BLENHEIM GARDENS RMO
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NOTICE OF YOUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ON

TUESDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 2024

AT 7:00P.M.

IN THE COMMUNITY HUB, 23 PRAGUE PLACE, BLENHEIM GARDENS ESTATE, SW2 5ED & ON ZOOM

Meeting ID: 856 5661 3869
Passcode: 881858

AGENDA

1. PANEL INTRODUCTIONS
2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM – Hosted on 26th Sept 2023 - Enclosed.
3. APPROVAL OF ANNUAL AUDITED ACCOUNTS
4. APPOINTMENT OF FINANCIAL AUDITORS
5. ELECTION OF RMO BOARD MEMBERS – Nomination form enclosed.

6. A VOTE FOR THE RMO TO CONTINUE UNDER THE TERMS OF ITS MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Residents will be able to also join this meeting live – further details to follow.

The AGM will be followed by a General Meeting.

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August 2024

Blenheim Gardens RMO
Annual General Meeting
Held 26th September 2023 at 7pm
On Zoom and The Community Hub
23 Prague Place
London SW2

Present:
Martin Cherry (Chair)
Gina Filose (Vice Char)
Board Members and residents in attendance (refer to sign-in sheet)

Also in attendance:

Danny Howcroft (DH Estate Director)
Phil Morris (PM Financial Consultant)
Ray Coyle (RC Consultant Open Communities)

Martin introduced the panel and welcomed all in attendance.

1. Previous AGM minutes of 27th September 2022

Agreed as a true reflection of the previous AGM.

2. Approval of annual accounts

2.1 Phil Morris (PM) talked through the accounts and noted the Board members involved with accounts preparation are all long standing. The Auditors confirmed they were satisfied with information provided and signed the accounts. 'Income' details money received and the various spendings that occurred. A surplus was achieved, and corporation tax will be paid on interest gained in the year. £584,000 relates to the pension fund and also includes a surplus (i.e. moved from being a deficit). Page 11 of the accounts is the balance sheet. The reserves and surplus fund increased considerably due to the pension surplus. Fixed assets increased by £2.5k due to spending on replacements and more CCTV which is treated as an asset. Depreciation is paid for from the reserves. Page 12 summarises income and expenditure, also equity. There are notes on accounting policies including a comment that BGRMO remains a going concern. Taxation is backdated and a charge for previous year is shown. Debtors, creditors, and capital shares are all shown. At General Meeting last March there was agreement for things like canopies, front entrances, and minor works. There is a contingency reserve and a listing of income for the year (latter includes general allowance from Lambeth and recharges).

2.2 Expenditure increased as did the allowance from Lambeth. Salary increases were offset by reductions. Estate costs reduced and less boilers were replaced than in the previous year. Office administration expenses increased as did committee & community costs due to lockdown. PM asked if there were any questions (none asked).

Vote – AGM attendees unanimously approved BGRMO's annual accounts.

3. Appointment of financial auditors

3.1 PM recalled that BGRMO's former auditors had recommended the current one. The fees increased due to the volume of work undertaken. Recommendation is hold off on reappointing an auditor and for the service to be tendered.

Agreed by attendees.

4. Election of Board Members

4.1 Martin explained the election process including standing down aspects. Ray Coyle introduced himself and explained the procedure in detail and its importance of doing it objectively hence why he was asked to undertake the ballot aspect on behalf of the board.

4.2 4 Board members are to be elected and there are 7 nominees (6 seek re-election). 1 person – Diana is retiring from the Board (a round of applause was given to Diana). Ray distributed ballot forms to all attendees and noted there were online voters. Voters are to put an X against the 4 persons they choose. If votes result in a tie, then the process will be repeated. 7 nominees are Michelle Greenfield, Martin Cherry, Maralyn Maiouche, Geresom Obinna, Greg Furlong, Chi Obi and Colleen Scott.

4.3 Ray noted votes were close which showed clear support. The following nominations were elected to serve on the RMO board. Michelle, Martin, Geresome and Maralyn. Each will serve for 3 years.

4.4 DH noted the unsuccessful nominations can be co-opted to the Board in October.

4.5 DH thanked all for their nominations.

5. Continuation of the RMO

5.1 Martin noted the accounts were signed off by auditors. This demonstrated full compliance and proper preparations. Details of spending plans over the next years are reported and asked attendee if the RMO is given permission to continue under the terms of its management agreement.

Vote – AGM attendees unanimously agreed for Blenheim Gardens RMO to continue.

Blenheim Gardens Resident Management Organisation Limited

Nomination for Election to the RMO Board at the

Annual General Meeting on

Tuesday 24th September 2024 at 7 pm

Any shareholder of the RMO can be elected to the Board of BGRMO. If you want to be elected to the Board you must complete and return this form to the RMO Secretary at 24 Prague Place, Blenheim Gardens Estate, Brixton, London SW2 5ED or email to Blenheimgardens@lambeth.gov.uk **by 5 pm on Friday 13th September 2024.**

Details of shareholder nominated for election to the RMO Board:

Name	
Address	
Telephone	
Email	

I am willing to stand for election to the Blenheim Gardens Residents Management Organisation. I consent to the RMO using the information I am providing for the purposes of election to the RMO board.

Signature of shareholder nominated for election: ....

Date............................

Please complete a statement (overpage) of up to 100 words explaining why you would like to be elected to the RMO Board. This will be presented to members at the AGM. Only the first 100 words will be used. This form must be returned no later than:

5 pm on Friday 13th September 2024 to 24 Prague Place, Brixton, London SW2 5ED or once completed email this form to Blenheimgardens@lambeth.gov.uk

<u>Members standing for election must be nominated by another shareholder of BGRMO</u>

Nominated by (being a shareholder of BGRMO)

Name	
Address	

Signature of the shareholder nominating: ....

Date.............................. 2024

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