Watling Gardens TMO

OPEN MEETING 21ST MAY 2005

TO DISCUSS SAFETY AND SECURITY

Chair: Paula Mackmurdie , Minutes Paul Anderson

Apologies: Kieran Bradley, Stuart Leveridge

Attendees: Approx 25 residents

A discussion took place about estate wide issues regarding the safety of residents:

- The bin sheds on the high rises are now being locked in the evening. They were not locked on the 20th May and rough sleepers were found in the C Block bin shed in the morning. Over the past month 3 incidents of rough sleeping in A Block were reported. A reduction of incidents.
- The use of intercoms was raised as some residents let in anyone who
 rings without checking. Other residents will not let in anyone they do not
 know. PA to check cost and viability of installing video phones into
 each flat
- Concerns were raised that the gate into the bungalow garden is not locked . PA to check with residents and agree on locking
- The two recent burglaries in A Block were discussed. PA said that CCTV images of the suspected culprits were given to the police. One of suspects is regularly seen in the Kilburn area. One of the residents burgled say there has been no update from the police.
- PA to check on the possibility and cost of fitting at least one Yale lock on the flat doors
- An unknown person was seen dumping rubbish bags into the bins at the bungalows. When asked he said he was from 2WG. PA to check with resident
- It was agreed to set up a Neighbourhood Watch scheme and 9 residents agree to participate- forming 3 teams to alternate on consecutive weeks. This will be discussed at the next board meeting. Equipment needed include torch, vis jacket, master fob, some id, a mobile, gloves. **PA to buy**
- Will need to register with Met