

Welcome to the Summer 2026 Edition of the Soho Housing resident newsletter!

New Members of the Team

We are pleased to welcome Ramone Gordon to Soho Housing Association, joining us as a new Housing Officer. Ramone will play an important role in supporting residents, managing tenancy matters, and helping to maintain safe, well-managed communities. We are delighted to have him on board and look forward to the positive contribution he will make to our residents and neighbourhoods.



Ramone Gordon

In more good news, we also have Daniel Ogun joining us as the Housing Association's new Surveyor. Daniel will play a key role in helping to maintain our homes and buildings, carrying out property inspections, identifying repair needs, and supporting the delivery of high-quality housing services. We are very pleased to have him join the team.



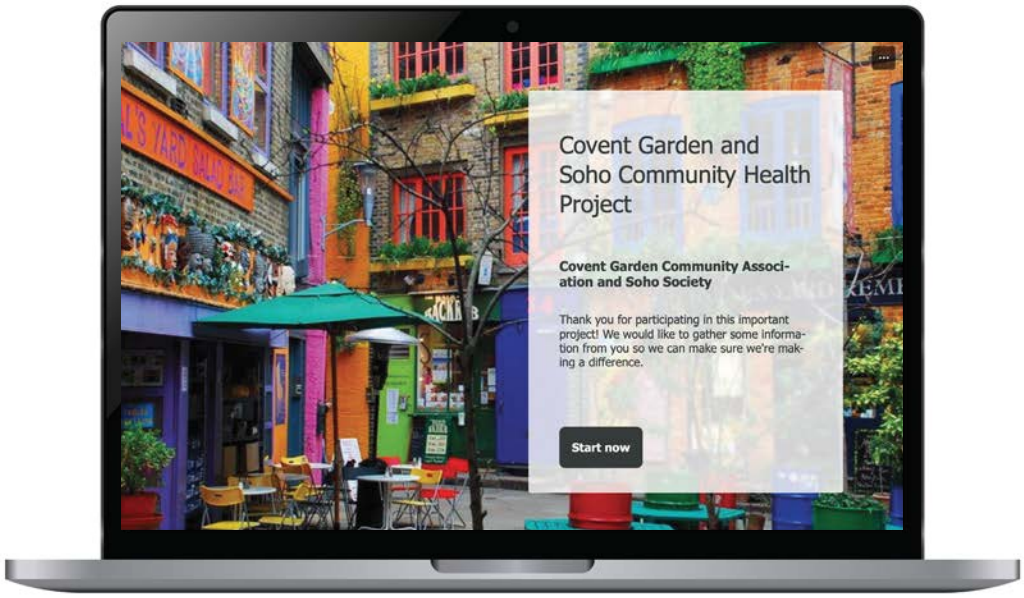
Daniel Ogun

Both Ramone and Daniel's roles will prioritise tenants' experience in different ways, but are ultimately driven by the same end goal: ensuring residents' homes are safe, well looked after and comfortable to live in.

A thank you to resident board applicants

We are so happy to share that we received a strong level of interest from residents applying to sit on the Soho Housing Board. Resident board members will bring vital personal experience of living in Soho Housing properties, offering first-hand advice on how we can continue improving services for all of our residents.

We are well underway with reviewing applications, so do look out for news to follow!



What would make Soho and Covent Garden healthier places to live?

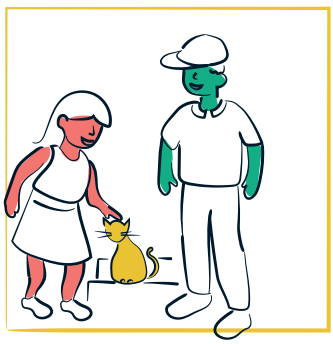
Covent Garden Community Association (CGCA) is conducting research to better understand how people feel about their health and wellbeing across Covent Garden and the wider area, so that we can all work together to improve it.

Rather than relying entirely on experts, reports and assumptions, the CGCA thought it was important to ask local people directly.

The answers so far have covered a wide range of topics: exercise, sleep, loneliness, noise, air quality, green space, community activities, access to facilities, healthcare, volunteering and opportunities to meet other local people.

Some of these are issues that community groups are already working on. Others are not. The project is not focused on any single issue, it is about understanding and improving the health of our community.

The project has now been extended into Soho and as a result, the CGCA are keen to speak with as many residents as they can about their wellbeing and views on how it could be improved.



By speaking to you as residents, the CGCA hopes to use your responses to help turn words into action - whether that be connecting people with services that already exist, enhancing existing efforts or creating something new where there is a gap.

If you'd like to be involved, please complete the short form below.
Covent Garden and Soho Community Health Project –
https://forms.office.com/r/FWV602udQm

Resident Fire Safety Responsibilities



We take the safety of our residents very seriously. Fire safety is a collective responsibility and you can help make all of our community safer by following these simple steps.

In communal areas:

- Keeping communal areas, including stairwells, corridors and landings, clear of personal belongings and other items
- Keeping fire doors in communal areas shut
- Keeping dry risers, wet risers, smoke ventilation systems, and evacuation alert systems in place and unobstructed

In your homes:

- Avoiding storing items that could easily catch fire in areas containing electrical equipment
- Letting us know if you plan to carry out any alterations to doors, walls, ceilings, electrical installations, or other safety measures could affect the building's fire protection systems
- Using balconies safely, by disposing of cigarettes properly and not using barbeques, fire pits or patio heaters
- Storing and charging e-bikes and e-scooters correctly

These simple precautions can help keep fire escape routes in common areas clear and open if they are needed, whilst also reducing the risk of fires in your own homes. Following these steps can protect you, your neighbours, and your home from the risk of fire.

Together, we can create a safer environment for all.





Help With the Cost of Living

If you're finding things difficult, support may be available.

Local services can offer advice on:

- Benefits and financial support
- Energy advice
- Employment and training
- Food support
- Debt advice
- Household budgeting

Don't wait until things become overwhelming - help is available at www.gov.uk/cost-of-living, your local Council or get in touch with your Housing Officer who can help signpost you to other support.

What's on this Summer

In the heart of the City there are always fun events, outings, and activities to attend, many of which are completely free and open to all residents. Visit the City of Westminster, Camden Council and Camden events hubs to learn more about what's on this summer.



Until next time...

We've had a jam-packed few months here at Soho Housing, with new team members and exciting new government funding opportunities – all contributing to our efforts to improve everyday life for residents living in our properties.

Wishing you a fantastic Summer in London!

The Soho Team

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