

London Borough of Lambeth Ownership and Stewardship Panel Appointment of Tenant Member and two Alternate Tenant Members

Guidance Notes for Applicants

Introduction

The Ownership and Stewardship Panel will support the Council in its role as the owner of Homes for Lambeth. The Panel will scrutinise and monitor all of the companies which make up Homes for Lambeth. The Panel will make recommendations to the Cabinet about decisions it needs to take on all of Homes for Lambeth's activities.

The Panel membership is the Deputy Leader for Investment and Partnerships (Chair) Deputy Leader for Finance and Resources Cabinet member for Planning, Regeneration and Jobs (Deputy Chair), Cabinet Member for Housing and Environment and a Tenant Member.

The Council is inviting applications for the Tenant Member of the Panel and for two Alternate Tenant Members who will deputise for the Tenant Member if he or she is unable to attend a Panel meeting or event. The appointments will be for an initial two-year period and will be drawn from tenants living on the leading Regeneration Estates (see below). It is intended that after this initial period, the roles will be open to tenants of any estate on which Homes for Lambeth is working.

The Role

The responsibilities of the role are set out in the Role Description which is attached and is basically to bring a Tenant's perspective to the work of the Ownership and Stewardship Panel.

The Panel will meet at least four times per year but there may be additional meetings called as necessary.

The Role is subject to a Code of Conduct – you can download this from estateregeneration.lambeth.gov.uk/osp

Who can apply?

Any Secure Tenant or Joint Secure Tenant of Lambeth living on the three leading Regeneration Estates: South Lambeth Estate, Westbury Estate or Knight's Walk may apply, providing that they meet the other Eligibility criteria. These are:

- Clear rent account and no other debt owing to Lambeth Council
- No history of formal action for breach of tenancy conditions, i.e. Notice of Seeking Possession, Court Action in current tenancy or any previous ones.

Open Evenings

We are holding two Open Evenings for any interested resident. You will be able to meet Lambeth Officers and Members involved in the Panel to find out more. The Independent Tenant Advisor will also be there and will be able to advise and assist residents in making an application, if required. These will be held after the 1st March 2018.

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How to apply

Send an email to estateregeneration@lambeth.gov.uk setting out why you would like to be considered for the post.

Please send this before the 1 March 2018 so we can invite you to the open evenings.

Selection Process

The Selection Panel is made up a Cabinet Member, a Senior Council Officer and a tenant member selected by the Resident Engagement Panels of the three estates. The Selection Panel will appoint the candidate who they assess best meets the requirements of the Person Specification. The Alternate Members will be the runners up.

The Selection Panel will consider information provided on the Application Form and then invite up to five applicants to attend an interview. Further details will be sent to shortlisted candidates.

Training and Support

Training and support will be available from appointment and throughout the term of office by an independent tenant advisor and from Council Officers reporting to the Panel.

Independent Advice

If you would like to discuss the role and whether it is for you, Lambeth have arranged for an independent tenant adviser to assist you. Please contact Edward Ogundele at edward.ogundele@publicvoice.london or on 07770 883224