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Dear Wendling and St Stephens Close Residents,

I am writing to you as both your local ward councillor and chair of the Wendling & St Stephens Close steering group.

As my local constituents it is important for me to inform you of the pending resident estate ballot which commences on Monday 21st June 2021.

The estate ballot is being run and administered independently by Civica Elections Services. The voting papers for the ballot will be posted on Monday 21st June 2021, these papers will be delivered by Royal Mail first class post. So, it is vitally important that you ensure that you check your mail for these important voting papers as not to miss out on casting your vote, the voting process is self-explanatory.

Once in receipt of your voting papers each household will have from the 21st June 2021, 25 days in which to cast your vote by various options as detailed in the voting papers, casting your preference of choice in the vote is a simple tick in the box which states (Yes) or (No) the ballot closes on Thursday 15th July 2021 at 5pm.

Camden will start to circulate and hand deliver its Landlord Offer to you on the 1st June 2021 ahead of the ballot, this way it will give you the opportunity to review the contents of the Landlord Offer in which it is made to you by Camden.

Although, I am aware of that a small proportion of estate residents have asked for the pending ballot on the 21st June 2021 to be delayed. Please be assured that both the Council and the Cabinet Member Cllr Danny Beales have duly considered this request and are 100% committed to holding this ballot as agreed. I know personally that many residents from both Wendling & St Stephens Close have informed me that the ballot has been long overdue and that many of you have waited far too long for the opportunity of investment to deliver new homes to you and your families. I encourage you to have your say in the pending ballot whether it is a **Yes** or **No** the choice is yours and yours alone.

I can only emphasise the importance that you take time to read through the Landlord Offer document in order to understand what the Landlord Offer is offering you prior to casting your vote. If you have any questions relating to the content of the Landlord Offer, then please contact one of the regeneration staff members with your enquiry.

As a local ward councillor, I consider the option proposal of redevelopment for Wendling & St Stephens Close a major investment for the future of Gospel Oak. It is during the consultation workshops, meetings pre COVID and numerous survey feedback from estate residents to date that I have heard many residents' views on the proposal of the future of Wendling & St Stephens Close, for example Building defects, ASB, Poor layout with overcrowding being a persistent problem for many families.

Whilst I support the redevelopment proposal with the added benefit of generating much needed additional housing, I also acknowledge it will also address many of the mitigating issues and concerns in which you have told us about.

Therefore, my message to you is not to miss out on casting your vote and to watch out for the hand delivered Landlord Offer from the 1st June 2021 and your voting documents that will be posted via Royal Mail from Monday 21st June 2021.

Please also find below a statement from my colleague, Cllr Danny Beales:



"Over the past two years we have been working in close partnership with Wendling and St Stephen's Close residents to carefully develop and tailor the plans for the estate in order to deliver the fit-for-purpose, modern homes that are desperately needed and to address specific local issues that you have told us about, this includes overcrowding and anti-social behaviour.

"Saying 'yes' to this regeneration will be just the beginning and we will work side-byside with all residents – as we have done across all of our Community Investment Programme proposals - on the designs for your estate, the layout of new homes and to shape new open spaces and community facilities.

"The upcoming ballot is your opportunity to help shape the future of your estate and yes or no, we will respect the decision you make. With that in mind, I encourage you all to take this chance to influence the future of the Wendling and St Stephen's Close estate and make your vote count."

Cllr Danny Beales, Cabinet Member for Investing in Communities, Culture and an Inclusive Economy

Do not forget, Your Home, Your Choice, Your Vote.

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Best Wishes,

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