

By David Beaven. Resident of Foxhill.

Changes to the Charter have been made by the Council and Curo.

In Part 3 of the Charter ("Conclusions and Recommendations")  
Recommendation 3 states "working with residents and stakeholders".

Also, The Executive Forward Plan, ref: E2877, para 1.2 , states "The draft charter has undergone a period of independent consultation with the community and stakeholders".

Foxhill Residents Association do not agree that this has taken place.

I enclose with this statement, a copy of a letter from secretary Nola Edwards, to Councillors Liz Richardson and Tim Warren , which outlines the frustration felt by the Association and residents.

We are thankful for the 3 way meetings, chaired by Councillor Liz Richardson, but are disappointed that many requests for minutes to be taken has not been accepted.

I include parts of a statement, also by Nola Edwards, made to the meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2016.

"I don't feel that we are being listened to or that our concerns are being taken seriously.

To restate what has been said so often, we object to the following :-

The number of social homes available for rent being reduced.

Tenants being forced to move.

Tenants being forced out of Foxhill estate, which will be the inevitable consequence of demolishing more rented homes than are rebuilt.

An increase in population density on Foxhill estate.

A corresponding increase in traffic.

An increase in pollution and a loss of green space.

Spending years living on a building site.

Homeowners being left in limbo while reserved matters are staggered over many years.

The number of relatively expensive private homes being built in Foxhill, drastically changing the demographic of our neighbourhood.

None of these issues have been addressed”.

All attendees at the meeting were given the complete text and a copy sent to Councillor Tim Warren.

A full copy of the text is included with my statement.

CPO's. This continues to concern many residents.

At the 3 way meetings it has been discussed on a number of occasions.

It was agreed, that a written statement on the Council's position should be sent to all home owners. But oh; no minutes!

Finally, I would like to draw the Cabinets attention to a paragraph in the Charter, “Quality of Place”.

It states :- “Establish and respond to a clear set of place making ‘rules’ including appropriate building heights, densities and design guidelines”.

This, for me is one of the most important disclosures of the Charter.

The exhibition of the Master plan for Outline Planning is taking place on 12<sup>th</sup> September.

I believe you are invited to a preview at Curo's premises.

My plea to you is that come to the exhibition and hear the comments of the residents of Foxhill.

My final plea is that approval of the Charter should be postponed until after the exhibition.

Thank You for the opportunity to speak to you.