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# HFTRA Hounslow Federation of Tenants' and Residents' Associations



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#### Arabic

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#### Farsi

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#### Gujarati

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#### Hindi

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#### Panjabi

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#### Somali

Haddii aad rabto koobbi ah warqaddan falanqaynaysa sida aad uga qayb qaadan lahayd arrimaha saameeya dadka guryaha ku jira oo ku qoran luqaddaada, fadlan soo wac 020 8583 2299.

#### Urdu

اگرآپ کوال دستاه پر کی کالی اردوزبان درکارے جوآپ کویی نتا تا ہے کہآپ کیے اُن معاملات میں الوث ہو کتے جاری دراول کر الطبکریں

The information in this leaflet was correct at the time of printing, April 2006.

## Involvement

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#### What is decision-making?

Decision-making is where residents take more of a part in deciding about how their homes are managed. There are several different resident groups to help make these decisions.

#### What sort of things would I be involved in?

Many tenants who already run tenants and residents groups locally, go on to be members of decision making groups, and they become involved in things like making sure repairs are done on time, or that the standard of caretaking and gardening is the best. People can also help improve the way our homes are managed in the future.

#### If I was involved, what would I do?

You could be a member of a forum, a committee, or a working group. You could also become a member of HFTRA executive or Hounslow Homes board.

#### How much of my time would it take?

It does require you to show commitment, as important decisions often need to be made. Some people choose to take on specific jobs in order to achieve the things that residents want. Typically there is something to do for three or four hours a week.

### Decision-making opportunities for residents include becoming a member of one of the following groups:

Hounslow Homes Consultative Committee
Tenants' Joint Consultative Committee
Capital Working Group
Housing Management Forum
HFTRA Executive
Hounslow Homes Board

If you would like more information about decision-making, or would like to know more about other opportunities to get involved with your community, please contact the tenant participation officer (TPO) for your area:

Telephone: East Area 020 8583 4380 West Area 020 8583 4035

Central Area 020 8583 6737

### **George Fry**

Tenant at Garth Court, Chiswick
Member of HFTRA Executive



About five years ago I started to get worried about the future of our housing because there was lots of talk about sell-offs. I was encouraged by my tenant participation officer (TPO) to start Ellesemere Residents Association, which then worked to improve things locally, like getting better garage lighting and improving caretaking.

Like most people it's sometimes an effort to leave home for a meeting on a winter's evening, but you soon realise that this is something that you really want to do.

For me it was having a "hands on" role in helping to manage the Decent Homes programme, that gave many of us new kitchens and bathrooms, that was the best experience. Sometimes however, it has been small things like letting managers know when residents need some extra help and support that can be most rewarding.

I would encourage anyone to have a go.