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Housing Scrutiny
Committee

Islington Housing Group



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One Housing



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Islington Council, Chaired by
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- **Towards a fairer Islington**
- We're determined to make Islington fairer. To create a place where everyone, whatever their background, has the opportunity to reach their potential and enjoy a good quality of life.



Our priorities

To help bring our vision to life we have four clear objectives:

Decent and genuinely affordable: building new council homes, protecting renters, being a good landlord and preventing homelessness

Jobs and opportunity: delivering an inclusive economy, supporting people into work and ensuring young people have the best possible start

A safer borough for all: tackling ASB, ensuring young people are safe and encouraging a more cohesive borough for all

A greener and cleaner Islington: keeping Islington clean and tidy, encouraging greener travel, creating a healthier environment for all and tackling the climate crisis

Decent and genuinely affordable homes for all



Strategic/policy and operational/best practice sharing

Workshops:

Addressing the shortage of specialist older people's housing

The impact of Universal Credit and supporting residents

Building safety

In our meetings:

- White paper, Government consultation on Section 21 evictions
- Making best use of homes – Homeswapper, high needs transfers for those with disabilities
- Issues of concern – disposals, housing risk red list requiring adaptations

A safer borough for all



- Covid – met monthly. What we were each doing to support residents (calls etc); rising ASB and domestic abuse and violence; repairs; building sites; voids and lettings; rent arrears
- ASB – Community safety team, HA
- Violence against women and girls
- Fostering
- Locality project

Greener and cleaner Islington & Jobs and opportunities

- Transport strategy consultation
- Cycle storage
- Islington Sustainable Energy Partnership
- Angelic energy
- Youth strategy
- London Living Wage
- Islington Giving



What next?

- Workshop on **greening our homes** and the climate emergency

Strategic issues and challenges

- ***Housing White paper*** – with its seven commitments to residents including safe homes, action on complaints and a stronger Ombudsman, transparency on performance with KPIs, consumer regulation, a good quality home and help with home ownership
- Requirement for all homes to be ***EPC C by 2030 and zero carbon by 2050*** (part of ‘Decent homes 2’)
- ***Building safety scandal*** and the fallout for tenants, residents, associations and the building of new homes
- ***New Affordable Homes Programme*** – right to shared ownership etc
- ***Planning White Paper*** – end of S106 etc
- ***Supporting communities*** as we emerge from Covid



Questions...&
ideas and
insights
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