

Loud and Clear

June 2010

Pre Housing Board Newsletter

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Free Basic DIY

Free basic training was offered by Gosport Borough Council in conjunction with Connaught PLC.

Residents of Gosport Borough Council learnt how to carry out small but useful DIY jobs in their homes such as tiling, wallpapering, painting, how to unblock a sink or fixing shelves.

The half day workshops were held during April and were completely **free** to tenants of Gosport Borough Council. The workshops were held at the Connaught Depot in Wilmott Lane with transport to and from the depot provided.



Lynne Smith who attended the course said *"I really enjoyed the hands on aspect and feel more confident to tackle small jobs."*

If you are interested in attending a basic DIY course in the future please contact the Resident Involvement Team on 023 9254 5439 or free phone 0800 328 6958.



Housing Forum Summary

Housing Forum —Extraordinary Meeting—Summary held 1st March 2010



Please find below minutes following the Housing Forum Meeting held on Monday 1st March 2010.

Welcome and Introduction - Betty Beard welcomed guests and members.

Gosport and Lee-on-the-Solent in Bloom

Caroline Smith, Landscape Management Officer gave a presentation about the Gosport and Lee-on-the-Solent in Bloom and the South and South East In Bloom "It's Your Neighbourhood" competitions.

Housing Board Items

Angela Penfold, Principal Housing Officer gave an overview of the Board Reports that are went to Housing Board on Wednesday 3rd March:

- Housing Renewal Policy 2010-2011
- Housing Repairs Programme 2010-2011 and Asset Management Strategy
- Amendments to the Housing Forum Constitution
- Grants to External Bodies and Specific Schemes

Information Items

Training—The South Coast Training conference was held on Saturday 24th April.

Partnering Reports—Over cladding works and external painting are currently taking place in the Borough under the Planned Maintenance Programme.

Housing Services Inspections—Resident Involvement is likely to be the

next service to be inspected. Inspectors will be recruited in due course.

Gosport Resource Centre (GRC)—There are no updates.

Resident Involvement Projects—Sam Downing spoke to members about the projects that the Resident Involvement Team are working on:

- Energy Efficiency
- Garage Review
- Tenancy Agreement Review
- Seafield Consultation
- Franklin Road

Resident Approved Panel—All volunteers have completed their training and have started to review documents so that they can have the Resident Approved stamp prior to printing.

Any Other Business

A question was raised by a member who has recently received a consultation letter that has been sent out by Planning to advise residents of the application to lift the age restrictions in the area. Councillor Philpott explained about property designations.

Meeting Close

Betty Beard closed the meeting by thanking guests and invited questions.

The next Housing Forum will be held on Monday 14th June at the Town Hall from 6pm.

If you would like to come along please contact the Resident Involvement Team on 0800 328 6958

Housing Board Reports



Housing Board-16 June 2010

Title:	Lease of Land and Building for 12th Gosport Scouts, St Luke's Road
Purpose:	To seek Board approval for the surrender and grant of a lease of land and building to include additional land at St Luke's Road to the 12th Gosport Scout Group on the terms given.
Title:	Management of A2 Dominion Properties at Royal Clarence Yard
Purpose:	To seek Housing Board approval to provide tenancy management services with A2 Dominion of social housing properties that are planned to be developed by Berkeley Homes at sites known as C1 and C2 at Royal Clarence Yard.



The full Housing Board reports will be available on the Gosport Borough Council Website:

www.gosport.gov.uk/sections/democratic-services

Direct Debit Payments

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Don't forget, you can pay your rent by
Direct Debit!



Telephone the Income Recovery Team
for more information or for a

Direct Debit mandate

On **023 9254 5286**



Kinetics



Goodbye 1st Saxon Clenmay, Hello Kinetics!

If you have contacted our central heating contractors over the last few months, you might have noticed that instead of hearing “hello 1st Saxon Clenmay” you have been welcomed with “hello Kinetics”

This is because 1st Saxon Clenmay Ltd. has been taken over by the Kinetics Group. The staff who handle your day to day enquiries and carry out work for us remain the same as will the contact number **0800 917 8608**. There is also an alternative number, 0800 130 3106, if the first number is engaged.

Kinetics

Boxing for Beryton



Kids from the Beryton Road estate floated like butterflies and stung like bees during the Easter holidays after taking part in a boxing programme at Gosport Amateur Boxing Club.

The sessions were part funded by the Big Lottery Well Being Fund, which is aimed at developing healthier lifestyles for children. Tammy Kent from the Beryton Residents Association helped to organise the event, which ended with each child who attended being awarded with a certificate.



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Training Representatives



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Are you interested in training?

Gosport Borough Council has recognised the importance of providing quality training for residents. We are setting up a Resident Training Group to look at the training that we can offer to our residents.

If you are interested in becoming involved please contact the Resident Involvement Team on 023 9254 5439 or free phone 0800 328 6958



Housing Forum Tenant and Leaseholder Representatives

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If you have any comments to make, please telephone the Resident Involvement Team on free phone number 0800 328 6958 and they will contact your Housing Forum Representative on your behalf.

Blackthorn Drive Road Representative	Janne Carter
Beryton Road Residents Association	Tammy Kent
Braemar Road Representative	Brenda Leader
Gregson Avenue & Harris Road Representative	Annie Barnes
Skipper Way & Elmore Avenue Road Representative	Betty Beard
Revenge House Block Representative	Louie Sykes
Trinity Close Road Representative	Cheryl Phillips

The Resident Involvement Team can be contacted on free phone **0800 328 6958** or email **RIT@gosport.gov.uk**