Homes for All

Open Campaign Meeting, 23rd June

Notes and Action Points

1. Local Campaign Updates

Tanya (Southwark) updated on Ledbury campaign against demolition, which has won some important concessions from the council, with relevance for what’s happening at Broadwater Farm (Haringey) and other estates with Large Panel System construction. “Up the Elephant” campaign is holding a protest before planning committee - 3rd July, 5.30pm at Southwark Council offices, 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH.

Glyn and John (Tower Hamlets) reported on strike by workers at Tower Hamlets Community Housing.

Ruth and Morag (Islington) reported that campaign to keep Holloway prison site in public hands has resolved to “up the ante”, including re-launching on-line petition. Also informed that Rydon (cladding contractor at Grenfell) have been forced out of contract at Wittington Hospital.

1. Sadiq Khan and “council housing”

**ACTION** agreed we need to produce a new leaflet countering the fake council housing claims (and updating on green paper, ballots etc.)

**ACTION** agreed to seek meeting with James Murray.

**ACTION** agreed we need to respond to Sadiq Khan’s policy document (link below). Paul Burnham to be asked to lead.

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1. Labour Party Green Paper

Despite “consultation fatigue”, very important that as many individuals and groups respond to the (apparently open ended) consultation, ideally before the end of July.

**ACTION** agreed we issue a Press Release with the H4A response.

**ACTION** people encouraged to submit articles, letters etc. expressing concern to local media.

**ACTION** possible subject for on-line petition.

1. Broadwater Farm demolition threat

Help needed urgently with delivering leaflets (contact Paul Burnham) and protest outside Haringey civic centre Tuesday 26th June, 5.30pm.

1. Homes for All screening of “Clockers”, 1pm 1st July, Genesis Cinema, Mile End (all proceeds to Justice for Grenfell). Facebook event below.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1814321505281015/>

1. London Renters Union members meeting, 4th July, 6.45pm, Durning Hall, London E7 9AB.
2. Council housing evidence session, House of Commons 9th July.

Delegations from local council tenant’s groups strongly encouraged. Contact jamie.sweeney@parliament.uk for full details and arrangements.

**ACTION** need to issue a Press Release.

1. Anti-Trump protest, 13th July, 2pm outside BBC

**ACTION** agreed to support and attend

1. Anti-Racism protest, 14th July, 2pm Whitehall

**ACTION** agreed to support and attend

1. AOB
* Richard (Bromley) raised growing importance of support for hoarders.
* Noted that H4A is discussing with others (particularly Fire Brigades Union) possibility of a “Safe Homes for All” summit in the autumn.
* Unite Community submission on LP green paper noted, but copy needed.
1. Date and Chair of next meeting

28th July, Paul Burnham to be asked to Chair.