

Tenant Name  
Tenant Address

Date 7 November 2006

Dear

***Proposed Transfer of the Council's housing stock to Roddons Housing Association***

***Notice to tenants in accordance with Section 106A and Paragraph 3(3) of Schedule 3A of the Housing Act 1985***

In October we sent you a document called ***It's Your Home – It's Your Choice***. This set out in detail what Roddons Housing Association would be able to offer you if your homes transfer to it, and what would happen if the homes stay with the Council. The contents of this document and the promises it contained have been checked by financial experts, legal advisors and government officers, as well as by tenant representatives.

We asked you to send your comments on the proposal by 2 November.

At its meeting on 6 November, the Council's Cabinet received a report about the comments and queries that had been made by tenants and leaseholders during the consultation period.

Based on this information, the Council has decided to proceed to the Second Stage of the consultation process and to hold a ballot.

You will soon receive a formal ballot paper from the Electoral Reform Services. The Electoral Reform Services is an independent national body. This ballot will be carried out independently of the Council and Roddons Housing Association. You should send your ballot paper back to Electoral Reform Services, in the envelope provided, to reach them by 7th December at 12.00 Noon.

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**Your vote is very important.** The Council cannot transfer the properties unless a majority of the secure and introductory tenants in the District who vote in the ballot, vote in favour of transfer.

Before the transfer can proceed, the Secretary of State must give her consent. She can consider any relevant information available to her and she can make the Council supply her with any information she wants.

If you have any objections to the proposal, you may send details to the Secretary of State at Room 2/D1, Eland House, Bressenden Place, London SW1E 5DU. You must do this, to reach her no later than 7th December 2006 at 12.00 noon.

**It is important that you vote in the ballot.**

Before you do, please be aware that the Council listened to comments from many tenants during the consultation. **As a result of tenants' comments, there are a number of matters as well as a new piece of information which the Council wishes to bring to your attention.** These are explained in the leaflet attached. Please read them.

Thank you for taking the time to read this important letter. We hope you will also have another look at the consultation document before you vote. If you have any questions please ring the Council's transfer helpline on 0800 169 0655 or ring the independent advisor, Adrian Waite, on 0800 028 3365.

Yours sincerely

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