

## KCPIN Discussion notes, 5 May 2015

### What are your top three priorities for future campaigns from the VCS manifesto following the elections?

Group 1:

- (1) Invest in the voluntary and community sector. Including sustained investment.
- (2) Support small organisations access commissioning opportunities. The above two points could be combined.
- (3) Retain grants: avoid route of tendering. Tenders do not work – boroughs are moving away from this as not delivering on the ground.
- (4) Provide affordable premises, a percentage of community units should be discounted to the sector.
- (5) Supporting mixed communities, affordable housing needed and avoid gentrification of the borough.

Group 2:

- (1) Housing: social sector is being reduced.
- (2) Premises: undermines community.
- (3) Investment into the sector – offer some specific suggestions on how to do this.
- (4) We are doing PRS – but other aspects.

### Private Rented Sector Housing Programme

- Fair rent 1989: similar to social rent.
- The question of how long people living in their accommodation missing in survey. Amend question 35 to include this.

### Interviews themes

- Accessibility to homes in PRS.
- People being isolated.
- Whole life aspirations and PRS. Impacts on people's life in all aspects.
- What effect investors have on streets? Sense of community, e.g. local post office being close down, and empty spaces.
- Negative experiences, what are these barriers?
- How easy is it to get PRS in the first place?
- How are people involved in the community?
- HMO's register?

### Survey distribution

ADKC

- Attend staff meeting.
- Individual meeting to access group.
- Can leave some in reception.

#### Age UK

- Advisors can support.
- Leave referral forms.

#### Health Watch

- Email/newsletter/e-bulletin.

#### CIC

- Hard copies in clinics.
- Can collect hardcopies via reception staff.
- Emails.
- Saturday clinic.

#### Stephen Duckworth

- KCSC to contact Pepper Pot
- MRF

#### Westway Trust

- Contact Louise for gym mailshot.
- Leave some at reception.
- Send researchers to community centre.

#### CAB

- Message to Advisors.
- CAB can collect surveys.

#### Others

- Canal side House
- BME Health Forum
- Mind

### Round-up

- Next time the PIN can discuss issue of mental health.
- Next meeting Sept, date TBC.