



**Nottingham
City Homes**

Press Release

You Said – We Did!

Clifton tenants and leaseholders make a difference

At Nottingham City Homes we are committed to empowering our tenants and leaseholders to get involved and influence the way we shape and deliver our services. Area Panels have been set up throughout the city to find out what matters to our tenants and leaseholders and what we can do to make a real difference.

At last month's area panel for Clifton our tenants and leaseholders said: they were unhappy with the condition of an alleyway on Chisbury Green. The alleyway was littered with fly tipping and rubbish, including hypodermic needles.

Since the meeting we: cleared the alleyway the following day and have now worked with Nottinghamshire Police to make sure there is more of a police presence in the area.

The next Area Panel meeting for Clifton will be taking place at Clifton Cornerstone on Tuesday 12 August from 9.30am until 12.30pm.

The nine Area Panels fall in line with the Nottingham City Council's Area Committees and are made up of 12-15 local tenants and leaseholders who represent their local community by sharing thoughts, concerns,

ideas and advice on how we can deliver better, stronger services that really meet the needs of local people.

Tenants and leaseholders are given the opportunity to play an active role in discussing and influencing a variety of housing related issues including maintenance, repairs, performance and even have a say on how our budgets are spent to improve neighbourhoods by providing extra lighting, fencing and improving security.

One of our officers will be at each Area Panel alongside councillors and representatives from the police and Nottingham City Council. We are all working in partnership with the community to create homes and places where people *want* to live.

We are always looking for new and enthusiastic individuals to take part, represent their local community and have their say on our services.

For further information on Area Panels, or to find out how to get involved, please see our monthly newsletter, News from Nottingham City Homes, visit the website www.nottinghamcityhomes.org.uk or call us on 0845 330 31 31.

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Notes to editors:

Nottingham City Homes was created on 1st April 2005 as an Arms Length Management Organisation (ALMO) to manage Nottingham City Council's rented and leasehold homes. We are now working hard towards bringing Nottingham's council houses up to the Government's Decent Homes standard by 2013.

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