

Committee	Dated:
Gresham (City Side) Committee	1 November 2019
Subject: Gresham Almshouses update	Public
Report of: Director of Community & Children's Services	For Information
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Summary

This report gives Trustees an information update on the Gresham Almshouses, in Lambeth. Some of the information in the report also relates to the City of London Almshouses on the estate.

Recommendation

Trustees are asked to note the report.

Main Report

Background

1. This report is presented half yearly to the Trustees of the Gresham Almshouses. It updates Trustees on operational matters relating to the Gresham Almshouses and their residents and highlights any issues of concern.

Current Position

2. Refurbishment Work

TSG have been appointed as the contractor to undertake the refurbishment work which will commence 11 November 2019 (end date 20 July 2020). The work will commence shortly after 11 November to allow the contractor to set up welfare facilities for their operatives, to hold start up meetings with staff and then meet the contractor events for residents.

3. Christmas Hamper Delivery

Christmas Hamper delivery will take place on 6 December 2019, transport from the Guildhall has been arranged and will be confirmed nearer the date. Light refreshments will be served to Trustees and residents during the visit.

4. Residents financial status

Officers are required a review to be undertaken to ensure that residents still met the agreed eligibility criteria. This review began in May 2019, Officers are

pleased to inform Trustees only one resident has failed to provide details of their savings and income, this resident requires support from their family and officers expect this to be resolved soon. The remaining seven residents continue to meet the qualifying conditions.

5. Cat Survey

At the request of Gresham Trustees, officers reviewed resident preference in having up to two indoor cats during May. The residents decision was not to change the current pet policy, therefore residents will not be allowed to keep cats.

Conclusion

Trustees are asked to note the report.

Appendices

None

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