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Dear Resident,

Planning Application Bells Gardens & Lindley Estate (157-177 Commercial Way)

As you may be aware the planning application for the two new home sites; Bells Gardens and Lindley Estates has been submitted.

It has been brought to our attention that some residents have not yet received their statutory planning consultation letter and some residents may be experiencing slightly longer delivery delays of their than normal.

In light of this the Planning Authority have extended the consultation period for both planning applications until **Friday 11th June 2021**. If you wish to comment on either of the planning applications please do so by this date.

The planning applications details for Bells Garden and Lindley Estate are detailed below:

Reference:	21/AP/0749
Proposal:	Demolition of existing two-storey block, and construction of five-storey residential building, accommodating 44 new council homes - comprising 17 x 1-bed homes, 16 x 2-bed homes, 9 x 3-bed homes and 2 x 4-bed homes - and new landscape courtyard.
Site Address:	157-177 Commercial Way London Southwark SE15 1AU

Reference:	21/AP/1077
Proposal:	Construction of 97 homes, alongside the provision of the existing community facilities on the site as well as new landscaped areas.
Site Address:	Bells Gardens Community Centre 19 Buller Close London Southwark SE15 6UJ

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You can view and comment on the planning application documents by simply visiting <https://planning.southwark.gov.uk/online-applications/> and searching for the application via the reference numbers above.

Written comments can be submitted to; Southwark Council, Chief executive's department, Planning division, Development Management, PO Box 64529, London SE1 5LX.

If you do not have internet access you can use facilities at your local library or 'My Southwark Service Points' to access the websites above.

If you require any further information regarding the planning process please visit <https://www.southwark.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/planning-applications/planning-register-search-for-view-and-comment-on-planning-applications>.

Southwark Council has committed to delivering 11,000 new council homes by 2043 and this is an extremely daunting and challenging target. This target involves exploring all available options to develop new homes for people in housing need, and therefore included a review of council owned assets to test their suitability for upward extensions aka rooftop homes.

Some may be aware that, Lindley Estate, Lympstone Gardens was initially identified along with many other council estates potentially suitable for investigation under the rooftop homes programme in May 2020.

However, the New Homes Development Team took a holistic approach to the level of housing development in the local area and the rooftop homes project was subsequently withdrawn from the current programme and as such there has been no further discussions or engagement with the local TRA and Ward Councillors regarding the prospect of rooftop homes on the Lindley Estate.

The council will continue to explore all opportunities across the borough to create new homes (including rooftop homes) as part of meeting its housing target and will as part of its commitment to consultation, speak to you about this in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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