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15. Cromwell Tower Lobby Refurbishment

Contractors are on-site and works are progressing with an anticipated completion date in October 2010.

16. Redecorations

Satisfaction surveys for the 2009/10 programme have been sent out.

The blocks included in the 2010/11 programme are:

Ben Jonson House - Internal

Breton House – Internal

Willoughby House – External

Brandon Mews - External

17. Roof Apportionments

The Barbican Association has appointed another member to the Roof Apportionment working party.

BLOCK	CURRENT STATUS	Estimated Final Account Verification	Estimated Final Apportionments
Seddon House	Final account agreed. Final Apportionment to be carried out	N/A	Oct 2010
Bryer Court	Awaiting final guarantee. Final account will not change. Final Apportionment to be carried out	Sept 2010	Oct 2010
Breton House	Queries being answered by the consultant	Oct 2010	Nov 2010

Ben Jonson House	Queries being answered by the consultant	Oct 2010	Nov 2010
John Trundle/ Bunyan Court	All queries resolved, awaiting guarantee to complete verification exercise	N/A	Oct 2010
Shakespeare Tower	Final account agreed. Final apportionment to be carried out.	N/A-	Oct 2010

With the exception of Ben Jonson and Breton House, draft final apportionments are with the Barbican Association roof sub-committee. We await a response in order to answer any queries.

18. Barbican Estate Repairs & Maintenance Service

Pre tender statutory consultation has been carried out. The specification and tender documentation is being finalised with comments from the Comptroller and City Solicitor being incorporated. It is envisaged tenders will be invited in September with an expected start date in January 2011.

19. Restructuring

The restructure of technical is still under review. A restructure of the senior management team reporting to the Housing Services Director is progressing and it is envisaged that this may impact on the final structure for the technical division

20. Asset Maintenance Plan

A working party is to be set up to progress the outline project plan and formalise the Asset Maintenance Plan.

21. Asbestos

Drawings for all blocks have been completed. At the time of your meeting, asbestos surveys would have been carried out to all blocks. Reports are being reviewed and remedial works are being carried out where necessary.

22. Water Pressures

The recent survey has been analysed and shows that a number of blocks are experiencing a higher than normal problem with either low or erratic water pressures. Discussions have taken place between the Housing Services Director and Thames Water. Thames Water have said they will work with Technical and the BEO to reach a satisfactory short term solution to water pressure problems. A longer term solution is being investigated and a report will be submitted to a future meeting detailing the possible solutions and estimated costs.

23. Power Surges

Investigations into the effects of power supply fluctuations on landlords supplies have been carried out and results show that the effect on equipment is negligible. Residents who are affected by fluctuating supplies will be advised to contact their energy supplier. Equipment installed in Sun Dial continues to be monitored and results are expected in the Autumn and will be reported to the RCC when they are available.

24. Public Lift Availability

Availability of the public lifts under the control of Technical Services are detailed below

Lift	From April 2009 to March 2010	From April to June 2010
Turret	99.94%	100%
Gilbert House	99.22%	100%

Whilst the Moor Lane, Little Britain, Royex House and 1 London Wall (Western Pavilion) lifts are now connected to the Central Monitoring unit (CMU), a software issue occurred when the monitoring data was transferred to a web based system. This is being rectified and future updates will contain availability for these lifts.