

## Mile End Estate – thank you for sharing your views with us.

### Dear Resident

EastendHomes is consulting residents of a number of blocks on the Eric estate about our proposals to carry out improvements to these blocks and provide more affordable homes for local people.

These proposals include, the installation of new lifts and improved refuse arrangements; security and bringing forward works to upgrade these blocks; and new homes at Windemere House, Coniston House, Buttermere House, Loweswater House and Derwent House.

EastendHomes is also planning to convert a number of disused garages into new affordable homes for the estate. This scheme is the latest phase of EastendHomes continued commitment to identify ways to meet the need for more genuinely affordable homes for local people and to improve our estates. Over the past 10 years EastendHomes has successfully provided over 300 new homes for local people. All of these new homes have been let at genuinely affordable social rent levels.

### Our proposals may include

- The conversion of disused garages at Wentworth Mews and Windemere House into new homes.
- Adding to the height of some blocks on the estate to create more homes. In some cases this would enable new lifts to be added to those blocks.
- Security works to help reduce anti-social behaviour
- New improved refuse facilities
- Bringing forward works to improve the overall appearance of those blocks.



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Residents have consistently told us that anti-social behaviour is a major cause of concern for residents on the Mile End estates. In response to those concerns we have already undertaken work to make some blocks more secure by installing temporary gates limiting access by non-residents. We are also aware that residents have identified the unused garages as a crime hotspot and in response to this our proposals include the conversion of these garages into homes.

The proposal, if it goes ahead, will provide over 100 new homes- with over 40 affordable homes alongside the provision of new homes to be made available to those in the area who have little chance of being re-housed by the Council. The provision of lifts will make life easier for all residents- particularly those with young children and the elderly.

## Will the scheme be disruptive?

No more so than any other scheme and in many respects less so. The conversion of ground floor garages to new homes will primarily involve work inside the new properties and involves the installation of new wiring, pipework for plumbing and lightweight internal partitions. It is intended for the upward extensions to the blocks to involve adding pre-fabricated lightweight structures to the top of the blocks with services and kitchens/bathrooms pre-installed in the units before being lifted into place.

## Why is EastendHomes proposing this scheme?

EastendHomes is a social housing charity and is committed to meeting the housing needs of our residents and those on Tower Hamlets housing waiting lists. EastendHomes is committed to exploring a range of ways to provide new affordable homes for local people. All of the new homes we have built on our estates have increased the number of social homes and helped local people stay in the area. We have also been able to let all the new homes we have built at social rent levels which are genuinely affordable.

## What happens next?

We will be calling on all residents to undertake a survey to get residents views on the proposals. There will also be an exhibition showing all the details of what is proposed either in the local office or the Southern Grove Community Centre.



## Contact us

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