



# Bancroft TMC Newsletter

## Dear Residents,

It is a relief to finally see the sun shining and our budding horticulturists are back in the communal garden though at the time of writing there are 3 spaces left. Please contact the office on 0207 265 8343 as it will be first come first serve.

We have decided to call a General Meeting for the evening of the 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018 and it is here you, the residents, decide on where you would like the TMC to spend extra monies on communal estate benefits. This does not attract a service charge, as it is from our own efficiency savings and deemed an estate goodwill gesture. This year we are looking to invest monies in areas such as bike shelters, improved lighting, gallows gates and planters.

The provision of CCTV on our estate is in a bad way to the extent it cannot be relied upon to carry out its duty. As a result, it is not protecting our interests when it comes to controlling menaces such as loitering of youth or fly tipping. The TMC has now instructed our Solicitors in this matter as LBTH have refused to listen to our concerns. To strengthen our case, we will be asking residents to help us by signing a petition. It is a similar situation with our border with Globe Road where a residential block of flats at 105 Globe Road is now an "Air bnb". Again our views here are being minimalised by LBTH and a second petition will ask that they must consider our wishes if they are making decisions about our land.

Bin collections for the houses and small blocks are changing so watch this space. For too many years, open top commercial paladins have been dotted on our estate as Veolia felt it was more convenient to pick up from one large bin rather than door step collection. The TMC stepped in when LBTH/Veolia

proposed to pick up bags from the floor outside the front gate on the street, something none of us want, and we have now secured paladins with our logo for all these properties.

Recently, there was a fire in a flat which led to the fire brigade evacuating those living in the block in the early hours of the morning. Finding out our residents were left in the cold we have now made arrangements for our compound to be accessible in times such as these. We would like to use this opportunity to remind residents to be more mindful and avoid obstructing communal walkways/landing as this could impede escape routes.

Finally, the TMC will be closed on Bank Holiday Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 and Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2018. If you have an emergency repairs during the weekend and the dates mentioned above, please contact Tower Hamlets on 0207 364 7070 / 0800 376 1637.

