

Aldgate Estate Residents' Association

Inaugural General Meeting

7pm 23 March 2010

Portsoken Community Centre

Attendance	55 residents 16 guests – see annex A
Chair	Roger Jones
Interpreter	Husnara Begum

Minutes

1. The chair opened the meeting and introduced guest speaker Mark Field MP who addressed the meeting and concluded by wishing the Association well.
2. The chair explained the purpose of the meeting and thanked the organisation and individuals at Annex B for their support of the Association.
3. The meeting moved to consideration of the three motions on the agenda proposing adoption of
 - the draft constitution for the Association,
 - the draft equalities and diversity statement for the Association
 - the draft code of conduct for the Association

Two residents complained that the draft constitution had not been circulated to individual flats nor displayed on the estate notice board.

Another resident explained that the notice of the meeting had been delivered to every flat on the estate over four weeks prior to the meeting and that the notice had clearly stated that copies of the draft constitution were available in both English and Bengali from the estate office. The notice also gave a contact phone number and email address to request a copy of the draft. It also advertised a special Q&A meeting on 9 March dedicated to the draft, which was again notified separately to each flat a few days before that meeting.

The motions were put to the vote and passed.

The chair announced the date of the first Volunteers Committee meeting as 31 March and the date of the first general estates meeting as 20 April at 6.30pm in the Iveagh Court Community Room.

4. Alderman Bear took the chair for the election of the Volunteers Committee.

The Alderman explained the nomination and election process and then called upon Common Councilman Delis Regis to present the list of validated nominees.

There being seven nominees and a maximum of fifteen permitted by the constitution, the following were declared elected under section 25 of the constitution:

Norman McMaster
Tim Limbrick
Karen Walker
Rina Begum
Rokeya Khanom
Roger Jones
Andrew Coombes

5. The chair called upon Mark Field to make the draw for the Prize Draw.
6. The meeting closed.

Annex A – Guest list

Toni Meredith	Account3
Alderman Michael Bear	City of London
Jo Welsh	Cass Child & Family Centre
Nahide Cook	Guinness Trust
Koddus Miah	Guinness Trust
PC John Innes	City of London Police
PC Dan Valler	City of London Police
Joy Odiatu	Guinness Trust
Husnara Begum	Account3
Emma Pouviez	City.Comm
Mark Pudge	City.Comm
Neal Hounsell	City of London
Nlch Cressey	Common Councilman
Mark Field MP	House of Commons
Ian Burleigh	Common Councilman
Paul Reeves	TPAS
Deputy Henry Jones	Common Councilman

Annex B – Thanks to these organisations and individuals for their support for the Association –

Safer City Partnership	Funding for refreshments
Mark Field MP	Speaking and support
Toni Meredith of Account3	Interpreter services
Alderman Bear and Delis Regis cc	Facilitation of constitutional negotiations with Guinness Trust
Paul Reeves of TPAS	Facilitation of constitutional negotiations with Guinness Trust
Koddus Miah of GT	Working in partnership with Association
Neal Hounsell of CoL	Funding Bengali translation of meeting flyer
City.Comm	Advice on constitution and general support
Henry Jones, Ian Burleigh, Nick Cressey	General support
Aldgate Estate residents	Making it happen