

## What would the improvements mean for me?

As a resident of Ravensbury, any improvements we make to the estate will affect you. We have also produced a new publication, *Your questions answered: shaping the future of Ravensbury*. This aims to answer questions residents may have including specific queries from tenants, leaseholders and freeholders.

If you would like an extra copy of this leaflet please call us on **020 3441 8518**.

## What happens next?

The first phase of our consultation will close at the end of September.

We'll consider all residents' responses and towards the end of the year we hope to announce what decision has been made about the future of Ravensbury. This will include whether we will continue looking at the possibility of part-regeneration/part-refurbishment and what the next steps would be.

We'll continue to update all residents with a newsletter that will be issued every two months. You can also log on to our website **[www.mertonprioryhomes.org.uk/ravensbury](http://www.mertonprioryhomes.org.uk/ravensbury)** to find out more. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact our consultation officers or the Merton Priory Homes team on **020 3441 8518**.



## Contact us

Your views continue to be really important to us. We hope to hear from as many of you as possible until the first phase of the consultation closes at the end of September. If you'd like to arrange for a consultation officer to visit you in your home please get in touch.

**Penny and Winston, your consultation officers, can be contacted on:**

**Tel: 020 3441 8518.**

**Email: [ravensbury@circle.org.uk](mailto:ravensbury@circle.org.uk)**

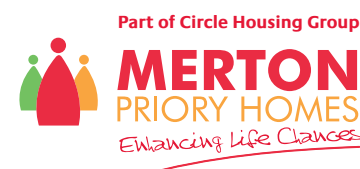
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# Ravensbury News

September 2013 issue

## Thank you to Ravensbury residents as our consultation comes to an end

Merton Priory Homes would like to thank all the residents on Ravensbury for getting involved so far in our consultation. We're very pleased that you shared your ideas at our consultation events and in one-to-one meetings with our consultation officers.

We were particularly pleased that almost 60 residents turned out for our fifth event of the summer. This exhibition provided us with a chance to share all the feedback we've collected so far and to talk more about the options we are considering to improve Ravensbury.

Our exhibition boards included an example of what part-regeneration/part-refurbishment could look like. We reflected what's important to residents as much as possible by taking into

account the preference for more private outdoor space rather than large areas of public open space and parking that is close to your home. In addition to these priorities you've told us about the need to provide well-lit footpaths and homes that are more cost-effective to heat and maintain.

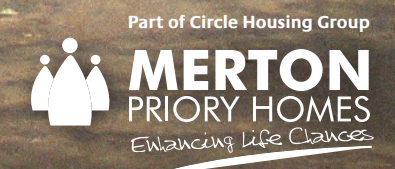
Residents will be at the heart of any decision we make about the future of the estate. After we've considered your feedback in detail, we intend to let you know what decision we will take later in the year. If you have any feedback or questions in the meantime, please get in touch.

**If you haven't had the chance to talk to us yet, it's not too late. Just contact Penny or Winston, the Ravensbury consultation officers, who will be happy to arrange a meeting with you. Winston and Penny can be contacted on 020 3441 8518.**



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As the consultation draws to a close, we've shared our initial thoughts on what a part-regenerated/part-refurbished Ravensbury could look like taking into account the feedback you have given us so far. We updated this following further discussion with residents to ensure that it reflects the priorities you highlighted including the need for private outdoor space and parking that is closer to your home.

## Maintaining the estate as it is

Maintaining the estate would involve:

- Improving homes to the Decent Homes standard where needed
- Installing new bathrooms and kitchens in homes of Merton Priory Homes' tenants that do not meet the Decent Homes standard
- Repairing windows and doors to ensure they are weather resistant where needed

Maintaining the estate as it is would not involve:

- Improving the overall quality of your homes and shared areas
- Further upgrades or improvements to kitchens and bathrooms for those residents who have installed new kitchen or bathroom facilities over the past few years
- Improving parking facilities or access to garages
- Improving maintenance of pathways and estate as a whole including refuse storage and street lighting



## Ideas for how a new Ravensbury could look:

Your homes:

- Regenerating some of the homes and refurbishing others
- New homes suitable for older and less mobile residents
- Private gardens for residents with houses
- Private terraces and balconies for residents with flats
- More accessible layouts
- Well designed homes that are better insulated and more cost-effective to heat

How you move around:

- No through routes
- Safer footpaths, streets and spaces
- Better maintained paths and improved lighting on public footpaths

Your open spaces:

- Improved off-street and on-street parking for residents
- Space dedicated to private outdoor spaces, gardens and balconies
- New rose beds
- Parking for residents
- Clothes-drying areas

Your facilities:

- A new community space
- Better facilities and play areas for children
- Better bin stores and recycling

You can view these exhibition boards from the consultation events at full size on our website:  
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