Hall: 0207 525 3705

Resident Services Officer, Mustapha Semanda: 0790 493 5427/0207 525 7402

Repairs Manager, Gary Glover on 020 7525 3093 • Complaints: complaints@southwark.gov.uk

Home Ownership Unit: 020 7525 1400 / email: hsg.homeownership@southwark.gov.uk

Noise related Anti Social Behaviour 020 7525 5777 (24 hours)

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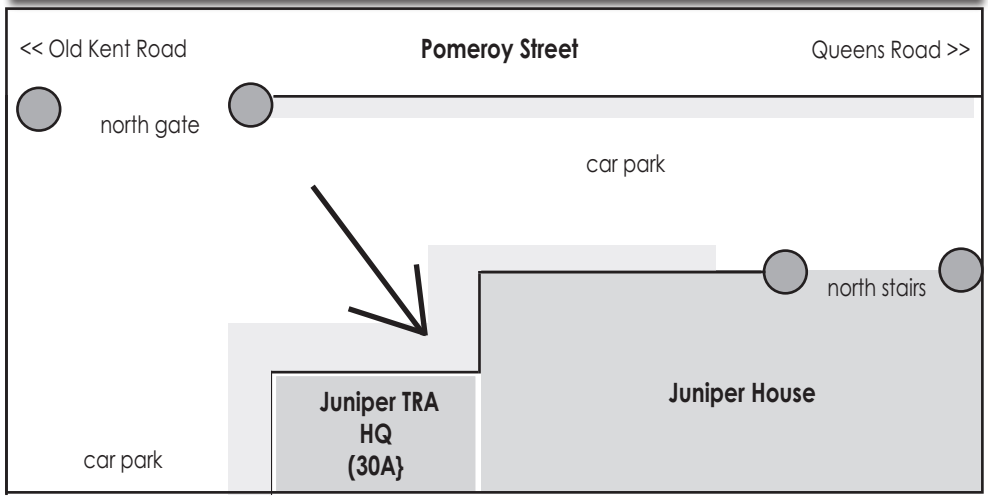
WATER RATES REFUND
22.1% of charges from 2001 - 2013
(with interest)

see page 2

JUNIPER HOUSE TRA MEETING

8pm Monday August 1st

30A Juniper House



TRA Present. Frankie Allum, Karl Bolingbroke, Tim Burrow (treasurer), Rob Kenyon (secretary) Lloyd Trott, Jackie Wilford (chair.) Claire Palmer. Chris Ayton, Anne Blackburn (LBS) **Apologies.** Coralie Allison, Kirsten Dunham, Claire Phillips.

Juniper Cooperative Special Meeting

1. Members Present. Karl Bolingbroke, Rob Kenyon (treasurer) Lloyd Trott (chair.), Jackie Wilford, Claire Palmer.

2. Proposal.

'This meeting approves the remission of £200 to Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association for initial office expenses, and initial garden Group expenses for the forthcoming planting season, including seeds, tools, plants and peripherals to the value of £100. All expediture to be itemised and presented to TRA meetings for approval.

3. Any other Business. Frankie Allum was nominated for membership of the Co-op. Proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded Jackie Wilford. Unanimous.

4. Date of next meeting. To co-incide with future spending requirements of the TRA, or the AGM, whichever the sooner.

TRA Meeting

2. Previous Minutes. Approved.

3. Building & Maintenance.

Chris Ayton and Anne Blackburn. LBS.

Existing Scaffolding.

This was erected to allow access to specific balconies for investigation of problems, and as a precaution against loose masonry. It will be removed when the works are complete.

• Chris and Anne were informed of 'Deloraine House' in Deptford, which has a similar construction to Juniper House, but which has apparently been well-restored. Action. Chris and Anne to visit.

Chris on Major Works 2016.

• Residents may contact Chris directly with any issues by email: **(chris.ayton@southwark.gov.uk).**

• LBS would prefer to conduct detailed consultations on the works with a delegated Juniper group. The Conservation Group was suggested as the appropriate sub-committee for the purpose, reporting back to the TRA.

• At present we are still in the **Feasibility** stage of the works. This will survey the block for problems and recommend action to LBS for approval and funding. If approved, work will start in the Autumn.

• **Recommended works to include:** Replacement of all wooden windows • repair of faulty balconies, concrete structure and brickwork • renovation of facade and stairwells • selective door replacement (front and back) • removal of paint on brickwork. The objective of the works is to remedy the the various design problems of Juniper House, and thereby delay any future major works as long as possible.

• **Interiors.** Flat surveys concluded that few if any flates required interior work due to the previous regeneration programme.

• **Drains.** Thames Water are responsible for the maintenance of the drains from the base of the block to the street and beyond. The drains have therfore not been included in the works. This was felt to be an inadequate response to the problems residents are experiencing. Chris and Anne advised residents and the TRA to complain directly to Thames Water, in co-operation with Local Area Management team. Actions. Chris to raise concerns with contract team. TRA Secretary to write to Thames Water.

Information from Chair: A CCTV survey of the drains is to be conducted in order to establish their ability to withstand traffic by heavy contract vehicles.

• **Lloyd.** Survey not conducted in flat.
Reported and listed for action. Also reported faulty plasterwork and ceiling. Should this be a standard LBS repair? Chris and Anne advised that such issues should be resolved by the forthcoming contract.

• **Jackie** Survey not conducted in flat.
Reported and listed for action.

• **Frankie** Previous appointment broken.
Reported and listed for action.

• **Tim** Requested information on how structural elements were tested during surveys. Anne. (Example) Examination of some balcon walls revealed that brick skins were not tied together, leading to instability.

• **Claire** Flat not inspected. Report of severe balcony problems and damp from flat above.
Reported and listed for action.

• **'30A' (TRA HQ)**

Forgotten by schedule and previous regeneration. Now very dilapidated and requires updating to TRA requirements. **Chris to report.** Thanks to Chris and Anne.

4) Finance Report

TRA bank account news. The treasurer reported that Metro Bank require one more set of signatures to set up the account. Copies of relevant documents were signed by authorised signatories Rob and Jackie. **Tim to report back.**

• The meeting authorised expenditure on the following items:

a) 1 box Paper; up to £12. b) Seeds, tools, plants and peripherals to the value of £70. If needed urgently, items to be purched by interested residents and costs recovered on presentation of invoice for agreed sums.

5) Secretary's Report

• 30A now almost cleared for regular use by TRA.

• Claire Palmer and Frankie Allum elected as committee members.

Nominated: Chair, Seconded: Secretary. 4 for 1 Abstention.

6) Conservation Group Report

Thanks to Faye for regular reports on external activites, and apologies on not publishing in newsletter. There will be room in the larger format newsletter, which we will (hopefully) produce this year.

Discussion of the further implications of the Housing Bill to be scheduled for the next meeting.

7) Garden Group

The garden and barbecue day of May 15th reported as a success. A large area of ground was prepared, and seeds and bulbs planted, involving Juniper children. Thanks to all who took part, especially Jo for water. Tim circulated consultation forms to be retuurned to Flat 13. Another event planned for June 19th.

8) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

Ballcage. There have been fewer complaints but there is still a problem with late-night noise. The structure is also requires serious attention.
Possible to raise as part of Major Works.
Action. Sec to contact Chris Ayton and Local Area Management.

9) Date of Next TRA Meeting.

August 1st.

Housing and Planning Bill 2015

From 'Shelter' Briefing

• **Forced sale of council homes.** In order to generate revenue for central government, councils across the country will be required to sell low-rent council homes deemed 'high value' by government as soon as they become vacant.
This will fund Right to Buy discounts for Housing Association tenants across the country. **19,000 council homes could be sold by 2020, with 113,000 at risk in total**. The government should explicitly commit to replacing homes like-for-like in the areas they are lost and put in place sensible exemptions.
• **Starter Homes.** As Starter Homes are not currently affordable to most families on low-and-middle incomes, they should be built in addition to, not in place of, existing affordable housing. Local authorities should not be compelled to accept them if they are not affordable to their local community.
• **Pay to Stay.** People in low-rent affordable homes with a household income of more than £30,000 (£40,000 in London) will have their rents increased gradually to private rent levels. We believe these income thresholds are likely too low given how high private rents are in many parts of England.'
www.england.shelter.org.uk/professional_resources/policy_and_research/policy_library/policy_library_folder/briefing_housing_and_planning_bill_2015

From 'AxeThe Housing Act ' Briefing

If you're a Leaseholder

'The combined effects of the Act and spending cuts will mean higher service charges because Council housing departments are being asked to do more with less. As more council homes are sold off and implementing the Act brings higher administration costs, leaseholders will be asked to foot some of the bill.
There's added danger for leaseholders if your estate is ear-marked for 'regeneration'. We've already seen examples of families forced to move out, but unable to afford to move back and being offered a fraction of the value of their home as compensation. These cases will increase if the government is allowed to implement its 'brownfield sites' policy.'

If you're a council tenant

(The government) 'wants to destroy council housing as we know it and reduce it to being 'the housing of last resort' as in the US. This would be a disaster not just for current tenants, but for their children and future generations who, now more than ever, need a decent, secure home at a rent they can afford. The government wants to break up council estates and allow developers more powers to make even more money from building for sale. This is also a threat to the kind of places we live in. Without council housing, those on low and medium incomes will find it increasingly hard to find a settled home they can afford near work and transport.'
www.killthehousingbill.files.wordpress.com/2016/01/atha_briefing1_june2016_2nd-1.pdf

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8pm Monday August 1st

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(venue to be confirmed)

comments on the housing bill

(see page 4)

major works to start november

(see minutes)

drainage problems

direct contact number

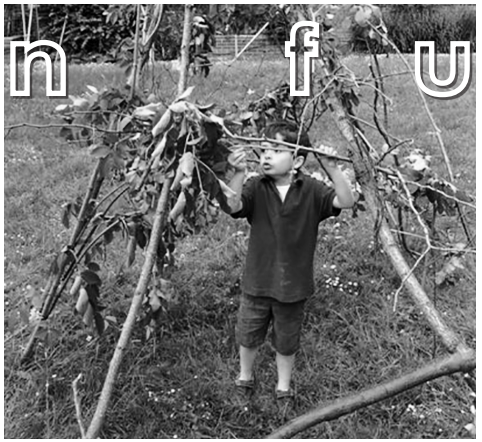
For all waste-drainage problems, including back-up into bathrooms, and clogged external drains contact Thames Water on:

0800 316 9800

The underground pipes from the block to the main drain are the responsibility of Thames Water.
But they will only maintain them if problems are reported.
Thames Water are not responsible for clogged u-bends in sinks or baths.









After a day's hard work, the feeling around the barbecue was unanimously in favour of doing it all again as soon as possible.

As well as the food, and the fun of working together, there was a genuine sense of investment in Juniper, and of having taken a first step to creating something beautiful and lasting, even though it may still look a litte raw.

The area was originally intended for a range of native woodland plants, but a decade of neglect meant it was mostly dominated by one species, Ground Elder, which is particularly difficult to exterminate. A few weeks work has cleared most of the weeds for now. And since the large standard Poplar tree was reduced, there is now far more toplight available, providing a chance to grow plants which need sunshine. Hopefully, in a few weeks, the area will be full of Black-Eyed Susans, Poppies, Cornflower, Flax, Corn Marigold, Ox-Eye Daisies and several other species of wildflowers and grasses, with Bluebells, Foxgloves and Hollyhocks in flower next year. All sown by Juniper kids and their friends.

Other species can also take advantage of this newly-lit woodland, such as long-living standard trees like Oak or Chestnut. These would also help protect the siite as a garden space for the future, and are also increibly beneficial to wildlife. As the tree-canopy returns, other woodland and hedgerow species can be introduced and established for the long term.

Thanks to Jo for the water.

More news at meeting on June 7.

Rob Kenyon

g a r d e n p o w e r

(why plants are not just pretty)

As I glance up from my living-room table a bright, slightly swaying, mass of green greets my eyes. The vividness of the colour and the sound of birdsong draws my eyes up and outside again and again, towards our block garden. Our garden is why I came to live here and the sight, sound and smell of it - even just from my balcony - gives me a lift in spirit; a small break in the rush of daily work/life busyness (or tiredness).

This isn't just me being fuzzy. Many scientific studies link access to 'green space' with mental wellbeing and even physical health. There's a movement to protect and develop hospital gardens and an awareness of the importance of window access to green space to bedridden patients during recovery. One finalist in last year's ***'Tree of the Year Award'*** (yes, even trees can get awards) was nominated by an housebound elderly lady precisely because it was a beautiful sight that she could look out upon throughout the year and feel connected to the world.

In fact, over the past year the need to protect and develop green space, and particularly trees, in urban areas has been highlighted with projects in several countries. Examples are the mapping of trees across New York City, or the assignment of email addresses for every tree in the city of Melbourne, inspiring hundreds of tree 'love-letters' from admiring citizens.

In London 'green space' projects are on the rise, from the controversial Garden Bridge project to the Peckham Coal Line project.

Some of that sounds crazy I know, but it is a reflection of the connection that humans have with trees, they provide shelter, fuel, food and, importantly, air. The report on London's air-pollution that hit the papers recently listed 400 primary schools whose playgrounds are in areas where levels of Nitrogen Dioxide are above acceptable levels.

One of the schools on the list is Kender. Parents and teachers are being told to take children outside as much as possible, to model and facilitate healthy living, but without good air quality all of us - not only the children - are vulnerable to a range of health conditions related to poor air quality and lack of green space.

What can we do? We have an amazing opportunity to utilise our own green space on the block. At a time when any seemingly underused land is at risk of development the more our space is valued the safer it is. The development of the woodland area is a direct and physical step in raising air quality in our neighbourhood, so come on down and enjoy it – bring your cuppa outside on a sunny day, bring your children out to play or just take a walk through on your way home from work. What a privilege to have this beautiful connection to green right here in our own communal garden.

'Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can.' (Arthur Ashe)

by Coralie Allison

meeting highlights

1. Proposal to approve funding of TRA by Co-op.
(Co-op members especially needed.)

2. Information on the forthcoming major works by Chris Ayton
(LBS Contracts Manager).

Juniper TRA Meeting 8
8pm. June 7th. Brimtonroy Hall. Culmore Street.
AGENDA

1. Juniper Cooperative Special Meeting

1. Members Present

2. Proposal.

Proposal. This meeting approves the remission of £100 to Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association for initial office expenses. And amends it to include initial garden Group expenses for the forthcoming planting season, including seeds, tools, plants and perpherals to the value of £50. and All expediture to be itemised and presented to TRA meetings for approval.

3. Any other Business.

4. Date of next meeting.

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2. Juniper Tenants & Residents Association Meeting

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Finance Report

TRA bank account news.
Authorised expenditure items:
a) 1 box Paper; up to £12.
b) Seeds, tools, plants and peripherals to the value of £50.
Discussion on other items.

4) Secretary's Report

5) Building & Maintenance Chris Ayton. LBS Contracts.

6) Conservation Group Report

7) Garden Issues

8) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

9) Other Business

10) Date of Next TRA Meeting

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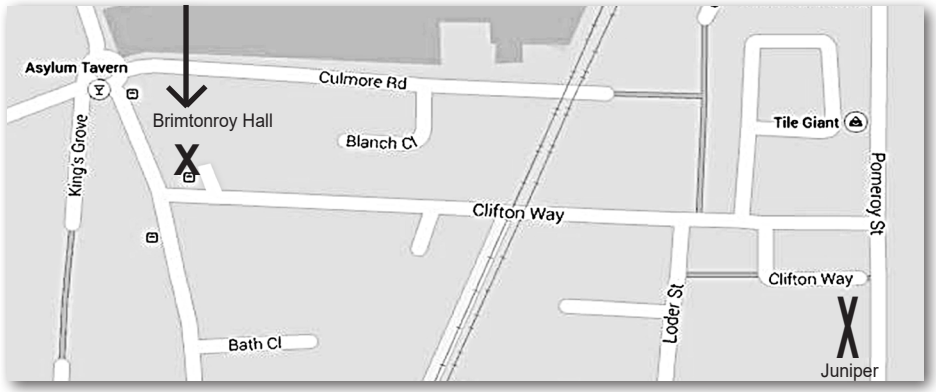
JUNIPER HOUSE TRA MEETING
plus Co-op Meeting
8pm Tuesday June 7th
Brimtonroy Tenants Hall • Culmore Rd. SE15 2RQ

plus

Special Guest

LBS Contracts Manager
Chris Ayton
to answer questions on the planned major works

where to go



Juniper TRA Meeting 7 Minutes 26/4/2016.

8.pm Brimtonroy Tenants Hall.

1. Present. Karl Bolingbroke (19), Tim Burrow (treasurer. 13), Rob Kenyon (secretary. 32), Lloyd Trott (46), Jackie Wilford (chair. 14).

2. Apologies. None.

3. Secretary Report

a) Office cleared by LBS. Serious refurbishment can now start. Double-glazing units moved to storage. Special thanks to Michael Timlin for help.
action: Newsletter to appeal for materials and help for initial work.

b) Many offers of free courses are received by the secretary. So many, that to share them all would be impractical. A selection will be included on the newsletter (space permitting). Residents are advised to search www.southwark.gov.uk for a full list of available resources.
Any residents interested in access to courses on (for example) Book-keeping, event and meeting management, first aid, organising playgroups etc, can also contact the secretary (flat 32. sec.junipertra@gmail.com.)
Information on grants to be shared as it becomes known.

c) TRA to investigate sources of support for residents facing problems due to the transition to Universal Credit.
action: Karl to contact 170 group. Rob to contact Cllr Rhule and other possible LBS sources.

d) John Phelan (LBS Community Engagement Unit) to attend next meeting.

e) Complaints received about late night activity in the football cage. The secretary reported that those involved were cooperative when politely requested to leave.
The issue has since been raised in the newsletter. If the problem recurs, further action to be considered. Locking the gates was suggested, but a keyholder prepared to open and close the cage every day was thought to be difficult to find.

4. Finance Report

All three bank profiles (Tim Burrow, Rob Kenyon, Jackie Wilford) now cleared. But the bank still requires that the minutes of the meeting which authorised the establishment of the account be signed by all present.

This was not known when the proposal was passed, and one of those present was abroad and unavailable. To provide the required documentation as soon as possible, the original proposal was resubmitted to be signed immediately by those present (if passed).

Proposal 1.

This meeting proposes that an account be opened with Metrobank in the name of Juniper House Tenants & residents Association. The authorised signatories to be Rob Kenyon, Tim Burrow, and Jackie Wilford.
proposed Jackie Wilford, seconded Rob Kenyon. **passed 3-1**.
action: Tim to prepare final document for signatures and present to Metro.
action: Since the proposal was passed, the additional authorisation document was also signed by all present.

Proposal 2.

This meeting authorises the request to Juniper House Cooperative for a remission of £100 with which to open a new bank account, and cover any initial office expenses period. All specific items to be approved by the TRA meeting.
proposed Jackie Wilford, seconded Tim Burrow. **passed 3-1**.
action: Juniper Co-op to present spending proposal for approval at the next co-op meeting.

5. Building and Maintenance

There was general uncertainty about the scale and extent of the forthcoming major works. Issues raised:
a) The allocation of responsibility for maintenance of the drains.
b) Problems with the timing of grounds & balcony lighting.
c) The extent of visits to individual flats by Elkins' survey team.
d) The lack of any dates for consultation was also of concern.
action: Secretary to contact Chris Ayrton for clarification.
Residents to be urged to 'crowd-source' faults and report directly to the email addresses on the letters already delivered to all flats, and to forward reports to the secretary if they wish. While collective TRA action was suggested, no specific course was proposed.

6. Conservation Group Report - Events to be shared through newsletter.

7. Garden Group

A report was delivered on the progress made through 2 workdays in April.
Much of the pernicious Ground Elder in the woodland area has been cut and uprooted. Dead saplings and invasive suckers have been cleared, the timber to be recycled as a low wattle boundary fence.
A plan of the site was presented and possibilities discussed. The meeting stressed the importance of keeping the area as natural as possible. A more detailed planting plan to be finalised by Gardening Group.

Gardening Group Proposals were presented for approval:
Proposal 1. To regenerate and maintain the Woodlands area at the north of the garden, restoring its original purpose as a diverse habitat and ornamental shade area period weeds to be cleared boundaries defined and arrange a suitable species planted.
Proposed: Karl Bolingbroke. **Seconded**: Rob Kenyon. **Passed**: **4 - 0**

Proposal 2. To open a small vegetable patch adjoining the woodland area.
The meeting felt that raised beds would be more suitable for vegetables, and respectfully returned the proposal to group for further consideration. Funding for suitable project to be sought. Next Garden Group meeting: Sunday May 15th. 2pm - 9pm Meeting/Workday/Barbecue. Possible Kids Bulb Planting Day. **action:** Rob to source free bulbs.

8. Matters Arising. NA.

9. Any Other Business.

a) Football Cage. This was felt to be in urgent need of redesign to make it fit for purpose and to match its usage to the site.
b) Anti-Social Behaviour. Late Night Motorbike noise. Residents are believed to be responsible. All such nuisance should be reported to LBS Noise Unit.
c) **Juniper Cooperative News**.
i. The LBS funds resting in the Co-op account has finally been transferred - no thanks to Natwest. The Co-op balance is now approximately £33,000.
ii. A co-op meeting is now required to approve the payment requested by the TRA (4. Proposal 2) It was recommended that a co-op meeting be included on the agenda of the TRA meetings to approve any further requests immediately. This arrangement to continue until the co-op has no more assets to donate to the TRA, at which point the co-op account can be made dormant.
iii) It was the feeling of the meeting that the co-op should seek a cheaper accountant as soon as possible.

10. Date of Next TRA Meeting. June 7th.

Garden Day

This Sunday

from 2pm • May 15th

Meeting • Weeding • Planting

B a r b e c u e s

FOLLOW THE CROWDS - EVERYONE WELCOME

(as are contributions of plants, seeds, food, drinks, tools)

It's a good old-fashioned, home-made community day

The recent experience of social-housing demolitions by LBS seems to show that estates stand a better chance of regeneration and improvement if there had been more involvement by residents in their green spaces, and they had been used creatively. If residents take 'ownership' of their green spaces, they do not become 'under-used', and are worth preserving. The message seems to be: improve the garden - improve the block.

The recent experience of the Garden Group definitely shows that gardening is *fun*, whatever the other benefits. The other benefits this Sunday include food and fireside chat.

www.35percent.org/the-southwark-clearances/

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Football Cage Noise

'Time Gentlemen ***Please***'

This problem obviously isn't going to go away by looking at it, so a notice will be posted, and polite requests made. If that doesn't work, we will have to decide about keys. (see minutes inside). And the motorbike has got to go. But to be fair, when requested to go home politely, those involved never make a fuss. Alternatively, we could all lean out of our windows and suddenly announce together out of the dark:

'Time Gentlemen, Please.'

Stranger things have worked with rowdy teenagers, especially if they turn up on Youtube.

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JUNIPER HOUSE TRA MEETING

8pm Tuesday June 7th

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where to go



plus the unmissable

SPRING GARDEN DAY

from 2pm Sunday May15

(see back page)

JUNIPER WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST

Sunday: 18°C. Dry. Not too sunny. Light winds.

Ideal gardening day

Southwark Tenant Council News

Amended Motion to Tenant Council. Passed unanimously 4.4.16

This Tenant Council notes:
The Government's Housing and Planning Bill means higher rents, less security and less chance of a home you can afford. The Bill:
• Makes councils sell off existing council homes. • Removes secure tenancies • Introduces a "pay to stay" scheme for social housing tenants if two household members' income is more than £30k (£40k in London). • Means increased rents and longer waiting lists • Reduces travellers' rights. • Makes councils provide unaffordable "Starter Homes" instead of affordable housing for rent. • Makes councils set up a Brownfield Register and give planning "Permission in Principle" to all land on this register.

This Tenant Council believes:
The Housing and Planning Bill will not solve the housing crisis. It will make it worse. It will force people from their homes, families and communities, into insecure private renting.

This Tenant Council calls on Southwark Council to refuse to implement the Housing Bill and in particular to:
• Not collect data on the incomes of tenants • Not introduce higher rents for some tenants as part of the government's pay to stay scheme, or any local variant involving a taper system • Continue to issue secure tenancies to all new tenants • Not sell off "high value council homes" and refuse to pay the levy imposed by the government to fund Right to Buy to housing association tenants. • Not place social or council housing estates on the Brownfield Register. • Call on the Council Trade Unions to support non co-operation with the Housing Bill and resist any attempt by council chief officers or Government appointees to force through implementation. •Call on TRAs, Area Forums and SGTO to support the Council's position of non-co-operation with the Housing Bill. • Propose a joint campaign of non-co-operation with other Councils opposed to the Bill.

This Tenant Council resolves:
• To add its name to the Kill the Housing Bill Campaign. • To urge the delegates of Tenants Council to publicise the Kill the Housing Bill Campaign and send representatives to the organising meetings. • To urge tenants to support the national demonstration on Saturday 18th June 2016. • To urge Area Forums and TRAs and SGTO to adopt this motion and organise local activities against the Bill.

http://www.southwark.gov.uk/downloads/download/3211/tenant_council_draft_minutes

demonstrations on 15/16 April, 18 June
details: www.thepeoplesassembly.org.uk

Garden Group Meeting with Southwark Grounds Maintenance Supervisor

April 3. 10am Garden. Present: Oliver Levine LBS, Tim Burrow f12, Rob Kenyon f32.

1. Oliver was made aware of the group objectives:
i) To help enhance the garden and encourage wider use and participation.
ii) To enable residents to take part in gardening activities.
and given some basic history of the site. And informed of the skills and relevant qualifications of residents interested in gardening.

2. The group meeting on 28th March (see minutes Newsletter 19) decided to initially approach Oliver specifically about:

a. The possibilities of a vegetable border.
There were no objections in principal to a trial border, as long as it is sited sensitively. A strip bordering the woodland area was seen as a possible candidate, providing both seclusion and sunlight.

b. Management of the woodland area.
No objections, and offer of possible help and co-operation with future projects when access is cleared for LBS workers. Clearance of Ground Elder infestation and feral Acacias was OK'd. Contact for ground team provided. Organic refuse to be left for LBS collection.

c. Future use of the site to the rear of Flat 1.
This will be a matter of negotiation with the new tenants, but officially, the area is LBS responsibility.

d. Monitoring and reporting problems with trees.
Oliver is not responsible for trees. Contact given.

3. Oliver advised that the ground-crew be notified of any developments or projects in progress.

4. LBS to be notified in detail of all proposed projects.

Garden Group Day 1 Sunday April 3rd

Present: Shakera Rahman, Tim Burrow, Jackie Wilford, Rob Kenyon.

Woodland and surrounding areas. 2pm - 5.30pm.
Masses of choking Ground Elder cut to prevent flowering. Roots to be tackled when suitable tools become available. Dead and feral acacias cut and sorted for fencing. General litter-picking and tidying.

Many thanks to Alice at The Field, Queen's Road for tools.
And to Tim for tea and cake.
All volunteers welcome for the next session on Sunday April 17th.

have your say from home

Juniper now has both a facebook page and group.
Discuss issues, create events, share photos, videos & files.

The page is mostly for official business
www.facebook.com/junipertra

And the group for everything else related to Juniper.
www.facebook.com/groups/juniperSE14
...advertise your business, recycle items, make contacts, ask for help...

late-night ball-cage noise

With the warmer evenings everyone accepts there will be more late night exhibitions of youthful exuberance.

But please remember that some residents need their rest.

Please use the garden considerately.

Agenda Item TRA meeting 26th April

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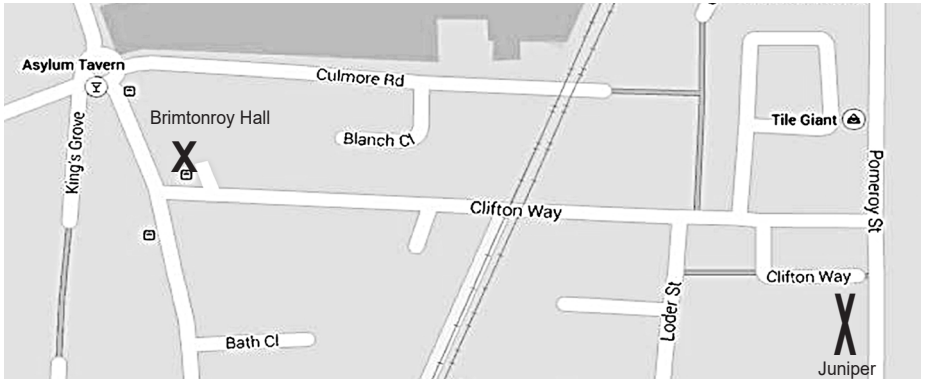
Re-Convened

JUNIPER HOUSE TRA MEETING

8pm Tuesday April 26th

Brimtonroy Tenants Hall • Culmore Rd. SE15 2RQ

where to go



GARDEN GROUP

(bring gloves)

from 12.30pm Sunday April 17th

meet in the garden

Juniper TRA Garden Group Inaugural Meeting

28pm. March 20th. 30A Juniper House (store)
Minutes

Present
Tim Burrow 13. Rob Kenyon 32. Shakera Rahman 72. Rowan Taylor 72. Jackie Wilford 14. Molly Wootten 72.

1) Introductions, Skillsharing and Areas of interest.

2) Election of officers.
It was explaned that TRA officers were not permitted to vote at sub-committees

Shakera Rahman elected chair. Proposed Molly Wootten seconded Rowan Taylor. Molly Wootten elected Vice Chair. Proposed Rowan Taylor seconded Shakera Rahman.

3) Terms of Reference
General: To help enhance the garden and encourage wider use and participation. To enable residents to take part in gardening activities.
Specific. Given the early stages of development and the linited resources available, it was thought best to start with small basic projects.
The meeting voted to recommend the following projects to the TRA meeting 31/03/2016.
1. Investigate the possibilities of a vegetable border.
2. Co-ordination of regular weed removal and management of woodland area.
3. To clarify with the LBS garden officer whether the Garden Group will be able to use the herbgarden site and raised beds to the rear of Flat 1.
4. To monitor and report problems with trees, for action by LBS.

ACTION: RK to contact Oliver Levine (LBS) to arrange meeting.

4) Walkabout
The meeting walked the grounds, noting areas of interest and discussing related issues:
a) regeneration of games cage.
b) identification of sunny and shady areas for appropriate planting.
c) the potential of the white walls for a community mural project.

5) NEXT MEETING
Sunday 3rd April. 2pm. Initial woodland weeding session. Please bring gloves.

TRA constitution quote of the month

"SUBCOMMITTEES 22.
The committee may appoint such subcommittees as may be required to carry out the activities of the Association. Such subcommittees shall be directly accountable to the committee. The committee shall agree in advance the terms of reference of any sub-committee, which may then act and apply any finance raised by itself or on its behalf only within those terms.
The Chairperson and Treasurer of the Association shall be nonvoting exofficio members of any subcommittee."



A&E Elkins, contractors for the forthcoming works, have informed us that there will be thorough consultation sessions with tenants and leaseholders to answer questions and field any problems missed in the survey.

Residents probably know better than anyone what's wrong with Juniper House, and it is in our interest to share this knowledge with the company responsible for the repairs.

Please do not miss these opportunities to help direct the works. Times and dates to be announced.

A&E Elkins contact:
Lee Wylie. email: Lee.Wylie@aeelkins.co.uk. tel: 07432 610690

tell your story

Everyone has a story or a point of view or a passion.

Please share yours here.

All contributions gratefully received.

Prizes for best under 14 entry.

please deliver to 32 Juniper House or email sec.junipertra@gmail.com

youth work opportunities

Salmon Youth Centre, Bermondsey is seeking volunteers age 18 and over to mentor young people between the ages of 10-24 who in need of support. The Salmon Youth Centre Mentoring project is primarily aimed at young people who need a positive role model in their lives.

Once through the recruitment and training process, mentors will be matched with a young person to establish a relationship, meeting them at least once every fortnight at a minimum. Their responsibility is to ensure the young person is safe, has fun and learns something each time.

The greatest benefit for the mentor is the satisfaction of getting to know the young person and see them develop under their guidance. Plus the training and experience will be of benefit to those seeking a career in anything that involves working with people.

To request an application form or discuss further please contact James Davis:

james.davis@salmonyouthcentre.org • 0207 232 5308.

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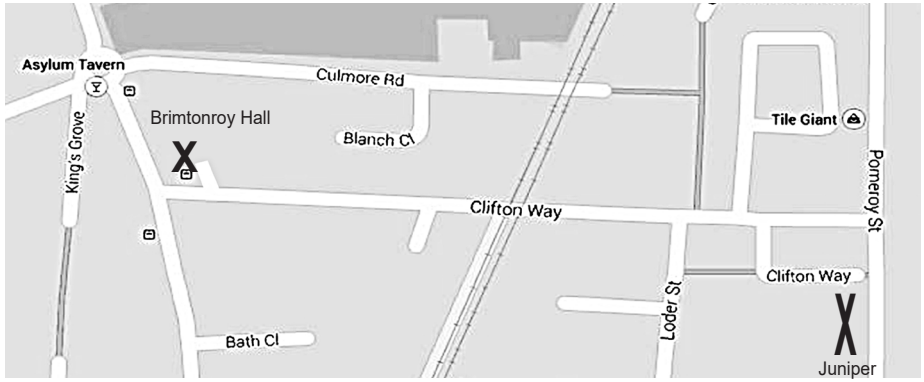
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GARDEN GROUP

woodland weeding day

get fit with weed-robics & take your vengeance out on vegetables

(bring gloves)

2pm Sunday April 3rd

meet at 30A or in the garden later

Minutes . Juniper TRA Meeting 6
8pm. February 16. Brimtonroy Hall. Culmore Street.

Present
Tim Burrow 13 (treasurer). Rob Kenyon 32 (secretary). Mina Mileva 49. Faye Roberts 33. Jackie Wilford 14 (chair). Lloyd Trott 46.

1) Apologies
Claire Phillips, Kirsten Dunham, Coralie Allison,

2) Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

3) Secretary's Report
The major works consultation meeting in December revealed that the drains were not part of the contract. Also that interior work would not include minor repairs, which are the responsibility of LBS Repairs department, but concentrate on renewal of kitchens, bathrooms, toilets, windows and doors.
Regular meetings with Contract manager Chris Ayton were agreed. Residents should report major concerns (interior or exterior) to the TRA for presentation at the consultation sessions.
Proposal to co-opt voluntary note-taker from LBS Community Division.
Unfortunately, the person concerned was unable to attend. But the meeting voted in favour of the principle of allowing a deputy minutes secretary. Hopefully the next meeting will be able to complete the process.

Newsletter. The secretary suggested that the newsletter needs more character, and that residents might volunteer to write short pieces on on living in Juniper, from whatever angle they chose.
action: Tim, Mina and Jaki to report back in due course.

4) Finance Report
TRA bank account authorisation.
The treasurer reported that Metrobank scored a high ethical rating according to www.moveyourmoney.com.
The meeting was informed of the information needed to complete the mandate form, including copies of the constitution and signed minutes of the meeting authorising the establishment of the account and signatories.

Proposal:
This meeting proposes that an account be opened with Metrobank in the name of Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association. The authorised signatories to be Rob Kenyon, Tim Burrow and Jackie Wilford.

passed; 5 for. 1 abstention.

5) Building & Maintenance
It was not felt that the letter from Elkins Ltd had addressed our concerns about key repairs, especially structural and the drains. Clarification needed regarding LBS priorities,and any obligatory work on flats.
action. Chris Clayton (contract manager) to be invited to next meeting.

6) Conservation Group Report
March 13th National Housing March.

7) Garden Issues
Report from meeting with London Wildlife Trust officer.
Faye reported that consultants from LWT were prepared to meet with the Juniper gardening group to advise and help with planning and executing ideas.
An educational event was felt to be a priority.
Faye also reported that one meeting had raised the danger of LBS targeting 'spare' space for sale to housing developers. Which if true puts our garden under possible threat.
It was mentioned that the garden had been discussed as a site for development when the garages were demolished ten years ago.
A Garden Group Meeting and walkabout was called for February 28th 2pm. (30A storeroom).

8) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting. N.A.

9) Other Business. N.A.

10) Date of Next TRA Meeting. 31/3/2016

gardening. more than just fun

The new Garden Group is the opportunity to be in at the start of an exciting project to enrich and protect the garden, and benefit from healthy exercise in the open air at the same time.
The function of the group is to provide a workshop where the community can agree what it wants for the garden, and represent those wishes to LBS. The group can also negotiate projects and maintenance work involving residents. As a specialist group, it can also take more time arriving at decisions than is possible in general meetings.
So if we want any say in the garden at all, it is vital that the Garden Group represents the community.
It is sad to see how neglected the garden has become. It is no longer the community dynamo it once was. Some residents do not even realise that the garden is part of Juniper House, and for their use. Others do not know how to get into the garden, and believe they require permission.
The amount of use has undoubtedly fallen in the last ten years. This is worrying for several reasons, not least because of the high demand for building land, especially on council estates. The chances are that if we don't take an interest in the site, Southwark will.
The Juniper garden has been considered by LBS for residential development before, when the derelict garages were demolished (the site of the football cage). So it could hardly be less attractive now.
The garden is a long and fascinating story. Hear some of the rest by becoming part of it.

2pm. Sunday March 20th. Assemble '30A'

ask your questions face to face

On the evening of **16 March** at City Hall, SE1 the Southwark Council will be hosting its first ever cabinet member public question time.
Starting at 6.30pm (doors open at 5.30pm) and concluding at 8pm, the event is an opportunity for members of the public to put questions directly to cabinet members.

Jonathan Carr-West, Chief Executive of the Local Government Information Unit will chair the event. This is your chance to hear what the cabinet have to say, listen to the debate and get involved.

Anyone who lives, works, or is interested in Southwark can book a place and suggest a question to the cabinet by emailing **CMPQT@southwark.gov.uk** or tweeting us **@lb_southwark** using the hashtag **#cmpqt**.

Further information at **www.southwark.gov.uk/cmpqt.**

council home sell-offs

If your flat is worth more than government thresholds, under new legislation, the council could be forced to sell it.
Proposed thresholds according to Shelter. 1 bedroom: £340,000; 2 bedroom: £400,000; 3 bedroom: £490,000; 4 bedroom: £790,000; 5+ bedroom: £1,205,000.
Again according to Shelter, 9.5% of Southwark stock is over these thresholds. The total number of homes above the threshold in Southwark is 3,755.

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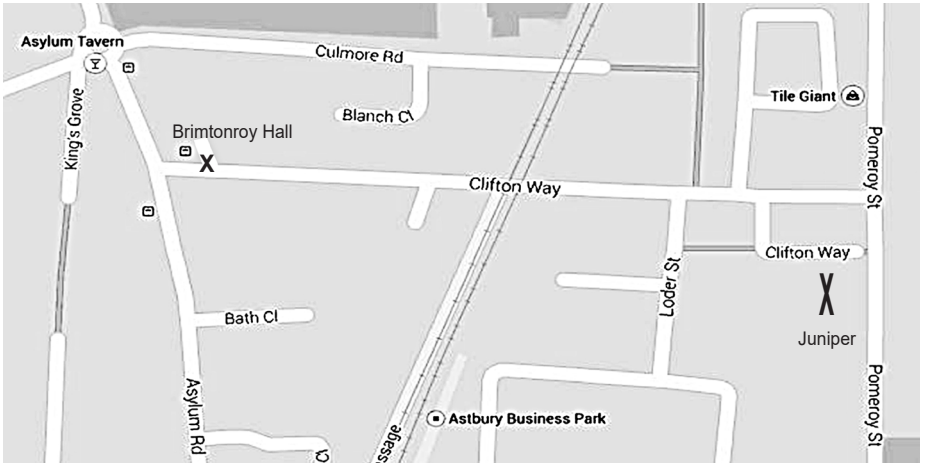
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plus

Garden Group Meeting & Walkabout

2pm. Sunday March 20th

Assemble '30A' (storeroom ground floor)

major works report

By now all residents should have recived a letter from **A&E Elkins ltd** to arrange dates for inspections of internal elements of properties. These visits are to determine if works are required. The letter specifies kitchens, bathrooms, windows and front entrance doors, but this should not deter residents from reporting other faults to their flats.
As below.

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sample complaint from top-floor resident

"My flat and the flat next to me have a geen stain of moss growing on the outside wall due to damp coming into the wall from the roof. This problem has caused milldew mould and damp in my corner room making it unusable as a bedroom.
The waste pipe from my toilet is rusting badly.
The leak/water spray from the little parapet has never been sorted even though I've reported it now for 10 years, it has made a mess of my door and caused rot in my wall surrounding the door."

Hopefully, when the works are complete, this kind of story will be a thing of the past.

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areas to check

• Windows. Most if not all the timber frame windows urgently need external servicing (sanding-down and treatment with preservative stain). And many will also need new glazing units if the seals have blown. Check for condensation between the panes, and report to the visiting surveyor.

• Front Doors. Many of the letter-flaps on the doors fitted 4 years ago have fallen off. Also, the spy-holes are almost useless, especially at night, and the door-knocker, such as it is, is far too quiet to be heard in busy living rooms behind the heavy kitchen fire-door. The last doors fitted by LBS did not have safety chains as standard.

• Kitchen Sinks. Due to the design, the seals around many kitchen sinks have rotted, allowing spillage into the supporting woodwork. This will cause damp and rot in due course. Seals around baths are also liable to perish, and leak into flats below.

To arrange a date for a visit
phone 07972 492 165, or email shelly.sullivan@aeelkins.co.uk

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juniper t.r.a. agenda

1) Apologies

2) Approval of Minutes

3) Secretary's Report
Proposal to co-opt voluntary note-taker from LBS Community Division.

4) Finance Report

5) Building & Maintenance

6) Conservation Group Report

7) Garden Issues

8) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

9) Other Business

10) Date of Next TRA Meeting

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Juniper Cooperative Meeting

1. Apologies.
2. Approval of new cheque signatories.
3. Report on AGM
4. Any other Business.
5. Date of next meeting.

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Urgent Bank Account Amendments

Tomorrow night's meeting of the co-op is essential to authorise new signatories for our bank account. If we cannot do so, we will naturally not be able to make full use of our assets. So a healthy attendance is vital. The main business shouldn't take long.

final flat 1 clearance

10am THURSDAY 18TH FEBRUARY

FIRST COME FIRST SERVED FOR ALL UNWANTED ITEMS

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protect council housing events

National March

to Secure Homes for All & Control Rents

13 March at 12:00–15:00

Lincoln's Inn. Newman's Row, London WC2A 3TL, WC2A 3TL

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monthly estate inspections

Last Tuesday of the Month

Residents Services Officer Mustapaha Semanda and David Lea (Communal Repairs Officer) visit the block to check for possible maintenance problems.

Residents are welcome to attend. 11.30am (approx) at Juniper House.

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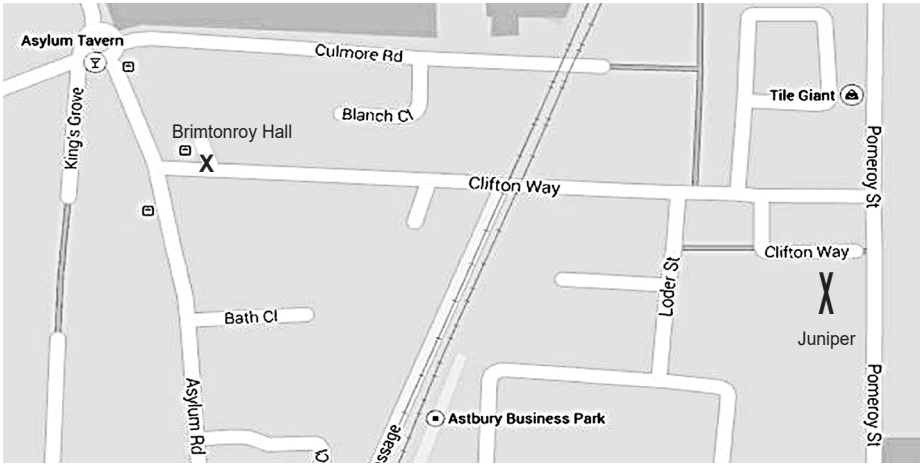
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Juniper TRA Meeting 5 Minutes
8pm. Monday 7/12/2015. Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ

present: Karl Bolingbroke 19. Tim Burrow 13. Kirsten Dunham 60. Ali Jayne 61.
Rob Kenyon 32 (secretary). Lloyd Trott 46. Jaki Wilford 14 (chair).

1. Apologies. Coralie Allison, Claire Phillips, Nick Cattermole, Paul Hood.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting. Approved

3. Secretary's Report

• LBS recognition and funding form still to be filled in.
Action expected when new treasurer takes post.
• New TRA constitution approved and signed by secretary and chair.

4. Finance Report

• No transactions to report.
• New Treasurer required. Nominations.
Tim Burrow (proposed Lloyd Trott, seconded Rob Kenyon).
Passed unanimously. 1 Abstention.
Thanks to Claire for being the TRA's groundbreaking inaugural treasurer, and best wishes.

5. Building & Maintenance

• Scheduled Major Works discussion.
The fact that the letter from LBS scheduling major works did not mention drain works may be explained by the fact it was not included in the 'Asset Management Strategy'.
Residents should make the most of the consultation process announced.
Various members reported serious faults in their flats including decaying window frames, and cracks in walls and ceilings on the top floor.
• Pest control.
There have been various reports of rodents. Rat problems should be reported to **pestcontroladmin@southwark.gov.uk.** Ways in which residents can reduce the problem to be flagged in newsletter.

6. Conservation Group Report

• Block consultation feedback.
Lloyd reported that most of the residents he contacted on the top floor were aware of the possible implications of the Saville report. Most expressed an interest in being involved, or informed of developments. One new resident asked to be included on the mailing list.
One leaseholder raised the specific issue of monitoring Southwark's calculation of service charges and general accountability. Long-standing issues with damp were also reported.
• Latest update on LBS Housing Bill.
Members expressed concern that under proposed legislation, Juniper's future was not guaranteed, in spite of the work to take place next year. Reservations were expressed over the influence we could have on decisions. A group meeting is to be called if felt necessary during the forthcoming works and consultation process.
ACTION: Members to attend LBS consultation session and report back.

7. Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

• Store-room/office. Negotiations are under way to empty the storeroom and flat 1.
• The rat reported on the top floor has been disposed of.

8. Other Business

Besson Street Community Garden have generously offered their space for meetings between 6-8pm.
It is hoped to resume garden group activity in the new year. Meeting to be called to specify aims and objectives and meet with LBS representatives. It was felt that planning should be an integral element of the group's remit.

9. Next Meeting

25th January. Venue: Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ

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to help prevent rodents

• Residents are advised to seal their rubbish bags securely and place them inside the bins, not alongside, where they will be quickly torn apart by foxes, squirrels and rats.

• It is also not a good idea to throw bread and other waste food into the garden for the birds. It is probably the wrong kind of food for them at this time of year, but fine for rats. A proper bird-feeder, designed to limit spillage is preferable.

• Loose bags of potting compost and neglected tubs on balconies also provide cosy base-camps for mice to begin investigating your even cosier flat.

• If you have mice, it helps to block any holes in walls, especially between kitchen and bathroom alongside water pipes. Mice can squeeze through the tiniest gap. Wire wool is useful. It is also a good idea to block access under counters or fittings. By some Juniper accounts, the most effective and humane traps are the electronic 'Zappers'. But they are expensive. Non-lethal traps are available.

None of these tips alone will exterminate mice, but all will help. It is hoped that the forthcoming repairs might help by sealing up gaps in walls and blocking any internal runways for rodents in the fabric of the building.

protect council housing events

'Kill The Housing Bill' Demonstration

Saturday 16 January. 11am – 1pm

128 Theobald's Road. WC1X 8TN (Holborn Tube)

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Lobby LBS Housing Committee

Tuesday 26th January 6pm

160 Tooley Street. SE1

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amazing bargains!

store clearout (30a)

11am TUESDAY 12TH JANUARY

flat 1 clearout

10am FRIDAY 15TH JANUARY

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK. ALL VOLUNTEERS GREATLY APPRECIATED

FIRST COME FIRST SERVE FOR ALL UNWANTED ITEMS

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garden meeting

SOON

(keep an eye on staircase noticeboards for details)

Planning and strategy to be decided.

With Spring almost here, it seems, it's not too soon to start exchanging ideas about the growing season. Any suggestions please contact:

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next TRA meeting

8pm. january 25th.

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new works news

Major works are about to start at Juniper in 2016 (see community news 15). The initial surveys are to take place in May, with regular consultation events planned throughout the contract. The first 'pop-in' session was held on December 8th. At this, LBS representatives clarified certain issues.

• All items on the letter sent to residents are only proposed works. Decisions will be made during the strategic survey in May. So the duration or extent of the work is unknown at present.

• Drains are apparently not on the schedule of works. This is a seperate issue we will have to fight for, so it is important that all residents suffering from drainage problems should report them as often as possible, and raise them at the consultation sessions.

• Renovation work on interiors and kitchens is also planned. Obsolete or damaged fittings are to be replaced. Where residents have obviously invested time and effort in personalising their flats, we were told there would be no compulsion to have work done, provided all fittings were deemed safe.

• All faults in flats or the building should be reported to the contract team during the surveys.

• There will be disruption to parking during the contract due to the need for onsite storage and offices. Disabled badge holders should make a point of notifying the team of their usual space, or negotiate a new one for the duration.

• A series of meetings are planned with leaseholders to discuss the implications for service charges.

LBS 'cleaner-greener' projects

We are now too late to apply for this year's money. Next year we need to make as much use of this source of funding as possible.
Hopefully next year, the TRA will be able to access some funds from JHC (Juniper House Cooperative). But that will depend on how tomorrow's Annual General Meeting goes. So please attend.

Here are some typical projects in Southwark which were funded last year.

Albion Estate tiered planters
Derelict tiered planters were re-built and replanted.

Surrey Docks Farm solar panels
A solar panel system was installed to provide a cleaner and greener source of energy to Surrey Docks Farm.

Pullens mum's gardening club
The installation of raised beds on an unused area of Pullens estate was designed to provide educational and social development for children and bring the mums on the estate closer together.

Grove Lane wildlife habitats
A bug hotel has been installed in the garden. It will boost biodiversity by providing a habitat for invertebrates.

Elmwood Road lighting
Lighting was installed in the dark alleyway to improve safety and reduce the fear of crime amongst the residents.

Projects for Juniper might also include:~

- Refurbishment and Improvement of Playspace
- A Babysitting and Playschool Project
- Homework Club
- A Bursary fund for Juniper College Students
- Summer Playschemes, including trips and events
- Children's Art & Theatre Club
- Encouraging Use of the Garden by Residents
- Additional Security Systems
- Website

To find out more: **www.southwark.gov.uk/cleanergreenersafer**

more noticeboards?

As many will have noticed, the official noticeboards in the stairwells are very congested, and the overspill is both unsightly and ineffective.

If you would like to have access to a public pin-board to post information or communicate with other residents, please let the TRA know either at the meeting tomorrow (Monday 7th December).

or by the email or telephone number on the front page.

more **meetings?** why?

They sound like the most boring way to spend time, but unfortunately meetings are the only way to find out what the majority wants and how to get it. And as we've found, getting things done can actually be fun.

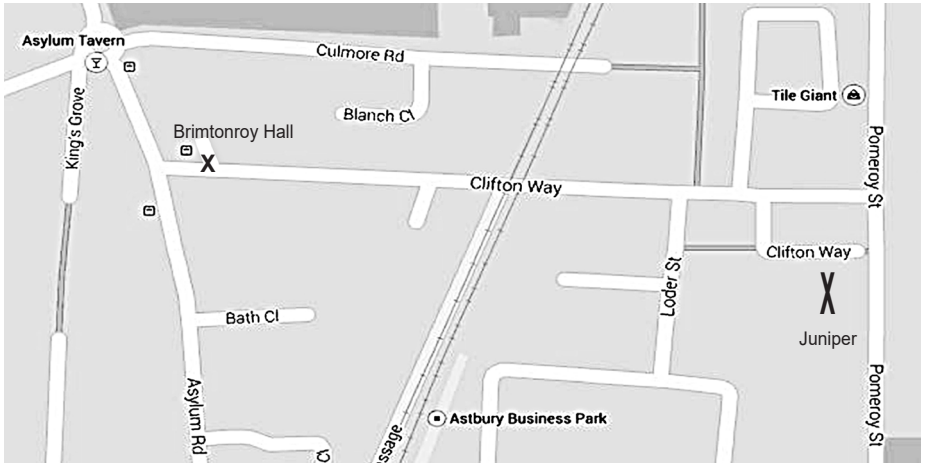
In the case of Monday's Annual General Meeting of **Juniper House Cooperative,** the vital issue is how to manage the future relationship between the co-op and the **Tenants and Residents Association** to best advantage. If we get it wrong, Juniper will lose a major source of support.
It is therefore vital that as many residents as possible attend in order to aviod any further delay, or doubt about the opinion of the residency.

As previously recorded in this newsletter, JHC still holds funds which could be accessed by Juniper TRA, but to enable this to happen, both organisations have to co-exist, for a while at least. After investigation, this seems to be the easiest plan. It appears that offically Dissolving the co-op is an impractically complex process. And it by is no means certain that the Financial Services Authority would allow JHC to merely transfer its assets to Juniper House TRA.

The short story is that the cooperative needs to re-elect core officers (chair, vice-chair, secretary and treasurer) and to fulfill its duties under its constitution. But since it would have little else to do except vote to serve the needs of the TRA, these posts would not take up much of anyone's time. And when its assets became depleted, JHC would become officially dormant and be brought to a close naturally and painlessly.

The last convened AGM two weeks ago was not quorate. This means that this reconvened meeting can proceed and take decisions without the required quorum if necessary.

where to go



NOISE!!

Please bear in mind that Juniper flats were designed before modernsound systems, tv's and rotary washing machines, and any loud sound can be heard by neighbours. Also, many people work during the night and sleep during the day, or have young children.
One sort of noise which people find particularly disruptive is repeated banging on floors and walls, especially now that many flats do not have carpets. Because of its construction, this kind of impact can carry for several floors, and even sound as if it is coming from below when it is in fact coming from above.
Every resident has the 'right to the leaceful enjoyment of their residency' according to the tenancy and leaseholder agreement.
If you are suffering from inconsiderate noise, and a friendly word has not worked,
CONTACT: Noise related Anti Social Behaviour. 0207 525 5777 (24 hours)
Persistent offenders may put their homes at risk, whether council tenants or not.

allocations

Many growing families are in need of larger flats. And some shrinking families may now possibly appreciate paying less rent in a smaller flat.

The quickest way to move is through **mutual exchange**. Call **0207 525 1336**. or email **exchangesandmobility@southwark.gov.uk** for more information

flat 1 clearance

Within the next few weeks, a date for the removal of the contents of flat 1 will be agreed with Southwark council. Much of this is Juniper property, and the TRA will be able to use some of it, but not all. There are therefore several items of office furniture and equipment which we will have to dispose of.
If residents know of charities or local groups in need of such items should contact the secretary (flat 32. email: sec.junipertra.com. phone: 0207 732 8493).
The date will be posted on the noticeboards in due course. The more willing hands available the better. All junk must go!

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GREAT NEWS!

but..

Many residents will have recieved a letter from **Southwark Housing & Modernisation** detailing an extensive range of works to take place.

Including repairs and renewal of:
- Stairs and balconies (communal and personal).
- Kitchens and bathrooms.
- Communal and residential windows.
- Roofs and gulleys.
- Communal electrical installations.

And more "if the condition requires".

If it takes place, this level of investment obviously means that the short-term future of Juniper is secure. And as such will be a relief to many. However, every estate agent will advise improving a property before selling it. And since the council is under severe pressure to sell of as much of its stock as possible, we still have to keep asking questions. To feel safe, we need confirmation of Southwark's long-term commitment to keeping Juniper as affordable-rent social housing, accountable to local democracy.

Southwark has set up a consultation process to "voice ideas, issues and concerns". This will meet monthly, with the first drop-in session on **Tuesday 8th December at 132 Queens Road, Room G05/06. SE152HP between 4-7pm. All residents are welcome.**

One concern residents may like to raise is the curious absence of **drain maintenance** from the long list of scheduled works.

RECONVENED
Juniper House Cooperative Annual General Meeting

plus Juniper TRA General Meeting

8pm. Monday 7th December 2015. Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ (polling station)

Juniper TRA Meeting 4 Minutes

Thursday 7.30pm. 2/11/2015. Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ • present: Karl Bolingbroke 19. Tim Burrow 13. Rob Kenyon 32 (treasurer). Lloyd Trott 46. Jackie Wilford (chair) 14.

Meeting had to reconvene to flat 32 as Brimtonroy centre was locked on arrival.

1. Apologies Claire Phillips, Nick Cattermole.

2. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting
Minutes approved.

3. Secretary's Report
• The TRA Recognition and funding form not yet completed due to the fact that we still do not have a bank account.
• The future of Juniper House Co-op (JHC) to be resolved at the Annual General Meeting of JHC on November 19th.
The meeting was told that formal dissolution under Friendly Society Rules is an extremely long-winded process. The meeting agreed 3-1 that a proposal should be placed before the AGM to continue JHC as long as possible, to enable the best administration of its remaining assetts and obligations.

4. Finance Report
• Bank account to be set up as soon as possible. **ACTION.** Chair.
• The TRA is seeking a new treasurer.

5. Juniper Conservation Group Report
• The October Southwark Cabinet Meeting to to discuss the 'New Southwark Plan' was attended by members of the group. First impressions of the Asset Management Strategy seem to show a degree of flexibility over implementation of the 'Sustainability Ratings' used on LBS properties.
Tim analysed the figures and found that several estates with lower ratings than Juniper House were already scheduled for work. This was held to be initially reassuring, but no guarantee for the long-term future. Juniper therefore still needs to attract as much investment and regeneration as possible, and to do even more to encourage involvement by residents.
• Engagement. The chair proposed a system of floor-reps to regularly doorstep and talk to people, reporting the latest developments and getting feedback. Lloyd volunteered for top floor.
Outreach to neighbouring estates, attendance at Community Council Meetings, an updated website, and and expanded newsletter were all suggested as means of creating more presence and generating involvement.

6. Building & Maintenance
The new recommended number for reporting faults is **0800 952 4444**. Those numbers previously mentioned would not have logged the repairs onto the system making them active reports.
Faye Roberts also reported that some LBS departments still think that Juniper is run by a TMO not the council. This naturally causes confusion and delay.
ACTION. Secretary.

7. Matters Arising from Previous Meeting
Garden Group Proposal: 'This meeting approves the formation of a sub-committee under the constitution to help monitor and maintain the garden, and to encourage more use of it in the interest of the community. All activity to be reported to the general meeting.'
proposed Rob Kenyon. Seconded Karl Bolingbroke. passed unanimously.
First meeting to specify more detailed aims and objectives.
Proposed Karl. Seconded Rob. Agreed unanimously.

• **Store-room**.
More action needed. Newsletter call.

• **Noticeboards**
LBS have refused our reques to erect open noticeboards at the foot of the stairs. The reason being that we have enough already.
Further approaches to be made via Community section, and if fruitless, seek direct community grant. **ACTION.** Secretary.
The TRA to agree clear guidelines for use of noticeboards.

Winter Warmer!
Rob to organise combustibles and meet with Tim on afternoon of 6th to prepare.

8. Other Business
• Flat 1 regeneration. Issue of Juniper property still inside. **ACTION.** Sec.
• Bulk Refuse Charges. Karl reports that LBS are talking about introducing a fee of £18 per item.
• Rats were seen near the drains in the back garden during the summer. This is clear evidence that the drains need attention, but might also mean they are being encouraged by residents throwing the wrong sort of food for birds or squirrels. **ACTION. SEC** to report to LBS. Garden Group to advise on correct ways to feed wildlife.

9. Next Meeting - 8pm December 7th.

Juniper House Cooperative Annual General Meeting

7.30pm. 19 November 2015. Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ

AGENDA

1) Apologies

2) Minutes of the Last AGM

3) Presentation of the Accounts

5) Appointment of Auditors

6) Update on the Relationship Between JHC and Juniper House Tenants and Residents Association.

7) Future Governance. Proposals for action.

8) Election of Officers

9) Discussion

10) Date of Next Meeting

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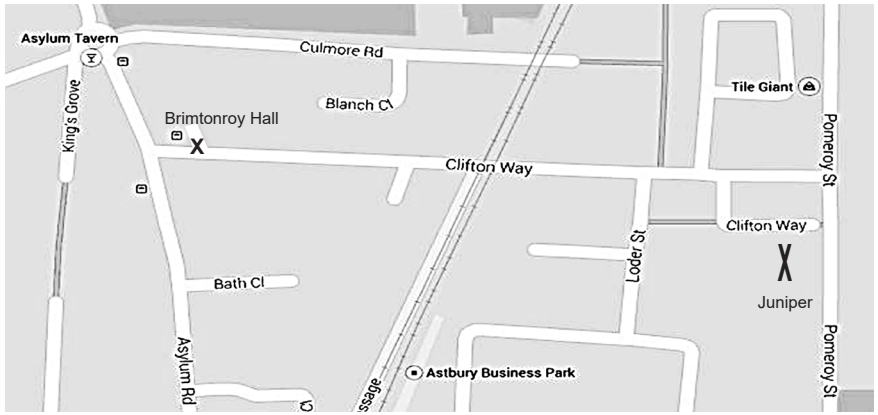
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MEETING 5

Thursday 8pm. December 7

Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Rd. SE15 2RQ

All Residents Welcome



Juniper House Cooperative Annual General Meeting

7.30pm. Thursday 19 November 2015. Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ

Juniper TRA Meeting 3 Minutes

Thursday 7.30pm. 1/10/2015. Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ

present: Tim Burrow 13. Minnie Evans 64. Maureen Ismay 4. Claire Phillips (treasurer) 60.

Fay Roberts 33. Cat Sidney 64. Jackie Wilford (chair) 14.

1. Apologies

Kirsten Dunham, Rob Kenyon, Coralie Allison, Sirena Simon.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 3/9/2015 were agreed as a true record.

3. Secretary's Report

The AGM for Juniper House Cooperative has been set for November 17th. 7.30pm. Brimtonroy Hall. This meeting will hopefully resolve the administrative confusion, and allow the TRA to operate smoothly. A proposal on the future of the co-op to be presented. The meeting agreed that the proposal should recommend the dissolution of the co-op and the transfer of its surplus to TRA control, if possible.

4. Finance Report

Two cheque signatories agreed (Claire Phillips, Coralie Allison).
The Recognition and Funding form is in the being completed. action- Treasurer. Secretary.

5. Juniper Conservation Group Report

• The meeting agreed to authorise extra space in the newsletter for the Conservation Group, and any other groups which may be agreed.
• The group agreed to attend the Council Meeting on the 20th October and report back to a meeting in Tim's at 8pm. Secretary to publicise.
• Spare keys for noticeboards to be requested, plus new boards for TRA use. [Secretary]
• List of recommeded meetings to be published in newsletter.

6. Building & Maintenance

• Balcony Problems. Residents should make enquiries directly to Justin Hall **0207 525 3705**.
• Drains. All residents with any problems should contact Gary Glover on **0207 525 3095**.
Mustapha Semanda LBS to be contacted for number of repair calls made. action.
Justin and Gary to be invited to next meeting to discuss issues.

7. Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

• Garden Group. Clarification needed regarding LBS policy towards gardens now that we are a TRA, and potential limits of group activities and responsibilities.
Maureen to action setup.
• 30A office space. Working party, noon Saturday 3rd October.
• Bike Shed. Tim to report back in November.
• **Mini-Barbecue!** In Garden. (sadly no bonfire) Date: November 6th.
Bring food, drink and chairs.
• Ball court. Coralie to report next meeting.

8. Other Business

• Rubbish and Recycling issues. To be more fully presented in newsletter.

9. Next Meeting - 8pm November 2nd

garden ideas

Within our TRA constitution, we can now form a group to co-ordinate the care and improvement of the garden, which will be accountable to TRA meetings. The last TRA meeting voted in favour of testing the ground to see how LBS would react. (see item **7** minutes opposite, and response below).
Such a group could be used to help residents tend balconies and ground floor areas; contribute plants and effort to enhance the front border; involve children in gardening days and wildlife study; spot and report problems early to LBS for action; help create more social areas within the garden - encouraging more people to use it. And in general offer as many residents as possible the chance to take part in a healthy, creative activity which just happens to be fun.
Serious grants are available for the right project. And any significant investment in the garden would make its future (and Juniper's) that much more secure.
All residents interested should attend the next TRA meeting (see cover) to be in at the start. The more the merrier. No skills required.

initial response from LBS to proposal for gardening group

"The Juniper House TRA Gardening Group (representatives) will need to meet and discuss the gardening proposals or arrangements with Oliver Levine, Grounds Maintenance Supervisor. He will advise the group on what they can and cannot do. He will also advise the Gardening Group on which flowers or plants they can plant. It is envisaged that some sort of agreement or arrangement will need to be in place especially on how and often the group will maintain the gardens.
The Resident Officer has already briefed him and he's happy to meet with the Gardening Group to further discuss these issues."

store story

Many thanks to Working Party, the store is much emptier than it was, but there is still material some might find useful. contact flat 32 for last-chance bargains.
Apologies to immediate neighbours for any undue noise. We will ensure that all work on the store (30A) is undertaken as quietly as possible, and we will try to make the space as sound-proof as practicable when redesigning it.
The space will be used to store documents and the TRA office equipment, for TRA admin work, and for occasional meetings - which should create no more noise than an average family watchng TV, and not end later than 9.30pm

£1.8 million for juniper ideas

The TRA can now apply for funding through the Cleaner Greener Safer (CGS) scheme. The applications for the 2015/16 are now open.
This year over £1,880,000 is available to individuals or community groups with innovative ideas to improve their areas to make their communities cleaner, greener or safer.
We need ideas now, since the closing date for entries is **Monday 9 November** 2015.
There must be dozens of ways that Juniper could be made pleasanter or safer.
Now is our chance to make them a reality. email: sec.junipertra@gmail.com
Successful applications will be announced early in 2016.
To find out more: **www.southwark.gov.uk/cleanergreenersafer**

annual general meeting

The AGM for **Juniper House Cooperative** has been set for **November 17th. 7.30pm.**
The major issue is the future of the organisation and its **Reserve Fund**. A proposal will be circulated in advance, to be voted on at the meeting.
Options are (1) to dissolve the co-op and transfer co-op assetts to the TRA, or (2) to keep the co-op running and use it to finance the TRA.
Option 1 might in theory be frustrated by the **Financial Services Agency**, who could object to the transfer of funds. Option 2 would mean twice the number of officers and administration. The FSA have said informally that they do not believe there would be a problem in our case, and that we should enclose an explanatory letter with the required paperwork for dissolution. To have the co-op's assetts at the disposal of the TRA would be a great boon to the block, and help us in all sorts of ways. And tidying up the co-op's affairs would spare several people a lot of work.
While only members of Juniper House Cooperative can vote, this is a very important meeting for everyone living at Juniper. New members may be accepted on the night.

juniper conservation group

Southwark 'Cabinet' are meeting to discuss the 'New Southwark Plan on Tuesday **October 20th. 4pm, Ground Floor Meeting Room GO2A, 160 Tooley Street, SE1 2QH.**
There will be a period for public questions.
We will be there to try to discover Southwark's commitment to social housing. All are welcome to attend. The group report back to a meeting at 8pm in flat 13.
For further details contact: Paula Thornton or Virginia Wynn-Jones
Phone: 020 7525 4395/7055 Email: paula.thornton@southwark.gov.uk; virginia.wynn-jones@southwark.gov.uk.
More info at '35% Campaign' (www.35percent.org/blog 18/07/2015)

DRAIN CAMPAIGN!

The more people report problems the better. Don't give up.
Report direct to: **Gary Glover** on **0207 525 3095**
and report what happened at the next meeting.

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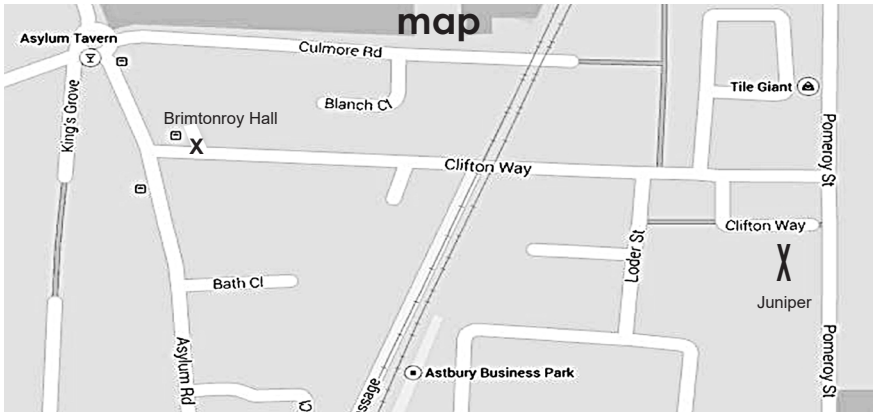
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MEETING 4

Thursday 7.30pm. November 2nd

Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Rd. SE15 2RQ

All Residents Welcome



Juniper (mini) Barbecue

Sunset • Garden • November 6th

Bring Food and Home Comforts

Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association. Minutes, Meeting 2. Thursday 7.30pm. 3/9/2015

present: Coralie Allison 16. Karl Bolingbroke 23. Tim Burrow 13. Kirsten Dunham 60. Graham Ett 24. Minnie Evans 64. Paul Hood 73. Aftab Hussain 70. Tracey Hussain 70. Maureen Ismay 4. Rob Kenyon (secretary) 32. Daniel Lehan 66. Tanya Murat (Southwark Defend Council Housing). Claire Phillips (treasurer) 60. Greg Robbins (We Support Housing). Fay Roberts 33. Cat Sidney 64. Jackie Wilford (chair) 14.

1. APOLOGIES: Sirena Simon. Nick Cattermole.

2. MINUTES APPROVED

3. FINANCE - HANDOVER ISSUES

Greg Robbins from **We Support Housing**

• The meeting was reminded that as a Tenants and Residents Association (TRA) meeting it could not take decisions on behalf of the Juniper House Cooperative (JHC).

• Greg reported that the Financial Conduct Authority and/or the Mutuals Society need to approve transfer of funds from Juniper House Cooperative to Juniper House TRA.

The basic alternatives are:

a) Keep JHC in operation and use it to support Juniper TRA. But this would mean another layer of administration, and damaging accountancy costs.

b) Wind up JHC, and approach FCA/MS for permission to transfer funds to JHTRA on community grounds.
In which event, clearly budgeted community projects must be in place to prevent administrative expenses. Graham also suggested keeping JHC to fund projects until it becomes insolvent.

RK – JHC Annual General Meeting needed soon..

GR – JHC can subsidise TRA activities where the project is for the community (eg summer seaside trip).

TH- We need to know implications of Savill report before deciding on appropriate group funding.

Action. Proposal (chair) To maintain status quo and call AGM for JHC: Approved unanimously 12/0.

CP to informally approach Financial Conduct Authority with situation and report back.

4. SAVILL REPORT IMPLICATIONS

Guest speaker: Tanya Murat from **Southwark Defend Council Housing.**

SDCH have been challenging Southwark housing policy throughout the borough for many years.

• The meeting was informed that there were 'trust issues' with the council, especially since its failure to meet its rehousing commitments on the Heygate and Aylesbury regenerations.

• **Savill** are the LBS agents used to survey its housing stock for a range of actions. Their system rates estates 1-4 according to '**sustainability**', based on various factors including the 'social and economic performance of the neighbourhood'. And also the '**NPV**' (Net Present Value), crudely, the cost of maintenance minus rental income. A high score (1) secures investment, a low score (4) could mean demolition. Juniper has scored 4.

Savill Options

a) Investment in the estate (regeneration and improvement)

b) Redevelopment – that is either renewal (partial redevelopment) or demolition (partial or whole).

• LBS will have decided their option(s) and will present only these to residents before 'consultations'.

• If Redevelopment is proposed, demand a ballot. Below 50% vote for renewal should mean no LBS action.

• The Savill system is questionable since it is purely profit-driven.

• The report has stated that the findings do not support any wholescale demolition of estates. But given its low Savill rating, all options are open for Juniper House.

• **Advice: Info at 35% campaign**. **www.35percent.org/blog • SDCH. www.defendcouncilhousing.org.uk**

• **Form a strong TRA**. and form contacts **with** other organisations across London.

• **Meetings**: **Defend Council Housing 29.9.15**. TRA hall, ground floor Thompson House. Beckway st off East Street. (last Thursday of the month). **National Housing Conference 10.10.15.**

ISSUES ARISING, AND DISCUSSION

a) The council does not expect to make a profit out of council housing. Brimmington estate had similar fears as JH but are just about to get new interiors.

b) What is the structural state of Juniper House, and is its market value likely to go up or down?

c) What is the likelyhood that leaseholders will be hit with massive fees in the event of substantial regeneration?

d) TB – Ballots. If estate is transfered to alternative landlord then ballot is statutory, but not so with complete demolition. Currently 70 housing estates threatened with demolition have no right to ballot.

GR There is a legal framework for ballots under existing legislation and the **Homes and Communities Agency** regulatory standards. The details need further investigation.

e) TB. Juniper has suffered years of neglect, which will effect valuations.

TM – The Aylesbury demolition decision caused value of leasehold property to plummet. Leaseholders need to fight for most recent pre-announcement value to be the basis of any settlement.

f) RK. Cllr Fiona Colley has generally backed the idea that the purpose of Savill is to assist with efficient and timely spending on necessary works. While stating that the main decisions would be taken at the Housing Cabinet meeting in October, for final approval in March 2016. She recommends involvement in the consulatations. The implication would seem to be that the scaffolding on Juniper will still be in there in the Spring. And that if it does go, we can be more hopeful for the future.

g) FR. It is also important to remember that we must also be concerned with improving the quality of life at Juniper in order to help save the block.

Action: Proposal ***'The meeting approves the formation of a Juniper Conservation Group to investigate and discuss in detail issues effecting the future of Juniper House and its development, and report back to committee.'***
proposed JW. seconded RK. **Approved** 15 for 1 abstained. 1 against.
Suggested use of email for working group , and email updates to wider residency. Forward enquiries to Rob (sec.junipertra@gmail.com).

5. MATTERS ARISING

a. Bonfire Night November 5th

We are not allowed to have a proper bonfire, but a barbeque is possible - weather permitting. People should bring family-friendly fireworks, food, music, stories, poetry, magic tricks... Meet under central lampost in garden.

b. Storage Space

DIY materials, timber,building materials and other sundries to be recycled from flat 30A. Please help yourselves. Call at flat 32 for access. **Action**: Proposal for workday. Proposed Chair. Agreed unanimously

c. Statement of Principle for JTRA. Agreed unanimously.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

a) Reports of mice in flats, and rats in the grounds. Rats are proof that drains are in serious disrepair. Consensus to report sightings as block action.

b) Security issue: inappropriate behaviour reported in stairwells reported involving sex and drugs.

c) Flat 68- knocking pipes.

d) Bike Shed. TB – original model unsuitable for uneven ground. Adjustable design to be used.

e) Garden. The meeting was sympathetic to the idea of a Gardening Group to co-ordinate projects and monitor the grounds for problems before they become serious. **Action.** Secretary to approach LBS . Social media and email to be also used to share information.

f) Clarification from chair on new JTRA Facebook Page and Group.

g) KB Ballcourt. Mears say everything possible has been done to fix ballcourt. Grant needed to repair. Possibility of meetingless online fund-raising group. Chair to forward LBS funding info to CA.

7. NEXT MEETING

October 1st. Brimtonroy Hall. 7.30pm.

juniper conservation group

Along with the rest of Southwark's housing stock, Juniper has been assessed by property agents Savill to assess its financial viability. Juniper has not rated highly (4) which could have serious implications for all.

As a result, the TRA meeting on September 3rd established a **Juniper Conservation Group** to *"investigate and discuss in detail issues effecting the future of Juniper House and its development, and report back to committee."* All residents interested in becoming active on this group please contact the secretary, flat 32 (Rob), email sec.junipertra@gmail.com, or visit the facebook group www.facebook.com/groups/juniperSE14.

The next meeting of Defend Council Housing is 7.30. September 29th. TRA hall, ground floor Thompson House. Beckway st off East Street. (last Thursday of the month).

savill explained

According to '35% Campaign' (www.35percent.org/blog 18/07/2015)

The Savill method "lumps together stock condition and maintenance costs with socio-economic measurements such as income levels and educational attainment, to give each council estate a rating.

These two sets of measurements are described as **Net Present Value** (NPV - crudely: the cost of upkeep against rental income) and '**Sustainability**', which it defines as the 'social and economic performance of the neighbourhood'. The social and economic indicators include, amongst other things how poor people are, how healthy they are, how many are jobless, how many claim benefits and how much crime and anti-social behaviour there is. Sustainability is measured entirely in socio-economic terms; it includes no environmental factors.

All estates then fall into one of four categories. (Below) A future course of action is prescribed for each."

Savill Rating	Course of Action
1) Above Average NPV & Above Average Sustainability	Regular Investment.
2) Below Average NPV & Above Average Sustainability	Small scale redevelopment or regeneration
3) Above Average NPV & Below Average Sustainability	Asset investment/community initiatives
4) Below Average NPV & Below Average Sustainability	"Widest range of options"

free stuff

There is still a wide choice of DIY materials and fittings available on demand. It would also be great if two or three people could help clear and renovate the space for use as the TRA office/meeting room. Please contact Rob flat 32

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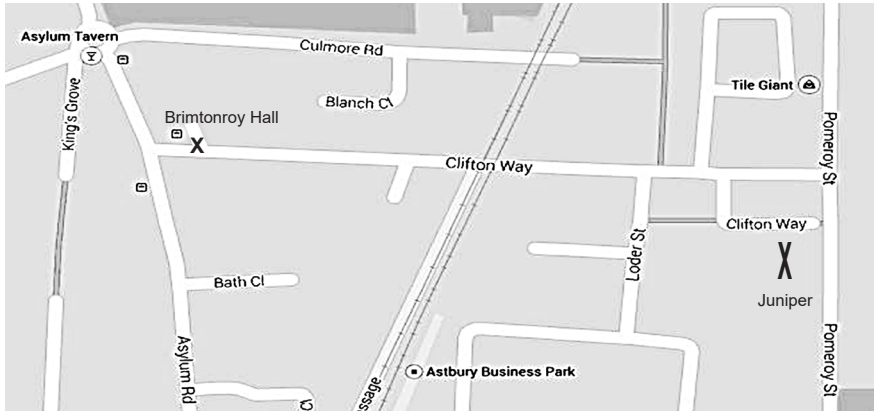
MEETING 3

Thursday 7.30pm. October 1st

Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Rd. SE15 2RQ

All Residents Welcome

Brimtonroy Tenants' Hall. Culmore Road/Clifton Way



Juniper Barbecue

Sunset • Garden • November 5th

Food • Fireworks

juniper among the bottom 80 LBS estates

Several residents have written to express concern over Southwark Council's plans for Juniper's future, and the results of the 'Savill Process' which evaluates the 'sustainability' of estates. (see text of letter below.) They request that the matter be placed on the agenda of the next meeting.

The 'Viability Assessment' of an estate is a calculation of the costs of regeneration against the predicted financial return to rate the 'sustainabity' of an estate on a scale of 1 -4 (low).

According to Southwark News, Juniper's rating is 4, along with 80 other estates, including neighbouring Pomeroy estate and some of the biggest estates in London. (see Southwark News link).

LBS claim the the Savill process is intended to target spending. We have been offered assurances by LBS about the future of Juniper House in the past, however, the continued delay over major works hardly confirms them.

According to LBS Southwark's cabinet member for housing Richard Livingstone, the Savill ratings are merely "an indication of where higher levels of investment are needed in the buildings alone, to make sure they are up to the standards of quality our residents deserve. .. Even then they are only a starting point and we will continue to have further conversations with local tenants and homeowners about what they think needs to be done to enhance their estate, and work with them to make sure they have the best housing possible."

In which case works to Juniper balconies and the facade should be starting soon. Please come to the meeting next week to learn more.

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Southwark News: **www.southwarknews.co.uk/news/your-home-is-worth-less-than-nothing**
Also more here: **www.35percent.org/blog/2015/07/18/all-is-to-be-revealed/**

To Juniper House TRA

14 Aug 2015

We have become aware of the Saviles list which includes Juniper House and the neighbouring Brimmington estate and see that you have mentioned this in your newsletter

We would request that an initial discussion of this issue be included as an agenda item at the 3rd September meeting and that members be advised of this

We have been offered the support of the Southwark Defend Council Housing Group(no political affiliation) and would like with your permission to invite either Sean or Fred from the group to provide residents with a little deeper information at this meeting.

While we understand that no irrevocable decisions have yet been made, we consider it most advisable to begin organising and preparing our response . We would respectfully urge that you initiate discussion within Juniper house as soon as possible.

At the meeting we would like to discuss ways of informing all residents of the present state of play – if this should involve any additional cost for printing materials etc to the TRA please be advised that a certain amount of funding is available

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Thursday 7.30pm. 3/9/2015. Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ

1. Apologies

2. Approval of Minutes

3. Finance
Greg Robbins of WeSupport Housing to advise on options for transition from Co-op to TRA.

4. Juniper Savill 'Sustainability Rating' and implications.
Guest speakers.

proposal:
'The meeting approves the formation of a **Juniper Conservation Group** to investigate and discuss in detail issues effecting the future of Juniper House and its development, and report back to committee.'
proposed Jackie Wilford. seconded Rob Kenyon.

5. Matters Arising from Last Meeting

a) Bonfire Night
b) Storage Space Action
c) Draft Statement of Principle: (to be included in consitution)

'Juniper House Tenants & Residents Association should attempt to be as inclusive and open as possible in all its operations, and to provide opportunities for residents to participate by sharing their interests and skills.'

6. Other Business

7. Date of Next Meeting

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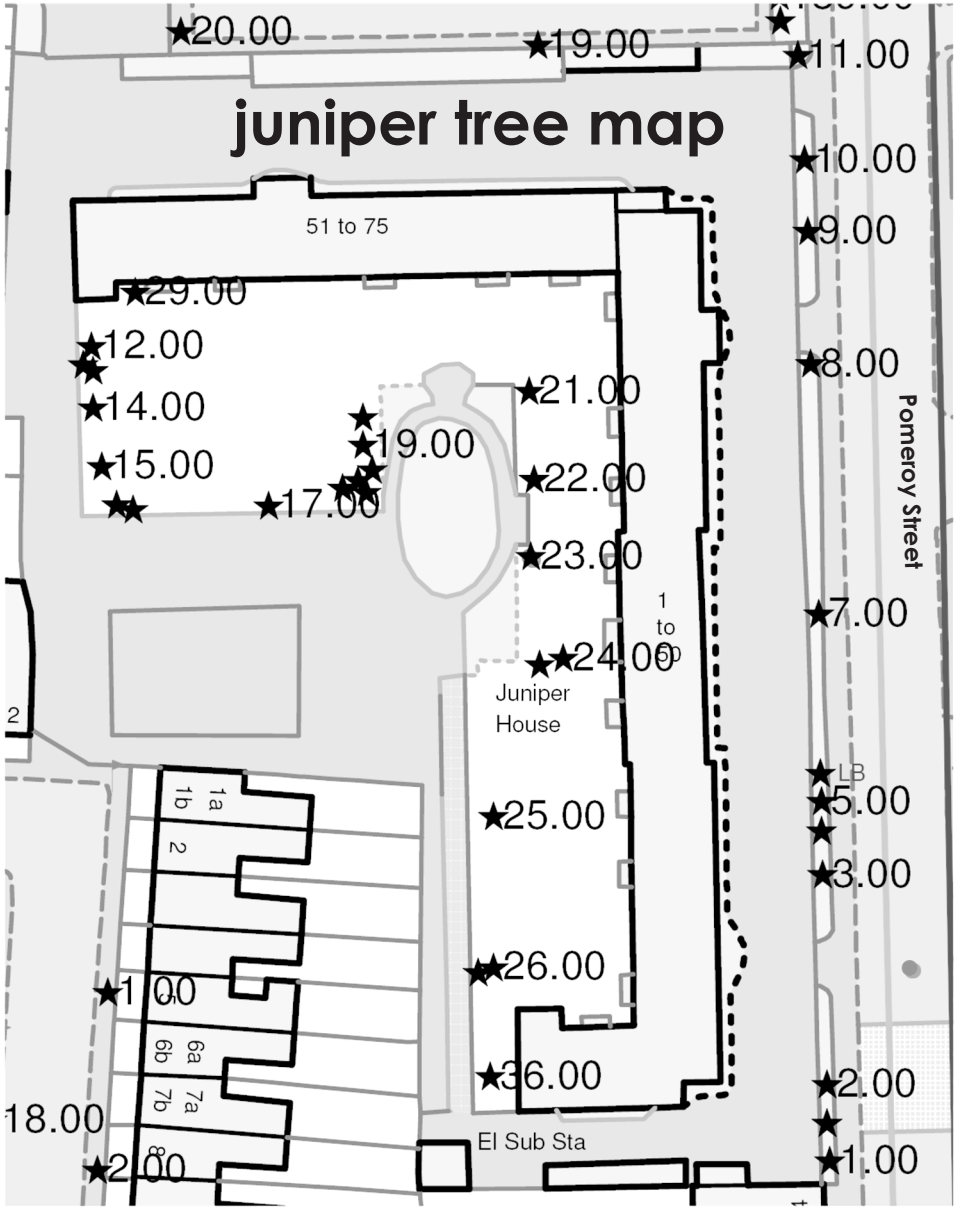
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1. Wild Cherry (Prunus avium)
2. Whitebeam (Sorbus aria)
3. Silver-Leaved Pear (Pyrus salicifolia)
5. Mixed Species
7. Wild Cherry (Prunus avium)
8. Common Ash (Fraxinus excelsior)
9. Whitebeam (Sorbus aria)
10. Flowering Cherry (Prunus spp)
11. Flowering Cherry (Prunus spp)
12. Field Maple (Acer campestre)
14. False Acacia (Robinia pseudoacacia)
15. Balsam Poplar (Populus balsamifera)
17. Cherry Plum (Prunus cerasifera)
19. Field Maple (Acer campestre)
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21. Elderberry (Sambucus nigra)
22. Common Ash (Fraxinus excelsior)
23. Hawthorn (Crataegus monogyna)
24. Yew (Taxus baccata)
25. Turkey Oak (Quercus cerris)
26. Silver Birch (Betula pendula)
29. Cherry Plum (Prunus cerasifera)
36. White Mulberry (Morus alba)

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MEETING 2

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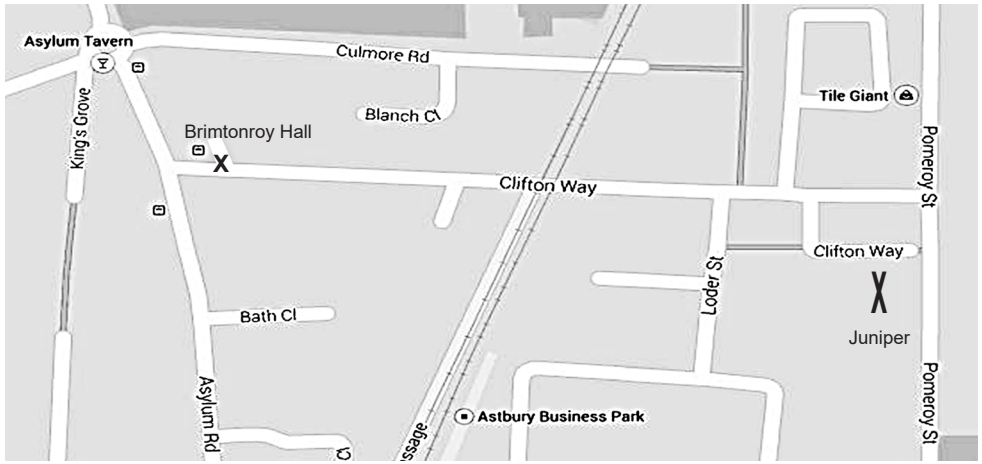
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Guest Speakers

All Residents Welcome

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Juniper TRA Meeting 1 Provisional Minutes

Thursday 7.30pm. 9/7/2015. Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ

present: Coralie Allison 16. Karl Bolingbroke 23. Kirsten Dunham 60. Brendan Gillen LBS. Maureen Ismay 4. Rob Kenyon (secretary) 32. Claire Phillips (treasurer) 60. Jackie Wilford (chair) 14.

1. Apologies
Paul Hood, Kirsten Johnson, Nick Cattermole, Tim Burrow.

2. Approval of Minutes of Inaugural Meeting
The minutes were approved as a true record.

3. Initial Aims and Objectives
Clarifications.
a) Brendan confirmed that the required quorum for Juniper TRA committee meetings was four.
b) The meeting felt that the initial statement of principle should go beyond the obligations of the Constitution, and should place emphasis on increasing community involvement by providing residents with levels of participation which would not overtax their family and work commitments, and which would allow them to exploit and share their skills and interests.
c) Sub-committees ('Groups') were felt to be important in this respect, and also as a means of increasing the efficiency and productivity of committee and general meetings.
d) The structure and procedure of sub-committees is defined in the Constitution.
Action A Statement of Principle expressing this approach to be drafted by committee members and circulated before the next meeting. (Committee)

4. Constitution and Procedures
a) The constution agreed at the Inaugural Meeting was formally signed by the chair and secretary.
b) Constututional amendment procedures were clarified by BG. And located within The Constitution itself. The TRA may amend the model, provided the essential TRA obligations are still met.
c) Contrary to sections of the constitution, membership fees and cards are not required.
Action a) Constitution to be archived and a copy to be forwarded to BG. (secretary).
b) Brendan to forward copy of Code of Conduct At Meetings document.

5. Ways Forward
a) The meeting felt that it was important to contact other TRA's and local groups, including the Southwark Group of Tenants Organisation.
b) It was not felt that all details needed to be finalised at this stage, and that the need to refine procedures, structures and principles would become clearer with time.
Action a) TRA publicity material to include a balanced summary of involvement in group work. (secretary)

6. Finance Report
In the absence of any Juniper House TRA accounts or funds, there was no TRA finance report.
However there was detailed discussion of the best means to utilise funds available from Juniper House Cooperative Ltd, which is still a legal entity.
Action The meeting authorised a consultation between officers of the TRA, Juniper Cooperative Ltd and Greg Robbins of WeSupport Housing to discuss options and procedures. (secretary)

7. 'Ideas For Year Ahead'
It was felt that it was too late now to organise a summer event, and so the effort should go into Bonfire Night.
Action Interested committee members to liaise between meetings to plan and calculate budget for Bonfire Night.

8. Other Business
Tim Burrows was congratulated for his bikeshed initiative.
Concern had been raised in writing regarding the probability of the sheds being used to climb the party wall with Astbury Road. It was pointed out that those climbing the wall now were not going to be deterred by the resiting of the sheds elsewhere.
Action The situation to be monitored for possible problems. (All committe members)
b) Funds for motor-cycle security systems to also be investigated. (secretary)

9. Next Meeting
WeSupport Housing to be invited to the next committe meeting, and the date to be dependent on availability of Greg Robbins.
Action Secretary to source dates from Greg and circulate among committee members.

group involvement

One of the easiest ways to get involved is via a **group** which specialises in something you know about. Or which you are interested in. The idea is value the skills of people who choose to get involved, and to not to waste their time.
Groups are essential in providing informed, considered information to general meetings, and in making concrete proposals for action based on detailed discussion, saving time and allowing the Association to make informed decisions.
Such groups provide a skill-sharing environment where members can learn basic trade terms and practices from those more expert within the group.
Most of all, groups act to encourage ideas, improvisation, contact and community spirit.

a typical list of groups might be...

1. Building & Maintenance - Monitoring stock condition and reporting faults to LBS.

2. Finance - Managing accounts of the organisation, providing support for the treasurer and fundraising.

3. Social - Work on publicity, events, website design, skill-share and environmental initiatives - or just plain fun.

4. Garden Group - Co-ordinate ideas for the garden space and borders, and monitor for problems. Liaise with LBS ground team.

Meetings would typically be once every other month for about two hours. A group can run effectively on 3 members, but the more the merrier.
The internet now makes participation easier than in the past.
Please feel free to use our Facebook group: www.facebook.com/groups/juniperSE14
or comment on the website: www.junipercommunity.wordpress.com

storage - free stuff

Juniper TRA now has access to the store cupboard on the ground floor next to flat 30. This will be very useful space for our papers and equpment, but at the moment it is crammed with a variety of building materials, electrical fittings, glass, wood, paint and masses fo other useful stuff in good condition which will have to be dumped unless anyone wants it. So if you want to help yourself, make an appointment on: 0207 732 8493 • sec.junipertra@gmail.com or call at number 32

bonfire night

Juniper's first big event as a TRA will be bright, loud, tasty and hot.
With fireworks food and a bonfire (council permitting).
If that sounds like fun to help organise, please contact:
0207 732 8493. email sec.junipertra@gmail.com or call at number 32

We also **urgently** need ideas for Juniper community projects.
Now is the time to make your dream come true.

how juniper's 'viability' is assessed

The 'Viability Assessment' of an estate is a calculation of the estimated costs of regeneration weighed against the predicted financial return.
The system, overseen for LBS by property consultant Savill's, lumps together stock condition and maintenance costs with socio-economic measurements to rate the 'sustainabity' of an estate on the NPV (Net Present Value) scale (1-4).
A future course of action is prescribed for each level of sustainability.
see more here:
http://35percent.org/blog/2015/07/18/all-is-to-be-revealed/

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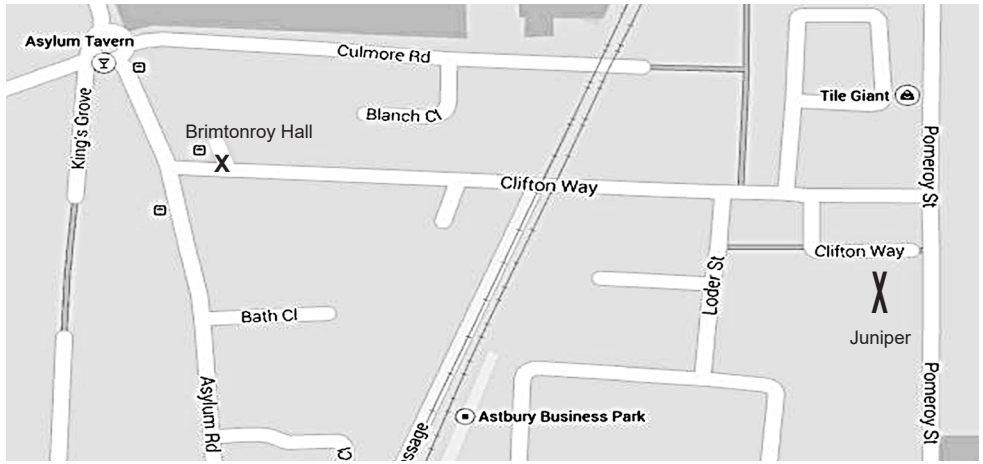
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Juniper Inaugural TRA Meeting Minutes

Thursday 7.30pm. 25/6/2015. Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ

Present

Brendan Gillen LBS. Cllr Sandra Rhule. Mustapha Semanda LBS. Natasha Meroni 13. Karl Bolingbroke 18. Alimat Lawson 23. Jackie Wilford 14. Rob Kenyon 32. Claire Phillips 60. Kirsten Dunham 60. Paul Hood 73. Coralie Allison 16. Nick Cattermole 71. Maureen Ismay 4.

Apologies

Serena Simon. Tim Burrows.

Introduction

Brendan Gillen (LBS) informed the meeting of the procedural requirements of a TRA, gave a brief summary of the constitution, the duties of elected officers, and explained that the election of officers was the only stage needed to form the association.
The respective roles and powers of the committee and general meeting were dicussed.

Election of Officers

The following residents were unanimously elected as officers of Juniper TRA
Chair. Jackie Wilford. (proposed R. Kenyon. seconded C. Phillips.)
Vice-Chair. Paul Hood. (proposed R. Kenyon. seconded J Wilford.)
Treasurer. Claire Phillips. (proposed Kirsten Dunham. seconded J Wilford.)
Secretary. Rob Kenyon. (proposed Kirsten Dunham . seconded C. Phillips.)
Coralie Allison, Nick Cattermole and Maureen Ismay were elected as committee members.

Adoption of Model Constitution

The meeting unanimously voted to accept the model constitution. (10/11

Appointment of Auditor

Southwark Group of Tenants Organisation are to be contaqcted regarding free accountancy services.

'Ideas For Year Ahead'

The practicalities of summer events to be discussed at the first TRA meeting.
Various funding sources available.
Storage space for the TRA is a matter of urgency, and the unused corner groundfloor room (30A) was discussed.

Next Meeting

July 9. 7.30. Brimtonroy TH.

Juniper House TRA Agenda Meeting 1

Thursday 7.30pm. 9/7/2015. Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ

1. Apologies

2. Approval of Minutes of Inaugural Meeting

3. Initial Aims and Objectives

4. Constitution and Procedures

5. Ways Forward

6. Finance Report

7. 'Ideas For Year Ahead'

8. Other Business

9. Next Meeting

This is the first agenda of the TRA.
It is open to suggestions for improvement at the meeting.

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From 'What is a T.R.A.?' By London Borough of Southwark

What is a Tenant & Resident Association?
A Tenant & Resident Association (T&RA) is a group of tenants or residents who have got together from an area because they want to raise issues that affect them. Both tenants and leaseholders get involved in Tenant & Resident Associations and may call themselves "Residents Association". In this note Tenant & Resident Association covers all types of association.

Tenant & Resident Associations are concerned about :
Repairs, Rents, Future improvements, Council policies, Harassment, Housing Management, Play facilities, Car parking, Dogs, Play groups, Reducing isolation, Meeting other tenants groups, Day trips, Socials, Education, Youth activities and much more .....

Why should I get involved in, or start, a Tenant & Resident Association?
As a tenant or resident you probably have many concerns about your flat or house, your estate, your landlord or the Council. As one person it is hard to put forward your views.

Does Southwark encourage Tenant & Resident Associations?
Tenant & Resident Associations are one of the main ways in which the Council consults its tenants on anything which is likely to affect them. The Council supports Associations with grants, training and a Community Engagement Team. Council tenants have a legal right to be consulted on certain changes of policy or practice, or when the Council plans to carry out work.

What do Tenant & Resident Associations do?
Tenant & Resident Associations start up because of a particular issue that tenants or residents feel strongly about and want action over.

1. Campaigning
Most Tenant & Resident Associations campaign for repairs or other improvements to be done. Campaigning can achieve real changes for your area. Associations may also campaign on community issues.

2. Consultation and Participation
Tenant & Resident Associations get involved in the formation of Council policies by attending Area Housing Forums or by sending a group of tenants to meet with Councillors or Council staff (this is called a deputation). Associations also meet with Housing Officers when work is planned on their estate or block

3. Social Activities
Tenant & Resident Associations also run many social activities like children's parties, day trips, bingo, coffee mornings, keep fit etc. It is up to each Association what activities it runs - some run campaigns and social events.

4. Information
Tenant & Resident Associations are a good source of information for tenants. The Association receives Council papers and newsletters regularly and should be notified of work being carried out on the estate before it takes place. The Association Committee may have had training on Council structures, complaints procedures etc., and may also send out its own newsletter.

5. Building the Community
Tenant & Resident Associations are part of creating a strong community spirit. People living on the same street or block soon get to know each other. The Association may run events such as a children's club or keep fit. The Association should also take up problems of discrimination and help tenants who have language difficulties so that everyone from every section of the community is involved.

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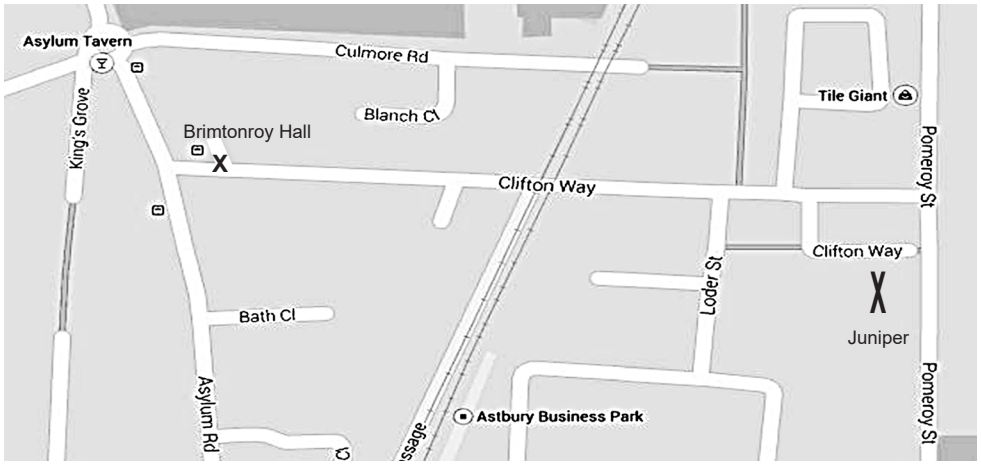
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Juniper Repairs Action Group Minutes

Thursday 7.30pm. 28/5/2015. Brimtonroy Hall, Culmore Road. SE15 2RQ

Present

Jacki Wilford. Claire Phillips. Coralie Allison. Tim Burrow (minutes). Nick Cattermole. Maureen Ismay. Rob Kenyon. Cynthia Wheeler. Frankie Alum. Sandra Rhule (LBS) (temporay chair). Dave Lee (LBS). Brendan Gillen (LBS)

Apologies

Serena Simon. Karl Bollingbroke. Kirsten Dunham.

Repairs

BALCONIES (Private rear balconies only): Sections of steel do not have expansion joints to allow for differential movement. 4 Balconies have been tested. 3 sets of results are in and DL (LBS) is awaiting the final set.
DL (LBS) confirmed that balconies are deemed as part of the structure so cost will be split equally across the block irrespective of whether the flats have balconies or not. DL (LBS) was working under the assumption that all the problematic balconies were currently scaffolded however Residents pointed out that they had concerns about their own balconies which were not scaffolded. JW (flat 14) has a gap between the front wall of the balcony and the main balcony structure.
Doubts over the completeness of the initial survey.

• CHIMNEY: There is loose lead on the chimney. DL (LBS) to inspect.

• ROOF: DL (LBS) have inspected and signed off works to install Ubiflex to replace stolen lead. NC (flat 71) said that he did not believe that the problem has been fully resolved as he still experiences extreme dampness in his internal walls. Technical officer has tested walls and claimed this is condensation but this is disputed due to the severity. Roof can be accessed near flat 24.

TB said that LBS answered a Freedom of Information request to say that there had not been a claim on the buildings insurance for Juniper House.

• GLAZING IN FRONT OF STAIR CORES: Residents raised concerns over the condition of the glazing at the front of the block. Has this ever been maintained? DL and SR (LBS) said that they would check when windows were up for cyclical works. TB pointed out that these were not standard windows serving individual flats - does such a non-standard item come under cyclical works?

• ASPHALT ON WALKWAYS: Residents pointed out that this was disintegrating and causing water ingress to some flats. DL and SR (LBS) to check when this is up for cyclical renewal.

• CONDITION SURVEY: Justin Hall (LBS) had previously suggested that there would be a full condition survey. DL (LBS) said he was not aware of any such survey being arranged - to be confirmed.

• DRAINS: LBS have organised for the drains near flat 53 to be jetted. Residents requested that this was extended to all drains as the problem is block-wide.

TRA

AUDITING REQUIREMENTS: TRAs do need to be audited but this can be done by SGTO free.

• BENEFITS: £1200/yr minimum funding for TRAs. MI said that she had visited another TRA who had been very successful in securing significant funding for various projects.

• COOP ACCOUNT: The residents wished to know if the remaining funds from the Juniper House Cooperative Account could be transferred to the TRA. BG (LBS) to check how this might work.

• INITIAL TRA MEETING AND VOTE: It was unanimously agreed that we would proceed with the plan to call the initial meeting on **25th June 2015 at 7:30pm. 10 attendees will be required** for the meeting to be quorate. Plus there would need to be people willing to fill the 4 core positions of Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.
Brendan Gillen (LBS) will post promotional material to all the residents.

• VENUE: BG (LBS) will talk to the Brimtonroy TRA to see if they will support another TRA by offering their facilities free.

Cycle Storage

TB has applied to LBS to have bicycle lockers installed within the grounds of Juniper House. A few potential locations have been identified. These will be discussed with the Neighbourhood Officer and then sent to the block residents in the form of a consultation letter. Residents will be able to vote on the proposal and also put their name down for a locker should they want one.

Juniper House Cooperative Signage

TB suggested that it might be a good idea to replace the Juniper House Cooperative signs with normal Southwark signs. This was generally supported although it was asked that the bespoke deigned JHC signs are kept for posterity. This is something that the TRA can pick up once formed.

Garden issues

The tree near to flat 55 needs to be pruned as it is growing too close to the building.

AOB

SOCIAL IDEAS FOR THE SUMMER: CA would like to organise a summer activity day for the children in the block - perhaps with tents in the back garden. This was supported. It was mentioned that CB (not present at the meeting) was hoping to organise a BBQ for all residents. This was also supported.

window frame season

Get your wooden window frames painted as soon as possible. They have not been serviced for many years and are in a poor state. Those which get the most sun are in the worst condition. One flat was done last week, and was completed efficiently and to a high standard.

According to the worker, the job was done just in time. Another winter might mean replacement. In time rotten frames will make the double glazing useless, and let in damp to the walls which will run into the flat below, which unless you live on the top floor is you.

LBS says it will respond to all individual reports. And the service in this case was excellent, except for the fact that the resident had no idea the job had been scheduled.

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planning applications pomeroy street

Large residential developments are planned for 47-49 and 29 Pomeroy Street (Brittania). The applications are still open to consultation.

The impact on traffic congestion does not seem to have been considered.

29 is at present used for licensed commercial parking. This development will put those vehicles back on Pomeroy Street, further narrowing it and hampering the emergency services, and driving pollution levels higher.

How does Lewisham intend to mitigate these effects? Will it work with Southwark to manage parking on Pomeroy Street? What would you suggest?

The application is open for comment and objections until June 25th.
www.planning-lewisham.gov.uk/online-applications • Refs: DC/15/91890 • DC/15/91987

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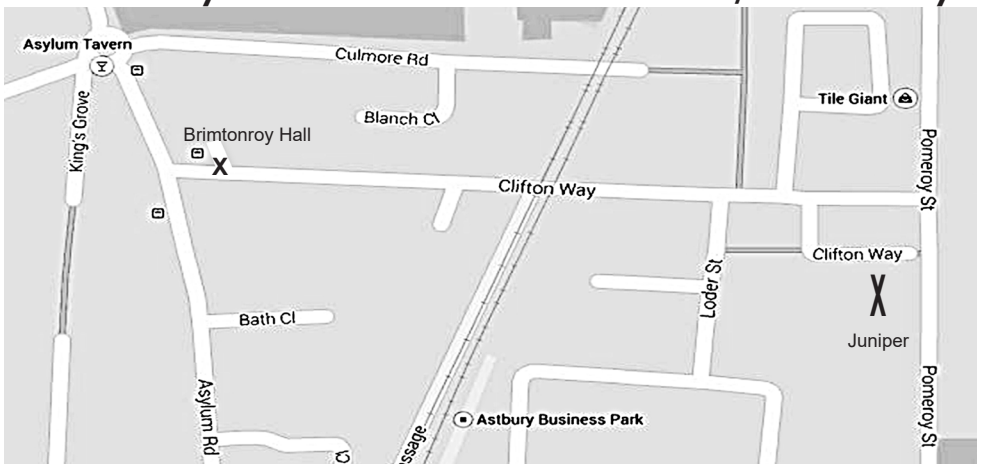
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Decision Day • Come and Vote For or Against

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Facebook Group
www.facebook.com/groups/juniperSE14

To share information, promote your business, swap and give away stuff, discuss Juniper issues and ideas, display pictures, tell stories .. Open to present and past Juniper residents. (10 members and growing)

Facebook Page
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Main Facebook noticeboard for events and online archive of minutes. Plus full discussion, photos, videos, etc...

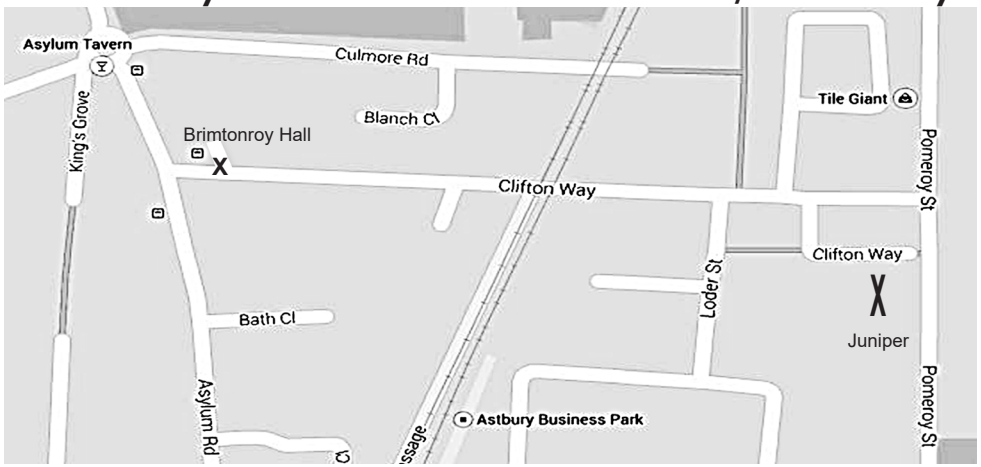
Forum
www.junipertalk.proboards.com
Dedicated forum with different topic areas.

Blog
www.junipercommunity.wordpress.com
General noticeboard for Juniper news, meetings minutes and history, with comments. All contributions welcome from residents.
No registration needed.

Participate, hear the latest news, and have a say about Juniper House in comfort. For those not keen on Facebook membership, the blog allows comments, and the Forum is open for all kinds of discussion.
If you find that work and family limit the time you can devote to meetings, social media are one way of both offering opinions and information, contributing to valuable discussions, and adding to the general sense of community.
Hopefully, social media could even reduce the importance of meetings, or at least make them more productive.

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Provisional Agenda

Juniper Action Group
Thursday 7.30pm. 28 May 2015.

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1. Apologies & Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Suggestions for amendments to agenda
4. Tenant and Residents Association proposal
5. Repairs Business
6. Update on storage space
7. Garden Issues
8. Other Business
9. Next Meeting

Long-standing repairs problems can be reported to this meeting under Repairs Business.

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• With the summer holidays near, now is the time to begin organising events and activities. Please bring ideas and suggestions to the meeting for discussion under Other Business.

• The Scaffold Mystery is still unsolved. LBS representatives should be able to offer some solutions.

• Rosemary, mint, coriander, thyme and basil now doing well in the herb garden (behind flat 1). By the end of June they should be ready for snipping. Please snip considerately.

• Help urgently needed to weed the woods, and also to deal with the Sycamore epidemic in the grounds. Great exercise. Please contact Rob, flat 32.

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BACK ON TRACK

Many residents were confused about the meeting called by London Borough of Southwark for **May 18th** to decide the future of Juniper House. In the event, the meeting was inquorate, and members of **LBS Community Engagement Division** have agreed to attend our planned meeting on **May 28th** to answer questions related to Tenant and Resident Associations. (TRA's). This meeting will be the one which decides whether there is a viable group of Juniper residents interested in forming a TRA, and also to measure possible interest in becoming officers (Chair, vice chair, secretary, treasurer).

This meeting will not make us a TRA, but without it, we cannot move to the next stage of becoming one. LBS officials will be present to clarify the duties of TRA officers.

If the results are positive, an official LBS-overseen **Inaugural Meeting** could take place towards the end of **June**. If that meeting votes in favour, and officers are elected, Juniper would be a recognised TRA.

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The meeting on the **28th May** (this Thursday) will also discuss outstanding repairs issues and other business (see proposed agenda inside). Repairs Coordinator, Justin Hall has agreed to attend, along with local councillor Sandra Rhule. Meeting of the year so far, without doubt. Your presence will make a real difference.

Juniper Repairs Action Group Minutes

Thursday 7.30pm. 19/04.2015. Brimmington Hall, Clifton Way

1. Present.
Fay Roberts, Karl Bolingbroke, Maureen Ismay, Tim Robbins.

2. Apologies
Jackie Wilford, Coralie Alison, Kirsten Dunham, Nick Cattermole, Sandra Rhule.

3. Approval of Minutes & Matters Arising
Minutes of last meeting approved as a true record.

Block walkaround proposed to compile a database of repairs and reports, especially on the top and ground floors to monitor problems with the roof and drains.
Karl, Maureen and Fay to conduct survey. Rob to provide forms.

4. Roof and Repairs update
Tim has made four Freedom of Information Requests. The first has been answered with information on the following:
a) The number of reports of leaks related to the building structure (not burst pipes etc.) made to the repairs department over the last 3 years and also the dates on which these reports were made.
*List of reports provided

b) Information on the decision taken by the council on whether to fix the communal roof at Juniper House, what the proscribed repair entails, when this decision was taken and when this repair is due to be carried out by?
* No decision taken

We are waiting for information on the following requests:

• 'Please can you provide information as to whether London Borough of Southwark made a claim on the building insurance policy for Juniper House related to the theft of lead from the roof? This may have happened at any time starting from 2007/2008 up to the present day.'

• 'Please can you tell me when the roof at Juniper House was last replaced?'

• 'Please could you explain why Juniper House, Pomeroy Street, SE14 5BY was not selected for inclusion in the Warm Dry Safe programme of works in London Borough of Southwark? What criteria did properties need to meet? On what grounds did Juniper House not meet these criteria?'

Sandra Rhule has also put in a member enquiry on the repair to the roof.

Tim plans to put in a further request for repair reports relating to a longer period to get back to the source of the issue. We should also collect other types of reports made other than those made through the repairs team (emails, letters, etc).

LBS (Gary Glover) have arranged for a full survey of the block.
LBS (Justin Hall) also state that they repaired the roof in May 2014 - replacing the missing lead with a synthetic alternative called UBIFLEX, They point to the fact that there has been no report of leaks on their repairs software (iworld) since Feb 2014 and therefore they believe the issue is solved.

If residents are still suffering from leaks they are advised to contact the repairs department - they may also like to let the residents group know.
Prompt and persistent reporting of faults by all effected residents was important.

5. Drains
Presumably the problems with the drains will be exposed by the imminent survey. But LBS does need to be reminded that there has been no signigifant maintenance of the drains for many years, in spite of repeated complaints.

Both the forecourt junctions and the downpipes must need urgent attention, since the forecourt floods during heavy rain, and drainage regularly backs up from the blockages into sinks and baths as high as the 2nd floor.
Karl to photograph cracks and leaks near drains.

6. Access to stores and flat 1 for recovery of co-op property and mail.
LBS still refuses to allow us to recover Juniper property from flat 1, or help us with storage of archives and equipment.
Further enquiries to be made.

7. Treasurer Report
Permission was sought to employ CW Tax ltd as accountants for the years 2013/14-2014/15.
Expenditure authorised.
Further quotes to be sought for future work.

8. TRA feedback
TRA status was felt to be desirable, and that clarification be sought as soon as possible as to the way forward.

9. Next Meeting
The next meeting was set for May 8th. (see note).
After consultation, the meeting will now be held on 28th May.

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ESTATE WALKABOUT MAY 28

The following issues were snagged and reported for assessment.

• Forecourt cracks and water main
Leaks from the mains at the north gate are being patched, but the cause of the repeated breaks needs to be remedied.

• Drains
Several forecourt drains are severely blocked, causing pooling, and backing up of domestic outlets.

• Top floor walkway cracks
Water has been reported through the top floor walkway on the northern side. Several cracks and blisters to rendering can be seen. The top asphalt seems to be largely sound...

• Deterioration of facade asphalt, ironwork and front gates
Ashpalt on flat surfaces requires servicing and re-treating with reflective coating. Staircase metalwork needs de-rusting and reglazing where necessary. Likewise the fencing and gates.

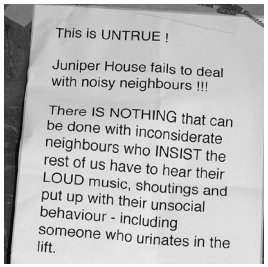
• Football Cage
The bolts retaining the corner stanchion of the cage have sheared. The cage is now completely unusable and requires reconstruction. The need for this to happen before the Summer holidays was stressed.

• Corner Store
Negotiations are under way to establish whether the corner unit on the ground floor is suitable for storage of Juniper documents and equipment. Access to be sought.

• Tree surgery flats 55/60/65 and 33/38
Work was recommended on 2 trees likely to be a serious problem soon. The need for more extensive reduction work for next year was discussed.

Walkabouts

Last Tuesday of the month. 11.30am (approx) at Juniper House.
Residents Services Officer Mustapaha Semanda and David Lea (Communal Repairs Officer)
Residents are welcome to attend.



'This is UNTRUE !
Juniper House fails to deal with noisy neighbours!!!
There is nothing that can be done with inconsiderate neighbours who INSIST the rest of us have to hear their LOUD music, shoutings, and put up with their unsocial behaviour - including someone who urinates in the lift.'

Another Disclaimer

Some residents have assumed that the printed notice posted near the southern stairwell was the responsibility of the Action Group. This is not so.
Nevertheless it raises issues worth addressing. Firstly, that at present 'Juniper House' is incapable of any action. LBS is the first port of call now for all complaints. The **Noise Related Anti Social Behaviour** team runs a 24 hour service. telephone: **020 7525 5777**. Please share your experiences of this service at the next meeting.
All we can do collectively at present is to encourage residents to act considerately, which also means tolerating a certain amount of natural household noise. Juniper House was not designed with today's audio systems in mind, but did assume that neighbours would know each other, which would naturally encourage consideration. The better you know your neighbour, the quieter they are.

This poster prompted a response comparing Juniper to a 'morgue', and asked for a more vibrant community. There is no reason why the hopes of both posters cannot be granted. In fact, one probably depends on the other.

All residents who want to make a point are welcome to submit up to 200 words to the newsletter. Post through flat 32, email gardenshed@india.com or post on www.facebook.com/groups/juniperSE14

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LATE NEWS

Top of the agenda for the May 28 meeting (above) was to have been a proposal to find out if residents wanted Juniper to become a Tenants and Residents Association. As you will have seen from the pack which came through your door last Friday, LBS seems to have anticipated any formal decision by residents by issuing notice for an Inaugural Meeting on May 18th.
This is very puzzling, since the Action Group had agreed the date and purpose of the May 28th meeting with local councillor Sandra Rhule, and LBS repairs officers.
A rough date in the last week of June was proposed as a possible time for the TRA Inaugural Meeting - if approved on May 28th.
LBS Community Engagement Division was also informed of this schedule, but sems to have acted unilaterally. The Action Group accepts no responsibility for this development, even though the group has been generally in favour of forming a TRA. No proposal has been presented to or voted on by a meeting of Juniper residents, as formally required.
Our local councillor is hoping to clarify this during the forthcoming week. Notice for this meeting has come too late for several of those enthusiastic about forming a TRA to attend. We have also been told that it is not standard LBS practice to have a postal ballot. That attendance is required. Since elections are on the agenda, that means that several people who might be expected to stand will be absent. On the face of it, not the slickest way to form a TRA.
Hopefully this confusion can be resolved soon

Roof News

As those living on the top floor know, roof is in urgent need of attention, mainly due to the theft of the lead over 5 years ago. We have been told that some work has been done, but there are still serious problems, and progress seems to be partly stalled over the matter of insurance liability.
LBS claim that the crime was not reported to them by Juniper House TMO, and so cannot claim the insurance. Juniper records seem to contradict this version of events, with accounts of various visits by named LBS officers, after reports made by Juniper close to the time of the theft.
LBS officers have been contacted with the evidence, and their insurance section is now investigating. Presumably, when this is cleared up, work can start.

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T.R.A?

The Southwark website says it recognises **Tenant & Resident Associations** which have rules and regulations set out in writing (a Constitution). And that Associations must elect residents as Chair, Secretary and Treasurer plus general committee members to run the Association, and have an equal opportunities policy. Associations should also have meetings open to all their tenants, and keep proper financial accounts.
In return, TRAs are offered financial support, formal recognition of proposals and ideas, and more control over their estates. Should we become a TRA? Please come to the meeting on Thursday 19th to voice your opinion.

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Garden News

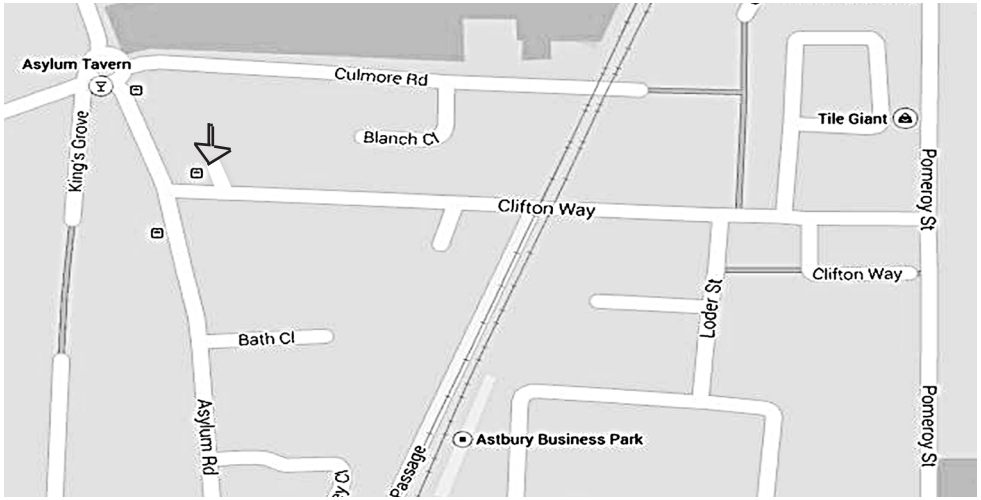
We have been given the green light by local councillors to start reclaiming the derelict area near flat 1. We also have freedom to weed the wooded area. Together, these sites offer enough scope for a range of projects which could involve all skill-levels and ages, making the garden more interesting for residents, and more welcoming to wildlife. Work has started already to prepare soil and clear weeds, but extra hands are needed.
Southwark ground team have long been interested in working with residents to create a more varied garden. They merely need clear direction which represents the agreed ideas of residents. Which only a properly constituted group can provide.
For a community resource which all residents are entitled to enjoy, the garden is now sadly underused. And any initiative to revive it can only come from us since Southwark's resources are limited to basic groundskeeping. Another reason for a Gardening Group is that the better we care for the garden, the more likely we are to keep it, which is not guranteed.
Anyone with green fingers please contact Rob. flat 32.

Provisional Agenda

Juniper Repairs Action Group

Thursday 7.30pm. March 19 Brimmington Hall, Clifton Way

1. Apologies & Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Suggestions for amendments to agenda
4. Roof and Repairs update
5. Drains
6. Access to stores and flat 1 for recovery of co-op property and mail.
7. Treasurer Report
8. TRA feedback
9. Development of Group
10. Garden Issues
11. Other Business
12. Next Meeting



summer events and projects

Juniper is in a position to fund limited projects for residents, including kids playschemes, barbeques, and trips for the summer. Any ideas will need to be submitted to a General Meeting in a few months. So please start planning now.
To qualify for funding, projects must be open to all Juniper residents.

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NEWS
BLOCK SURVEY

After requests from the Action Group, Southwark has informed us that there will be a full survey as part of the major/capital works program. This will reveal the repairs needed on the block.
There will be a consultation process, which will need as much information from residents as possible.
This Thursday's meeting of the Action Group would be an ideal place to begin collecting major faults. If you have any concerns about the state of the block, or long term issues with your flat, please come to the meeting.
Local councillor Sandra Rhule has offered to help.

Minutes

Juniper House Community Repairs Action Group. Brimmington Tenants' Hall. 7.30pm 22/1/2015.

Present

Coralie Allison, Tim Burrow, Kirsten Dunham, Maureen Ismay, Rob Kenyon (treasurer), Fay Roberts, Jaki Wilford.
Julian Adams (book keeper), Brendan Gillen (Capacity and Partnerships Officer, LBS), Sandra Rhule (Ward Councillor)

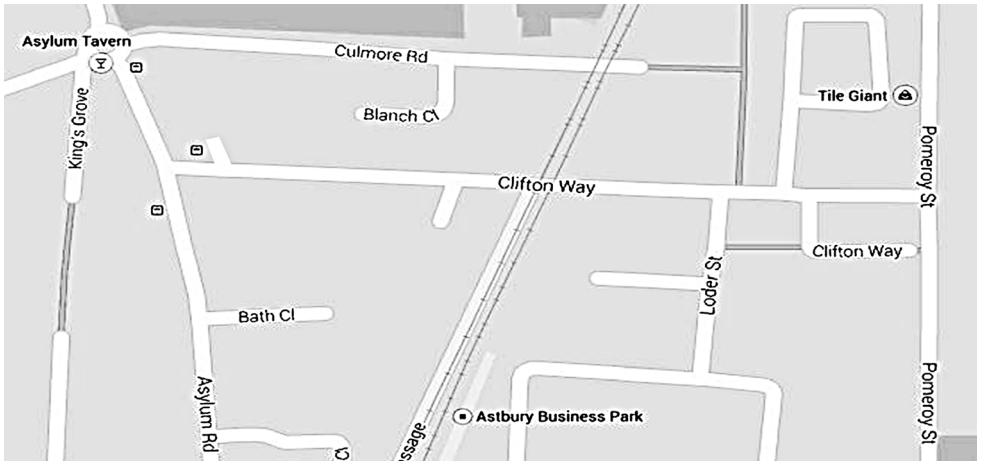
1. Introductory Discussion and Chairing
LBS representatives were informed of the general level of involvement at Juniper and what might be realistic targets to aim for.
On behalf of LBS, Brendan Gillen expressed the hope that we would become a Tenants and Residents Assocation, and that his department would do all they could to help if that was the decision of the residents.
Rob Kenyon was elected chair for the meeting.

2. Repairs Issues
• Tim expressed the opinion that the block was in need of a full survey of its physical condition, with a view to costing works.
• Sandra took the opportunity to inform the meeting that LBS budget for Juniper repairs had been in limbo since the end of the TMO a year ago.
Clarification was requested as soon as possible.
• Sandra also offered to chase up a list of chronic repairs issues, or reports of possibly serious problems which residents might spot at an early stage.
• The meeting was invited to provide an initial list of urgent issues, which included: the state of the drains; the continuing damp from the roof; the lack of action on the numerous cracks to balconies and walls; the purpose of the scaffolding and its planned use/removal; the need for various trees to be reduced as soon as possble; and the problem of absentee landlords who cause flooding to flats below.
Further additions to follow as reported.
• Sandra also reported that the roof, balcony cracks and scaffolding were discussed at LBS management level, and will return with their decision.

3. Information on LBS Tenant & Resident Association Scheme
Brendan distributed information on the scheme, and reasserted its benefits, stating that funding was available for projects by individuals as well as organisations.
Juniper could choose to become a TRA, which would provide formal recognition.
• Coralie and Jackie stated that they were also interested in creating a community as well as increasing the efficiency of LBS repairs system. And that if residents were able to organise informally at a basic level, then the prospects of generating enough interest in becoming a TRA would be improved.
It was felt that with a little freedom to act on its own initiative with the resoucres available, tangible results might be produced which demonstrated the benefits of community action.
• Julian suggested that a core initial group would be enough to begin the process of starting a TRA.
• Kirsten expressed the opinion that many residents were deterred by LBS structures, and previous experience with LBS. And that management-led organisations had not been the best way to organise in the past.
• Julian pointed out that TRA's were ruled by general meetings, not a central committee.
• The meeting was informed of the fact that when the TMO was dissolved, officers of LBS attended and provided full information on TRA's, and that the option was rejected at the time.
• The meeting was agreed that new ways should be found to encourage involvement. With Maureen stressing the need to achieve recognition by LBS as soon as possible.
• Rob observed that simple, achievable projects would be a practical way to start building involvement.
• To clarify the attitude of LBS, Sandra was asked if there would be any objections to residents planting some herbs in the now bare ground behind flat 1, and indicated that she had none.

4. Next meeting
Called for March 19th 2015 at Brimmington Hall

5. Contacts
Tim agreed to collect and circulate an e-mail list of all present.



monthly estate inspections

Tuesday February 24th

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tenant and resident associations

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Brendan Gillen, (Capacity and Partnerships Officer) is prepared to meet with residents to answer any questions.

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roof decision soon

Local councillor Sandra Rhule informed the February Repairs Action Group that Juniper maintenance was discussed by LBS housing management in December, including the urgent faults to the roof and balconies. The actions are to be announced soon by LBS Repairs Coordinator, **Justin Hall**.
Sandra was given first-hand accounts of problems experienced by residents, and is investigating the timeframe for the repairs. The meeting pointed out that we need some reassurance that effective action will be taken soon.
Sandra offered to chase up a list of chronic repairs issues, or potentially serious problems which residents might spot at an early stage.
The state of the drains, the damp from the roof, the cracks to balconies and walls, and the future of the scaffolding were agreed as top priorities.
(see minutes inside)

budget confusion

The meeting was also shocked to hear that the LBS budget for Juniper repairs had been in administrative limbo since the end of the TMO a year ago. In other words, Juniper House is owed a year's repairs.
Clarification was requested as soon as possible.

news + information

Repairs Procedures

• Initially contact the repairs team on: 08009524444 or 02075252600.

• Tenants who report repairs should ask for job numbers to help with any later enquiries about delays.

• If the job is not done, then tenants should contact the Repairs Coordinator, Justin Hall, on 0207 525 3705 and also inform Resident Services Officer, Mustapha Semanda.

• If none of the above work, tenants can contact the Repairs Manager Gary Glover on 020 7525 3093.

• Tenants can send repair complaints to: complaints@southwark.gov.uk

• Mustapha Semanda also offers to visit disabled and vulnerable tenants and report their repairs, especially those without internet access, or other communication problems. Also, to report repairs during tenancy checks.

Repairs Issues Involving Home Owners

Home Ownership Unit: 020 7525 1400

email: hsg.homeownership@southwark.gov.uk

Community Status

Brendan Gillen (Capacity and Partnerships Officer of London Borough of Southwark) and Ms Olubukola Jackson (Tenant and Resident Organisation Officer) have been contacted regarding our status as an organisation, and how to proceed. A response is expected soon.

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Block Cleaning

Cleaning Team Leader Raymond can be contacted on 020 7525 3826 in regards to any cleaning issues on the block.
If issues are not resolved, report to Mustapha

Access

Residents have been asked show consideration, and ensure that walkways be kept free of undue obstructions.

Social Media Juniper

It's not the answer to everything, but for busy people with limited time (or mobility) it offers a very useful way to organise, keep each other informed, and exchange ideas. If used imaginatively it could make participation easier.
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Anti-Social Behaviour

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xmas drama!

Emergency services were called at 3am Christmas Day to a fire on the block.

A neighbour heard the smoke alarm, and on seeing smoke pouring from the open kitchen window, dialled 999.

The fire service forced an entry and rescued the unconscious resident, suffering from smoke-inhalation.

Oxygen was administered and he recovered in approximately 10 minutes. The fire was caused by a neglected pan of rice on the hob.

It would seem that the person concerned was quite lucky.

Fire alarms do sometimes tirgger inconveniently, at the slightest smell of toast. But they are obviously essential and should not be ignored.

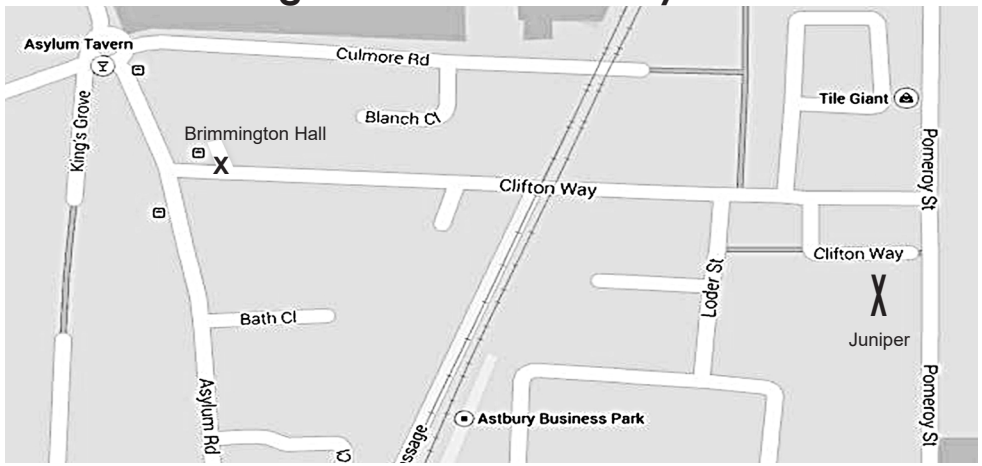
free computer gear

Classic Apple computers. Once top of range, now a little outdated for the internet, and therefore ideal for homework. Interesting tools installed.
Also peripherals: keyboard, printer, scanner, cables.
Plus full CCTV system and monitor.
please collect. Flat 32. 0207 732 8493

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- And meet new people -



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Minutes

General Meeting of Juniper House Cooperative Ltd. Brimmington Tenants' Hall. 7.30pm 4/12/2014.

Present

Julian Adams (book keeper), Coralie Allison, Karl Bolingbroke, Tim Burrow, Nick Cattermole (chair), Kirsten Dunham, Maureen Ismay Rob Kenyon (treasurer), Saffi Koroma, Uvi Orogumu, Greg Robbins ('We Support Housing'), Fay Roberts, Jaki Wilford.
Apologies: Sirena Simon, Minnie, Doris.

1. New circumstances and general update.

Juniper requires a new accountant, more appropriate to our new status. Nick Cattermole and Jaki Wilford offered to consult their own accountants for quotes. On arrival, Greg referred back to the available Southwark Group of Tents Organisations advice.
Jaki and Rob are new cheque signatories. Fay Roberts also agreed to become a third. [action Rob K]. Four signatories is customary.

2. Future of the block.

• Some residents had serious concerns about LBS intentions for Juniper House, given their record of sometimes preferring demolition to renovation, and the general pressures of the housing market. Genuine clarification from LBS was felt necessary.

• Residents also thought it important that in future, the level of individual involvement should be sustainable, that people should know what they were getting involved in and be able to participate on their own terms, and in areas which best shared their interests and skills.

• It was felt that the primary role of any residents organisation should be to work to hold LBS to its agreement on all counts. But it was also felt that it should also try to encourage contact and co-operation between residents, and enable residents to use their imaginations and creativity for the communal benefit. Thereby helping create the level of involvement needed to fulfil the primary role.

• Karl, Tim, Jaki and Faye agreed to help distribute information and to talk to residents about whether they would like to share their experiences, and work with others. All volunteers welcome.

3. Change of title and status.

The meeting was informed by Julian that there was no administrative need to change status unless advised by accountant. We may, though, like to consider a shift of image or identity.
The possibility was again raised of becoming a fully-fledged Tenants & Residents Association, but this was felt to be impractical at this stage.

4. Proposals for action, and use of Juniper Surplus

Specific attention was drawn to the urgent action required on the roof. After some discussion a proposal was agreed to the following effect:

That a Repair Action Meeting be held in the 3rd week of January for all residents to report concerns over repairs, and to begin efforts to improve overall service.
Date to be confirmed after consultation with LBS officials and councillors.

• The idea was also raised of establishing a permanent core group which could act with the authority of the Residents in dealing with LBS officers; to provide constant monitoring of all maintenance issues; and to help get domestic repairs done faster and to a higher standard.

5. Membership drive.

Saffi Koroma, Uvi Orogumu and Tim Burrows were accepted as members. Subscriptions paid to Julian with authorised documentation.

Any Other Business

• Opinions were expressed over possible ways of preventing anti-social behaviour on the block, and its causes. Future discussion between residents and LBS are clearly indicated, with a view to emphasising the residents' responsibiities under the Tenancy/Leaseholder Agreement.
• Security concerns were raised in the light of recent break-ins and reports of drug paraphernalia on staircases. These issues clearly highlight why Juniper needs to liaise more closely and collectively with LBS and other bodies
• SUSTRAN were suggested as a source of funding for cycle storage. Which raised the issue of fundraising in general. A dedicated group might be possible, and definitely desirable.

6. Date of Next Meeting.

Repairs Action Group for late January to be announced as soon as possible. The meeting was advised by Julian that an Annual General Meeting was not urgently required.

Skill Census

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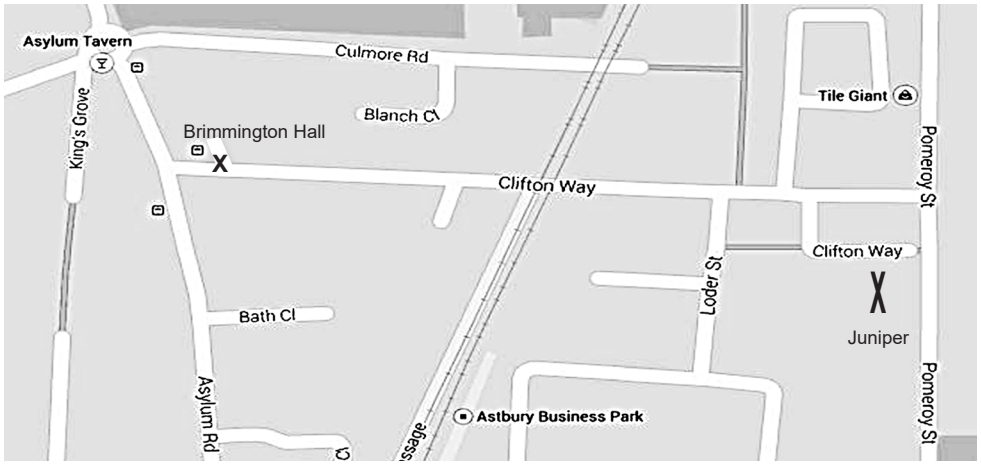
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JUNIPER HOUSE

COMMUNITY NEWS[2]

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Juniper Repairs Action Group

1st Meeting

7.30pm. 22 January

Brimmington Hall, Clifton Way.

To discuss repairs problems, to identify urgent priorities, decide on courses of action. If you have any repairs issues please come to this event to share experiences and ideas.



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For Discussion with LBS

Issues to be clarified

• Local councillors have been in support of Juniper residents using flat 1 for occasional meetings and events. It is hoped to use it for the November General meeting.

• The LBS line at present is that they are unable to offer us any support, or consider any suggestions from Juniper House until we have a formal organisation taking decisions.

• We are advised that we need to make a choice of accountants before moving on.

• There are financial issues from the past which still have to be resolved, and which will require a full administrative team to authorise.

• There are still hangovers from the old system, including 2nd Bedroom Charge rebates not paid from the obsolete Juniper TMO account to the active LBS account. If you were eligible for the rebate please check your rent statements for credits of the full amount due.

• LBS garden team have been personally very sympathetic to positive approaches made by residents to help target problem areas and suggest cost-free, creative initiatives which might help generate community involvement. LBS Management need to be acquainted with the spirit of these requests.

• Several trees need surgery this autumn. And some in neighbouring gardens need to be felled soon to avoid future structural damage to LBS property.

• New residents, and those still unacquainted with Juniper politics and history have shown a degree of interest which justifies some optimism. But they are naturally only interested in realistic levels of commitment.

Natural Involvement

One of the easiest ways to get involved is via a **group** which specialises in something you might have expertise in. Or which you are interested in learning about. Involvement does not mean becoming an unpaid bureacrat.
The administrative role of groups or sub-committees is to provide informed information to meetings, and to make concrete proposals for action based on their discussions.
Such groups provide a skill-sharing environment where members can learn basic trade terms and practices from those more expert within the group.
Most of all, groups act to encourage ideas, improvisation, contact and community spirit.

Open Day 27th July

Suggestions from the Event

by Paul Dixon, John Harty, Rob Kenyon, Cherrie Stevens, Jackie Wilford
Greg Robbins. (We Support Housing Ltd)

• Greg reported that the **Juniper Surplus** cannot be divided between the membership, but can be spent with formal approval.

• The administrative loose ends of Juniper House TMO should be tied up by the end of September, including any outstanding payments, and changes in tax status, leaving Juniper House Cooperative Ltd to operate under the old rules.

• Advice and thoughts on daytrips and other events. In Greg's experience, a tolerant policy towards friends and guests pays off in generating interest for future events, and forming contacts.

• Social media are an important tool in creating awareness and allowing easier discussion.
Hopefully, those unable to attend meeting would be able to contribute to the discussions in advance. or even live online. Ideas and insights could be posted for group inspection prior to meetings, at everyone's convenience.

• Inquiries to be made to Community Engagement Team and Area Housing about renting flat 1 for classes, group discussions, etc.

• Also access to be sought to staircase display cabinets and help with photocopying and other basics.

• The need to start a new residents organisation almost from scratch with a different identity.

Other issues raised

• Role of residents in fault-finding and early reporting of problems to LBS.

• The possibility was discussed of specialist sub-groups to advise residents and LBS on their areas of expertise, and to formulate considered proposals for action to be presented for approval by General Meeting. The duties of officers to be reduced as much as possible.

A Natural List of Groups Might Be...

1. Building & Maintenance - monitoring and reporting faults before LBS. Gardening and the Juniper social spaces.

2. Finance - managing accounts of the organisation - not the estate.

3. Social - including publicity, events, website and social-media management, skill-share and recycling initiatives.

4. Development - including fundraising, networking, social networking.

The internet now makes participation easier than in the past. Meetings would typically be once a month for about two hours. A group can run effectively on 3 members, but the more the merrier.

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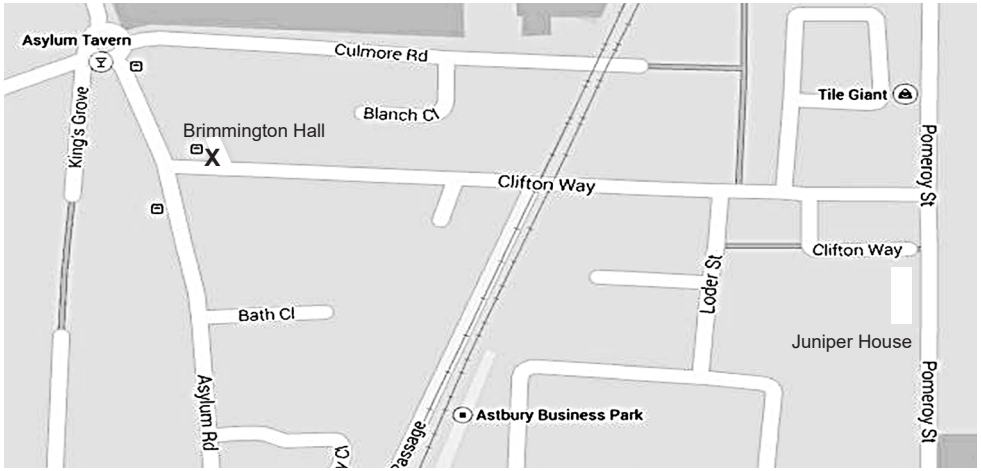
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COMMUNITY NEWS[1]

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General Meeting of Juniper House Cooperative Ltd
Thursday December 4th. 7.30pm

At Brimmington Tenant's Hall. Asylum Road. (5 minutes walk)
(see map on back page)

All Residents are invited to discuss future options for the block, and the actions needed to secure it.
Please forward any proposals to Flat 32 as soon as possible

Agenda

1. Clarification of new circumstances and general update.
2. Change of title and status.
3. Proposals for action, and use of Juniper Surplus:
(i) To investigate the possibilities of commissioning a stock survey of the block to establish expenditure required for regeneration and preservation.
4. Repairs Forum. Report and share advice on repairs issues effecting you.
5. Membership drive.
6. Date of Next Meetings.

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