

WELCOME TO THE FIRST NEWSLETTER FOR YORK WAY ESTATE CONSULTATION

This is the first newsletter to keep you up to date with resident consultation regarding the future of York Way Estate.

The City of London Corporation is reviewing all of their housing estates across London to see where they can provide additional housing to meet demand.

York Way Estate has been identified by the City Corporation as one of these estates where additional housing can be delivered. During this consultation, we want to work with you determine an agreed approach for future development.



What is this about?

The City Corporation is proposing to build new homes on York Way Estate and has received grant funding from the Greater London Authority to support this.

We want to work with you to understand how and where on the estate additional housing could be built, whether this is through building additional homes on vacant space or by extending the existing buildings.

This would also be an opportunity to respond to housing needs of existing residents and to potentially improve the community centre and play areas on the estate.

The agreed development approach will be influenced through consultation with residents, as it is important that any development benefits existing residents, and celebrates and respects the existing estate and community.



WHO IS INVOLVED?

The City Corporation has appointed community engagement specialists Soundings, to carry out the consultation. A programme of events and activities will be created to make sure that as residents and leaseholders, you help us determine how your estate grows.

Currently the consultation is in the very early stages, meaning that no plans have been made and no architects are involved. The aim of this consultation is to learn more about York Way Estate and its residents, identity your priorities and jointly develop a set of design principles for architects, based on your feedback.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 2019

UNDERSTANDING THE ESTATE

We will focus on understanding your situations and experiences of living on York Way Estate



OCTOBER - NOVEMBER 2019

DISCUSSING ADDITIONAL HOUSING

We will guide you through a range of options for how additional housing could look, and discuss what you think about these options



DECEMBER 2019

DEVELOPING DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Based on your feedback, together we will establish an agreed set of design principles and approach for future development

UNDERSTANDING YORK WAY ESTATE

We want to understand more about your experience of living on York Way Estate, and how additional housing could best be added on the estate in a way that benefits everyone, including both existing and new residents. Below are a range of topics we would like to discuss with you:



How and where could new homes be added in a way that is in keeping with the current estate?



Has your family grown or shrunk in size and could you be better accommodated?



Could this be enhanced in any way so it is more usable for all current and future estate residents?



Do you or your family have specific disability needs that could be better provided for?



Are there any maintenance concerns with the existing estate?



Does your family use the playground and could it be improved in any way?



Do you or your family use the basketball courts on the estate?



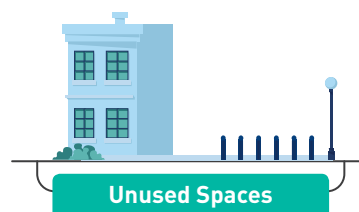
What walkways and routes around the estate do you use, and do they need improving?



Where are your favourite spaces to sit and relax around the estate?



What open green spaces do you enjoy spending time in and why?



Are there any unused spaces on the estate that could be better utilised?

HOW WILL WE CONSULT WITH YOU?

We acknowledge that this is an important conversation involving your future, so we will organise a range of different consultation meetings and activities that are flexible and work best for you, your needs and your schedules.

We want to make sure that the questions you have are answered throughout the consultation process, and that we develop solutions jointly with you before any final decisions are made.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Door Knocking Week of 12th August 2019

Our consultation team, with representatives from the City Corporation and Soundings, will be door knocking on the estate during the week of 12th August 2019 to introduce ourselves and hear any initial thoughts and questions you may have.

Site Research Week of 12th August 2019

The Soundings consultation team will be on the estate during the weeks of the 12th and 19th August 2019, carrying out observational research to understand how different spaces around the estate are used, so that we can discuss this more with you at the upcoming consultation events.

STAY IN TOUCH CONTACT US

If you have any questions or would like to hear more, feel free to contact Annie or Gabrielle using the details on the right. We hope to hear from you!

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