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**St Leger Homes of Doncaster Limited**

**EAST AREA BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2007**

**Present**

Mr R Haldenby (Chair), Mr Charles Wyatt, Ms Lin Myers, Mr B Naughton, Cllr J Blackham, Cllr Ken Keegan, Cllr Mrs Moira Hood, Mr Steve Kimber, Dr Robert Allen

**In Attendance**

Paul Hopkinson, Judith Jones, Linda Milan, Shauna Brady, Maxine Newton.

	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>1. Apologies and Quorum</b>	
1.1 Apologies were received from Mr James Parkin, Mr V Lowe, Mr P Jackson and Rebecca Wilkie.	
1.2 It was noted that a quorum was present. The meeting was chaired by Roger Haldenby.	
<b>2. Declaration of interest by Area Board members</b>	
2.1 There were no declarations of interest at the meeting.	
<b>3. Minutes of previous meeting</b>	
3.1 The minutes of the East Area Board Meeting held on 8 January 2007 were agreed as a correct record.	
<b>4. Matters arising from the previous minutes</b>	
4.1 There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.	
<b>5. Nominations made to RSL's</b>	
5.1 Judith Jones gave a verbal report to the Area Board advising them that negotiations are continuing with DMBC to ensure that all agreed nomination rights from Registered Social Landlords are utilised. Once this had been established this would be monitored by SLHD. It was explained that with so many persons on the Housing Register it is vital to ensure that every opportunity to offer accommodation is used to benefit our customers.	

## 6. Evictions

6.1 Judith Jones presented a report to give the Board information regarding the number and reasons for evictions that have been carried out during the period beginning April 2006.

6.2 It was explained that this was the first time the information had been presented to the Area Board. The information will now be reported on a bi-monthly basis with additional statistical analysis.

6.3 **Members noted the contents of the report.**

## 7 Estate Improvement Fund

7.1 An updated Estate Improvement Fund document was tabled at the meeting.

7.2 The following comments were made:

**Item 4 Oldfield Lane** – the scheme information had now been obtained, but costings were unknown.

**Item 1 Intake** – Clarification was given that the painting and ceilings costs in total were £10k.

A decision was made not to implement community skips.

It was confirmed once costings were obtained for Oldfield Lane the remainder of the monies would be known. Members agreed that they were happy for the Chair to approve the spend for all of the projects and give the go ahead for work to commence based on costs and information received.

## 8 Any Other Business

8.1 One member raised concerns about the Kingsway Estate commenting on the length of time it was taking to carry out the work and the work method of demolishing the estate. Specific concerns were raised over fires started by youths, areas not banded off and properties not being systematically demolished.

**An update of the works was requested to be brought to the next Area Board Meeting.**

PH

8.2 **Garages – Malton Road** – a Member drew attention to a previous tenant who appeared to be deliberately blocking off the entrance to a number of the garages.

**An investigation into the matter was agreed.**

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| 8.3      | <p><b>Land - Wells Road Area</b> – a member raised that housing had been knocked down in this area, consultation had taken place and it had been decided that a play area would be built. Planning permission had been refused due to the proposed fencing and the sites were now being used to dump rubbish and were unsightly.</p> <p><b>An investigation to take place to find out what is happening with the land and provide a position statement.</b></p> | PH/JJ |
| 8.4      | <p>Members enquired if the Self Assessment document would be made available to members of the public. It was confirmed that the final version would be available on the website.</p> <p>Members asked for a copy of the final Self Assessment document to be distributed to the Area Boards.</p> <p><b>Final Self Assessment document to be sent out to Area Board Members either CD or paper copy.</b></p>   | TL    |
| 8.5      | <p>An enquiry was made as to whether SLHD had stopped renting garage plots, referring specifically to a tenant from Almond Ave, Armthorpe who had applied to rent a plot to erect a double garage. Members were advised that on some garage plots sites options appraisals had been conducted into their sustainability and this had led to a moratorium on lettings.</p> <p><b>SLHD to investigate and feedback to the Board.</b></p>                          | JJ    |
| <b>9</b> | <b>Date and Time of Next Meeting</b>  |       |
| 9.1      | Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2007.   |       |