

Committee	Dated:
Gresham (City Side) Committee	13 October 2023
Subject: Gresham Almshouses Update	Public
Report of: Director of Community & Children's Services	For Discussion
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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. Staffing

A round of permanent recruitment was carried out for the gardener position for the scheme in June 2023. Unfortunately, this was unsuccessful. Another round of permanent recruitment will be carried out to fill the post.

3. Anti-Social Behaviour

We still continue to experience non-residents entering the scheme and loitering in the communal areas. This issue is also affecting the wider community. The police are aware of the situation and have increased patrols.

4. Installation of CCTV

The installation of the CCTV is being led by our Projects Team. There are delays in progressing this due to the Almshouses being listed. Further detail is provided

in the non-public report - Condition of Gresham Almshouses at Item 11 on the agenda.

5. Void Properties

There are currently no void properties at the Gresham Almshouses.

6. Social Activities

A Summer Picnic was held at the Almshouses for all the sheltered / Almshouses residents across the City of London schemes in August 2023. This was well attended by residents and beneficiaries.

Plans are underway to organise an event at the Almshouses for the festive season.

Conclusion

Trustees are asked to note the report.

Appendices

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