

## Wandsworth Council

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Dear Resident,

## Land, Garages and Community Hall at Toland Square / Aubyn Square, London, SW15

You may recall that we wrote to you in late 2019 to advise that the Council had identified potential areas of the estate where we could build new homes, prioritised for our local community and key workers. These existing pockets of land on the estate will create new homes for families and will help to deal with the urgent housing crisis not just within the local area but across the borough as whole. This housing shortage is widespread and affects the whole of the London area and the South East.

At that time, we were about to start looking at initial design and high level masterplanning for both Eastwood North and South with our in-house team.

Unfortunately, the Covid pandemic slowed down this process. However, we have now had preliminary discussions with our Planning colleagues and are in the process of developing a brief in order to engage a highly experienced and skilled team of architects, urban designers and consultants to assist us in taking the schemes forward.

Once the initial design proposals have been worked up, we will share these with you as part of our consultation process. These consultations will provide an opportunity for you to comment and feedback on the ideas at an early stage, and to give us your thoughts on replacement community facilities and estate and environmental improvements.

Any new homes built will form part of our Housing for All programme – a commitment to build 1,000 new homes across the borough by 2027. All of the homes built within the programme will be prioritised for local residents and workers with 60% available for low cost rent and discounted purchase. We also ensure that every project includes sustainable improvements to the surrounding area, such as planting and green space, that benefit existing as well as new residents. The building process also brings employment, training and commercial opportunities for our local community and businesses.

We will contact you again later in the year to update you on how and when resident consultation will take place.



In the meantime, further information on our home building programme can be found on the Council's web pages – <u>www.wandsworth.gov.uk/newhomes</u>.

If you have any comments or queries at this early stage, please contact me.

Yours Faithfully,

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