# Main Voluntary Organisation Forum 26 June 2018

## Reflecting on the future – Where are we heading?

We need to frame the conversation with the council

- What conversations do we need to be having with councillors?
- What are the big concerns?
- Where do we need answers?
- Do we feel there is space in the current climate for ongoing dialogue with councilors across the political spectrum? If not, what needs to happen?

The council needs to:

- Prioritise there are many decisions that need to be made about the future
- Respond to immediate and long term challenges post Grenfell
- Understand the needs of residents across the borough
- Address its financial challenges
- Make some difficult decisions which may impact on how current services are funded



#### Local elections 2018



### Leadership team – May 2018

- Deputy Leader, Grenfell and Housing (Cllr Kim Taylor-Smith)
- Lead Member for Adult Social Care (Cllr Sarah Addenbrooke)
- Lead Member for Communities and Culture (Cllr Gerard Hargreaves)
- Lead Member for Families, Children and Schools (Cllr Emma Will)
- Lead Member for Healthy City Living (Cllr David Lindsay)
- Lead Member for Skills and Enterprise (Cllr Catherine Faulks)
- Lead Member for Streets, Planning and Transport (Cllr Will Pascall)
- Leader of the Council (Cllr Elizabeth Campbell)

## Centre for Public Scrutiny Review

- https://www.cfps.org.uk/change-council-independent-review-governanceroyal-borough-kensington-chelsea/
- Work with councillors and the voluntary sector to foster and support local individuals, groups and organisations to self-organise to influence council decision-making
- The Council should seek to nurture and support citizens and community groups so that they can play an active role and take part in decision making.
- CfPS heard from the voluntary sector that it would be willing to play a bigger role in supporting residents to take part in decision making and in helping residents to organise themselves.
- Recommendation was that this is something that the Council discusses as part of its ongoing meetings with the voluntary sector. Longer term that the Council, in partnership with the voluntary and community sector look at how to make it easier for people to self organise and support each other.