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Dear Sian,

## **Carpenters Estate Regeneration Ballot, Newham**

Many thanks for your letter of 25 November about concerns that were raised with you following a meeting with residents of the Carpenters Estate, Newham. Unfortunately, your initial correspondence was mistakenly addressed to the Executive Director of Civica Housing & Asset Management Division. I am happy to confirm that Civica Election Services are the appointed Independent Body in relation to all Housing regeneration ballots undertaken by Civica. I have therefore copied in the Managing Director Simon Hearn.

As you may be aware, the appointed Independent Body is charged with administering an Estate Regeneration Ballot in accordance with the GLA guidelines. An application to receive GLA funding is dependent upon a resident ballot that ultimately, is compliant with the "GLA Resident Ballot Compliance Checklist".

We cannot comment on matters relating to canvassing in general as this is outside the remit of the Independent body. It is also inappropriate for us to comment directly about an ongoing ballot and whether it is compliant with the checklist.

At this stage, you may wish to raise your specific issues in relation to the Carpenters Estate Regeneration Ballot with the London Borough of Newham and/or the Tenants Independent Representative.

We would of course welcome any initiatives that strengthen the universal understanding of the GLA Resident Ballot Guidelines and are ready to offer our electoral administration experience to such a process.

Yours sincerely,



Simon Clarke  
Commercial & Relationship Manager

Cc Simon Hearn, Managing Director