



## Annual Report

The purpose of this report is to inform residents and stakeholders about the activities undertaken in 2016 on their behalf by CRA Officers and residents who have volunteered and supported the officers. This is not a financial report, please refer to the audited accounts 2016 for financial information.

### Officers 2016

Name	Position	Date Appointed
Ronan Conway	Chair	08/12/2015
Gordon Furn	Vice Chair	08/12/2015
Jessica Poole	Secretary	23/09/2015
Maggi Knights	Treasurer	23/09/2015

### Area Panel Representatives 2016

Name	Date Appointed
Chinyere Nwobani	23/09/2015
Raphael Mergui	23/09/2015

### Improved Communication routes:

In an attempt to improve communication with residents the CRA has

- **Website**

Set up the CRA website <https://crossfielders.wordpress.com>. Meeting agendas, minutes and matters of local interest are posted here for residents to access

- **Mailing list**

Set up an email mailing list of residents and stakeholders, such as Lewisham Tenants Fund and Lewisham Homes staff. So far we have over 50 names.

- **Email**

Set up the email [crossfielders@gmail.com](mailto:crossfielders@gmail.com). This enables residents and stakeholders to communicate directly with the CRA Officers. The only recipients are the CRA Officers.

- **Notice Boards**

Purchased and installed from CRA funds 20 notice boards. They were installed at the bottom of each staircase by two residents.

- **Equipment**

We purchased a printer, projector and voice recorder to support the CRA administrative needs and

activities.

### **Consultation and meetings:**

We have represented the views and concerns of Crossfield residents and conveyed responses to back to them.

- Lewisham Homes – the quality of the major works undertaken by Mitie.
- Bouygues – the development on Faircharm Creekside and its impact on residents' lives
- Strategic Planning, Lewisham – the proposed development on Tidemill Old School site and its potential impact on Frankham House residents
- Tideway – the construction of the super sewer, Thames Tideway Tunnel and the potential impact on residents. [getinvolved@tideway.london](mailto:getinvolved@tideway.london)
- Regeneration Project, Lewisham; Community Masterplan – new trees on Crossfields replacing trees removed from Crossfields Green [www.lewisham.gov.uk/crossfieldopenspace](http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/crossfieldopenspace)
- Air Quality – Citizen Sense Project, Goldsmiths University – residents attended workshops and 'dust boxes' have been installed on the Estate to monitor air quality. The results contribute towards the mapping of air quality across London. <http://citizensense.net/>
- Thames Water and Lewisham Homes – the ownership of the Browne House drains. This remains unresolved after over two years of regular communication.

### **Gardening**

We have liaised with the LH Grounds Maintenance team and will continue to work with them to enable residents to be more involved in planting and looking after the flower borders, should they wish to do so. There are flower pots at the Pink Palace and we have purchased fertiliser for some of the communal flower beds.

### **Pink Palace**

There are now five different client groups using the space regularly; two are long standing and three are new. All contracts and invoices are now issued electronically and for new clients payments requested via BACs.

The centre is cleaned regularly. The boiler has been serviced, the premises has been inspected by a Health and Safety Fire officer, the portable appliances have been safety checked and all assets are now recorded on a register. There is a public liability insurance cover.

### **Social Activities:**

- The Summer Picnic, 18 September 2016. On the Farrer House Lawn, residents were entertained by local musicians and a story teller. They enjoyed the playing on a bouncy castle and in the ball-pit, participating in the display and a competition put on by the Creekside Discovery Centre staff and the screen printing workshop put on by the artists from the Mine Sweeper in the Creek. Residents also enjoyed the barbeque provided by the Birds Nest public house. The event was mainly funded through a Lewisham Tenants Fund grant and all activities were free. Some new residents participated and thanks to those who helped to set up and clear-up.
- Halloween Film Night at the Pink Palace, 31 October 2016. A small number of children accompanied by their adults attended and received treats.
- Games nights and film nights have been offered but residents have not engaged.

It has been a busy year for officers and we thank all those who have volunteered this year and we want to encourage more residents to volunteer to develop the CRA to benefit them and the Estate, going forward.