From: Tom Davies (Cllr) 26 July 2020 13:17 Sent: Tim Ball (Cllr) To:

Cc: Richard Samuel (Cllr)

**Subject:** FW: 23 Grosvenor Place, BA1 6AX

Hello Tim

Just to say that I have found a date with the Julian House team to knock on doors around Grosvenor - it's 10am on Tuesday 4th August. If you were able to join us for all or some of the time, that would be great but fully understand if you're busy.

Richard - FYI - I'm not sure if you are back

Best wishes

Tom

Tom Davies

Liberal Democrat Councillor for Walcot Ward Bath and North East Somerset Council

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----Original Message-----

From:

Sent: 14 July 2020 23:13

To: Tim Ball (Cllr) <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxx.xxx.xx>

Cc: @BATHNES.GOV.UK>; **Tom Davies** 

(Cllr) <Tomxxxxxxx@xxxxxxx.xxx.xxx>

Subject: Re: 23 Grosvenor Place, BA1 6AX

Mr. Ball,

Thank you, that is great news.

Yours sincerely

> On 14 Jul 2020, at 20:29, Tim Ball (Cllr) <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx wrote:

> Tom will be calling on all properties to talk to you about what is happening along with Julian House during the last week of July, I am hoping to join them where we can discuss issues and options with you.

> I look forward to meeting with you.

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> Councillor Tim Ball
> Liberal Democrat a Twerton
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> On 14 Jul 2020, at 19:59,
                                                                 wrote:
> Mr. Ball,
> Thank you ever so much. I knew I read things about security guards and smoking policies -
things I have never mentioned so I was nit cheat if your reply to me was a consolidation of
everything ever raised with you about 23 Grosvenor Place - or of it was never meant for me.
> However given your very prompt reply I am interested in :- the work
> being undertaken as part of the councillors longer term strategy and
> who is doing the work and who are you( they consulting ).
> Thank you for communicating with me.
> Yours sincerely
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- > Thank you for your recent email regarding your concerns about Grosvenor Place. Before I address your questions, I would like to give you some background information.
- > At the end of March, as the national Covid-19 lockdown was starting, central government directed all Local Authorities to provide accommodation for all rough sleepers in order to safeguard their health and the health of the general public. The directive was to make this happen within 48 hours. In Bath & North East Somerset, this was achieved partly by securing the release of 23 Grosvenor Place from Guinness Housing, a process which was already underway. A number of other locations were also secured. As the pandemic has progressed, Housing Services has worked closely with partner-organisations to ensure that the provision was appropriately supported and this continues. Housing Services has revised its procedures to ensure that all available resources are being used to focus on ensuring that, where appropriate, people who were rough sleeping are able to move into longer term accommodation much more quickly.
- > We are aware that there are concerns not only from the people accommodated but also from the wider community about what is likely to happen when the pandemic is no longer at its height and a semblance of normality returns. To address this, we have been working on a strategic approach that will cover both the need to accommodate and support often vulnerable people and be deliverable within tight timetables and with limited resources. This approach includes a short term plan to retain 23 Grosvenor Place and some of the other locations in their current use as supported housing for at least 6 months. This time will be used to examine what the ongoing need is for supported housing for people who have previously slept rough, how we might address this need and what resources might be available to deliver it. The results of that work will inform our longer term plans, including how we consult more widely on the options identified.
- > The issues you raise in your email have been passed on to Julian House and they have given assurances that the security firm working at 23 Grosvenor Place<x-apple-data-detectors://0>have been reminded that they should only ever be outside if they are on a scheduled break or if there is a concern about one of the residents. Following your report, they have also been asked to ensure that any congregations of people living at or associating with someone living at number 23 are dispersed. Please be aware that all residents are allowed to smoke and drink in their flats and so are less likely to be outside for that purpose. Hopefully, by discouraging any friends or associates from outside the building, this should improve.
- > On your reports of illegal or suspicious activity, I strongly recommend that you report these to the Police. For incidents or concerns that are not Police matters, you can contact (Complex Adult Team Leader at Julian House) between the hours of 8 and 4, Monday to Friday. Outside of those hours, you can contact Julian House on 01225 311991<tel:01225%20311991>. They will ask a Duty Manager to contact you.
- > I hope this explains the Council's approach and gives you some assurance that we are endeavouring to balance the needs of vulnerable people with those of the settled community.
- Councillor Tim BallLiberal Democrat a Twerton

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> On 28 Jun 2020, at 14:29, wrote: > > Dear Mr Ball, > Please please could you help me with my query. Councillors Joanna Wright and Dine Romero have both failed to reply to me. I understand you have the portfolio for housing so I am confident you will be able to help me. > I simply want to know the following information:-> What are the short term plans for the use of 23 Grosvenor Place; What > are the long term plans for 23 Grosvenor Place; When do you intend to > carry out consultations with the local residents; Who do I contact to > express my concerns about increased litter, dog mess, shouting/noise and other anti- social nuisance factors. > As you know Mr. Ball this is a Grade 1 Terrace - just like the Royal Crescent and I cannot improve my steps or change the colour of my front door yet the council do not seem to have to adhere to the restrictions place on those living here. > I am also pleased that vulnerable people have been accommodated during this pandemic- but I also want to walk out my front door and be asked for money! > Mr. Ball, I pay my taxes in good faith, you are the public spokesman for the people, please reply and let me know what is happening to 23 Grosvenor Place. > > Yours sincerely >