

BANCROFT

TENANT MANAGEMENT CO-OPERATIVE

OUR HOMES OUR COMMUNITY

Newsletter October 2025

Dear Residents,

We are looking forward to moving back to our new office in Wickford Street however there is a delay due to not having appropriate internet connection for the office to function. We continue to seek your ideas for community activities which we can help organise. Please email us on enquiries@bancroftmc.org.uk or visit our website <https://bancroftmc.org.uk/community/> and complete the form with your ideas.

AGM

The AGM took place on 25th September at the Bethnal Green Library. We would like to thank all those who took the time to attend the meeting. The following residents were elected to the Management Committee to fill the vacancies this year.

- Abul Hasnath Choudhury – Wickford House
- Cy Logan – Sceptre House
- Nasima Patel – Winkworth Cottages

Fire Works

This time of the year traditionally fireworks are used, and everyone should be able to enjoy fireworks safely. However, we cannot stress enough the importance of using fireworks safely and being mindful of not compromising the health and safety of others around you.

Fireworks used irresponsibly, can cause damage to property, do significant harm to people and animals as well as pose a fire risk.

Please note, it is an offence to throw or set off any fireworks, including sparklers in or into any highway, street, thoroughfare, or public space.

If children are setting off fireworks, please ask them politely to stop or if you know their parent perhaps ask them to intervene.

If a local retailer is selling adult fireworks to people under 18, please report this to the Trading Standards at <https://www.londontradingstandards.org.uk/report-consumer-crime/>

If you are having an ongoing problem with people setting off fireworks or witness anyone misusing fireworks, please report this to the police here: <https://www.met.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/asb/asb/antisocial-behaviour/fireworks/>

For information on fire work safety please visit: www.london-fire.gov.uk/safety/fireworks

Condensation, Damp & Mould

During the colder months, most homes get small patches of mould. If the cause is left untreated mould can grow and spread very quickly.

Mould can be managed by reducing moisture in the air, ventilation, and heating. You will find some useful tips on the following link

https://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/lgnl/housing/Damp_and_mould.aspx.

The Government has introduced Awaab's law which means that social landlords must investigate significant hazards caused by mould or damp and all emergency hazards in your home and make them safe within set deadlines. For further information please visit

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/awaabs-law-guidance-for-tenants-in-social-housing/awaabs-law-guidance-for-tenants-in-social-housing#what-is-a-hazard>

If you are concerned about condensation, damp, or mould in your home, please contact us on 0207 265 8343 to arrange an inspection.

Better Bethnal Green (BBG) Funding

We have funding from BBG, the Mayor of London, Violence Reduction Unit to deliver activities for young women. We are looking to deliver a project/event in December. If you have any ideas or want to help plan the event, please contact us via email at enquiries@bamcroftmc.org.uk

Fire Risk

We have noticed recently residents are putting up clothes lines outside their front doors in the communal walkway. Please note, this is a fire hazard, and our Caretakers will remove them immediately.

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

We are working with stakeholders and have asked for additional patrols on the estate from Tower Hamlets Enforcement Officers.

When reporting an incident, it is helpful if you can identify the location ASB is taking place, the type of ASB, how many people involved, what time they arrive/leave and what they are doing. It is helpful if you can provide as much information as possible as this helps the ASB team to arrange patrols when the ASB is most likely to be occurring. Please be assured that any information you provide will remain confidential.

To report ASB please contact Tower Hamlets on **0207 364 5015**. If you witness drug related ASB please contact the Bethnal Green Safer Neighbourhood Team on **0208 721 2849**. Call **999** for serious crime and for less serious crime call **101**.

Out of Hours

During office closures and out of office hours please call
Tower Hamlets Out of Hours Service on:
0207 364 5015 / 0800 376 1637.