

#### Church Street (Maidstone) Management Company Annual General Meeting 2016

## **Welcome and Apologies**

- Apologies
- No questions about individual properties or circumstances; these can be dealt with after the meeting.
- Note down your questions, we have provided time for questions at the end of each section.



- Paul Peacock, Chairman
- Fergus Poncia, Company Secretary
- Peter Stock, Finance & Communications
- Olga D'Silva, Administrative Secretary
- Kate Holland, Planning and related matters
- Kristie Smith, PR, Communications and Administration
- 2 new Directors in 2017



- Overview on estate management
- Forecast for 2017 budget
- Aims for 2017
- Difficult financial situation inherited from Countrywide (previous estate managers) -Countrywide made no provision for maintenance agreements, eg smoke alarm systems, water pump system, breakdowns, electrical faults.



- Countrywide no reserve fund
- CSMC & our Accountant MHA MacIntyre Hudson, threat of legal action.
- Generated payment of £24,547 from Higgins Homes
- Generated payment of £543 from Countrywide
- Has created a reserve fund bedrock
- Reserve fund will also come from approx. 10% increment from yearly service charge



- 30 months of unravelling Higgins/Countrywide finances for Old Hospital since June 2014
- CSMC now have all financial aspects under control
- All debts inherited now paid
- Some additional costs incurred, eg. repainting/repairs to exterior sash windows at Fairfax Court. (Delayed Dudley House sash window repairs/repainting).



- Purchase of Scaffolding Plant (£2K) which will offset costs for future redecoration / maintenance
- Despite unbudgeted costs, full year costs expected to be approx. £74K.
- Estimated budget for end 2016 expected to be £72,434.
- Budget difference met by reserve funds



- Local Contractors (see our website)
- Paul Newman Contractors Ltd gardening, communal cleaning, general maintenance/repair
- Electrical Maintenance/Repair: Langcorn Electrical Ltd
- APT Heating & Plumbing Ltd (NIBE Boilers servicing, valve failures)
- NIBE & their contractors
- NIBE Expansion Tanks checks to fitting / Higgins



- Improved site security
- Unlawful pedestrian traffic almost zero
- Fairfax bin store area (new keypad, flood lighting, CCTV camera)
- Antisocial behaviour issues ongoing but being addressed.
- Meeting with Trinity Foyer, local Police, Maidstone Borough Council – July 2016



- Antisocial behaviour: CCTV Surveillance: has led to prosecution by fly tipping residents at Price Court
- UK Parking reduced level of illegal parking
- Parking space interest contact CSMC



- Penalty charges reintroduced for late service charge payments
- Installation of individual water meters fairer
- Water Ingress (approx 20 flats & Fairfax Court)
- Fairfax Court Damp Report commissioned
- Reserve fund (NHBC Guarantee is 10 years)



- Fairfax Court Damp Issue
- Extensive Engineer's Report
- NHBC invited Tenders 5 specialist co's
- Underpinning entire block
- Concrete slab & membrane
- Extensive Tanking to interior walls
- 2 new automatic sump pumps
- Cost of Engineer's Report alone £29K



- Budget for 2017
- Some blocks cost more than others, e.g. higher communal electricity consumption.
- Some blocks take longer to clean, some have car parking spaces
- Apartment size: 1,2 & 3 bedrooms
- Redecoration schedule
- 3 x Grade II Listed: Fairfax, 6-12 Dudley House, 7-12 Dudley House
- All of above factored into service fee calculation



- Common Area costs responsibility of all
- Specific costs to individual blocks are the responsibility of block owners
- Some blocks are larger than others: eg Fairfax
  & both Dudley blocks have 6 flats only
- Internal redecoration programme in line with Leaseholder Covenant Agreements (5 yearly)



- 2017 budget estimate: £70,949
- 2.6% lower than previous year
- Countrywide 2017 budget estimate: £108,000



- Commitment of CSMC Board to owners/residents
- Very best service at most reasonable cost
- Energetic implementation of CSMC policies and projects
- Thanks to the current Board
- Kate Holland thanks



- 2016 Directors' Remuneration £8,000
- Director pays 50% service charge
- 2017 Directors' Remuneration £10,375
- Current Board 3 years' service
- Rewarding Directors encourage others to join the Board of Directors
- Changes to 2017 Board



#### **Improvements in 2016**

- Improved security
- Programme started for conversion of light fittings and bulbs to LED
- Programme on supplying fire extinguishers to blocks
- Keycodes to most bin stores
- Repairs to paving brick work 'potholes' around Brockman & Fairfax - ongoing



#### **Improvements in 2016**

- Effective CCTV Surveillance (prosecutions)
- UK Parking reduced level of illegal parking
- Updated Parking Policy & Resident Permit Reissue
- Reconfiguration of parking spaces on access road contact CSMC
- Tree cutting regime (Hales/Brockman)
- Individual water meters (pay for what you use)
- Fairfax Court Damp Report commissioned
- Redecorating Dudley and Fairfax
- New Kent Highways street lamp outside Goring Place



## **Financial Report – Service Charge**

- Every owner made payments 2016
- There is no outstanding debt for service charge fees.
- A small number are making regular monthly payments



## **Income / bank balance**

- 2016 Service Fee income (To CSMC in 2016)
- £36,236.62
- Current Bank Balance
- £3,364.98
- Reserve Bank Balance
- £29,842.78
- Closing balance 2016 expected to be:
- Overspend by £1000

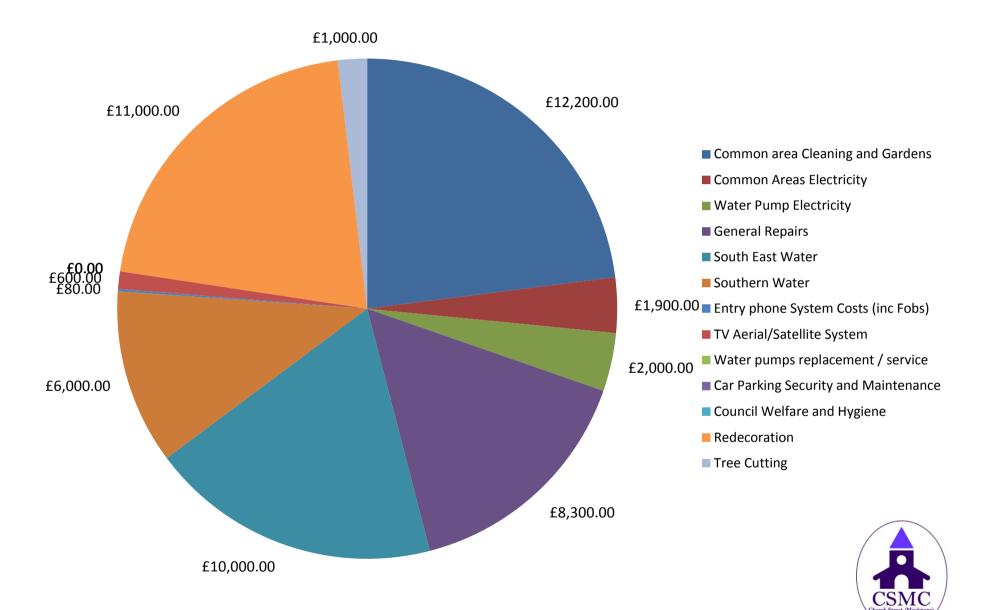


#### Financial Report – Breakdown estimated

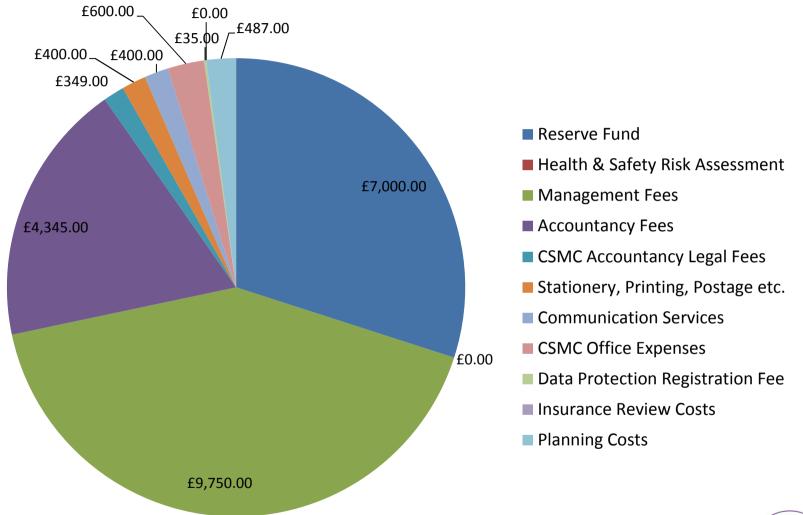
	2016
Services and Maintenance	£53,080.00
Reserves and Cyclical Repairs	£7000.00
Professional Fees	£23,366.00
Unaudited figures	£76,446.00



#### **Financial Report – Service and Maintenance**



#### **Financial Report – Professional Fees**





## **Board of Directors in 2017**

- CSMC and its relationship with Higgins Homes plc
- The duties of Directors
- Potential future developments
- Fergus Poncia, Company Secretary
- Olga D'Silva, Chair & Administrative Secretary
- Paul Peacock, Director (Transition & Site Operations)
- Peter Stock, Finance & Communications
- Kristie Smith, PR, Communications and Administration
- David Berry, Site Management
- Jonathan Castle, Finance Support



#### **Questions**?

- ITEMS 2-5 only
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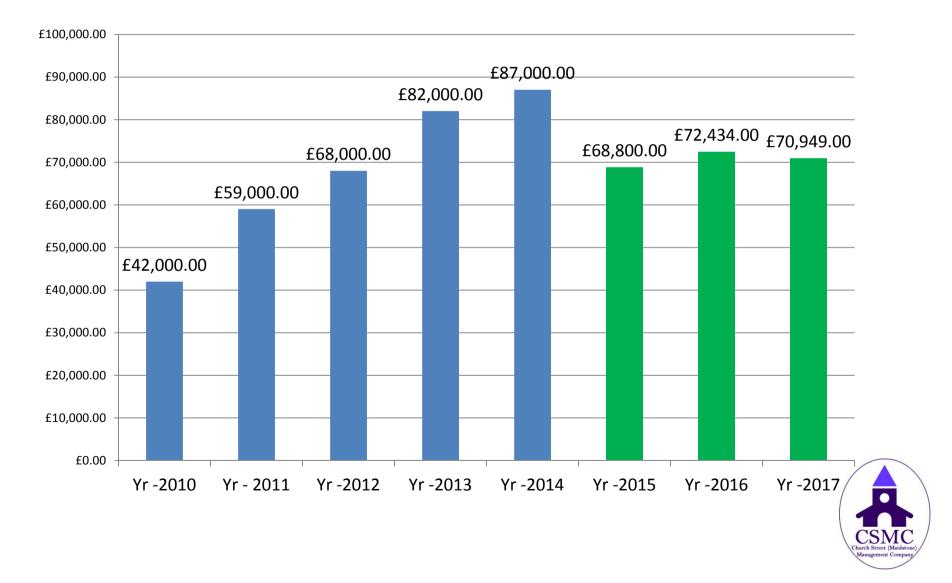


#### **Break**





# Budget for 2016 / 2017



#### Service Fees - Breakdown

	2016	2017
Services and Maintenance	£51,825.00	£49,590.00
Reserves and Cyclical Repairs	£7,000.00	£7,000.00
Professional Fees	£13,609.00	£14,359.00
	£72,434.00	£70,949.00



CSMC Expenditure 2015 and Budget 2016	CSMC Estimated 2016	CSMC Actual Costs 2016	Estimated Service Charge Costs 2017 Total
Services and Maintenance			
1 Common area Cleaning and Gardens	£12,000.00		£14,440.00
2 Common Areas Electricity	£3,000.00		£2,000.00
3 Water Pump Electricity	£3,000.00		£2,000.00
4 General Repairs and site updates	£6,000.00		£9,000.00
5 South East Water	£9,000.00		£0.00
6 Southern Water	£5,500.00		£0.00
7 Entry phone System Costs (inc Fobs)	£300.00		£300.00
8 TV Aerial/Satellite System	£100.00		£200.00
9 Water pumps replacement / service	£500.00		£800.00
0 Car Parking Security and Maintenance	£250.00		£250.00
1 Council Welfare and Hygiene	£100.00		£100.00
2 Redecoration	£10,325.00		£17,000.00
3 Tree Cutting	£1,750.00		£1,000.00
4 Fire Security Contract			£2,500.00
5			
Total	£51,825.00	£0.00	£49,590.00
Reserves and Cyclical Repairs			
8 Reserve Fund	£7,000.00	£7,000.00	£7,000.00
Total	£7,000.00	£7,000.00	£7,000.00
Professional Fees		•	
9 Health & Safety Risk Assessment	£0.00		£1,500.00
0 Management Fees	£10,375.00		£10,375.00
1 Accountancy Fees	£1,500.00		£1,000.00
2 CSMC Accountancy Legal Fees	£349.00		£349.00
3 Stationery, Printing, Postage etc.	£150.00		£150.00
4 Communication Services	£450.00		£450.00
5 CSMC Office Expenses	£500.00		£500.00
6 Data Protection Registration Fee	£35.00		£35.00
7 Planning Costs	£250.00		£0.00
8			
Total	£13,609.00	£0.00	£14,359.00
Total Annual Expenditure	£72,434.00	£7,000.00	£70,949.00



#### **Service Fees for 2017**

- Average based on £71k / 77 flats = £922
- How do we apportion?
- Flat size / No. Bedrooms / Schedule Maintenance / Redecoration / Communal Electricity / Cleaning / Parking Space
- A significant redecoration and improvement spend is taking place on Dudley and Fairfax



## Parking Management & Bids

• Reconfiguration of parking spaces

 CSMC will not act on behalf of residents for any appeal with UK Parking



#### **Rubbish & Recycling**





## **Rubbish & Recycling**

- Maidstone Borough Council (MBC) possible food collection & fortnightly rubbish collections – 2017
- Government initiative
- MBC assessment on individual bin stores
- Flats are open planned
- Home food caddy & master food caddy / compostable green bag liners (MBC = supply caddies not bags)
- If fortnightly scheme goes ahead, residents will receive a letter / rules outlined
- Subsequent letter with date roll out 2017



## Support to self-manage the estate

- What can you help with?
- Director, Contractors, Suppliers, Maintenance, Admin, Posting etc
- Please speak to a Director



#### **Resident Information Pack**

- Version 2 November 2016
- Updates on property and site issues
- Access online
- Will send email
- Some hard copies

- Website www.theoldhospitalmaidstone.co.uk
- Email <u>office@theoldhospitalmaidstone.co.uk</u>
- General emails to residents
- Telephone and voicemail Tel: 01622 616181



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#### **AOB and Close**

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