

GET INVOLVED

Your
Services

Investment Group

Residents and Housing Officers work in partnership to assess and evaluate resident-led bids for improvements and allocate funding to projects.

It's not about choosing your investment preference — it's about questioning, challenging, listening to the requests, and deciding what is right for the Council to do and what most benefits communities as a whole.



FUNDING FOR PROJECTS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO RESIDENTS

By Kim Shearer
Vice Chair, Investment Group

The Investment Group is really important because it is about residents prioritising and agreeing by consensus on how funding is spent on their neighbourhoods. It is also about residents suggesting and agreeing what areas funding is spent on to improve different areas of their communities.

I am currently the Vice Chair of the Investment Group and have been involved in helping to allocate community funding for over 5 years.

The Investment Group was set up in June 2015 and brought together Housing Improvement Projects and Groundwork projects. It is fantastic that residents are working together with officers from the housing team to deliver positive benefits

to council housing communities.

I originally got involved because I wanted to make sure that council housing residents were fully benefitting from the funding opportunities that are available to them. I also come from a background of working with charities, so was keen to work with another charitable organisation such as Groundwork.

In the future, I would really like to see the Investment Group working on the sustainability of the projects that they agree, as well as to work with officers from the housing team to look at new external funding opportunities.



Key Facts Explained

	Every other month
	Meetings are usually held at the Hammersmith Town Hall
	Membership of a group
	Commitment of at least 12 months
	At least 3 hours every other month

It's time for you to make a difference



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The aims of the Investment Group are to:

- Review and agree funding applications for improvements outside the scope of the responsive repairs process or planned maintenance schemes
- Consider funding applications against an agreed set of criteria
- Provide accountability, transparency and value for money in terms of reviewing and agreeing funding application
- Ensure that funding is awarded where it is most needed
- Undertake site visits to check on the quality and sustainability of projects

What will I do as part of the Investment Group?

- Review and agree funding applications from residents groups and housing officers for neighbourhood improvements outside the scope of responsive repairs or planned maintenance schemes
- Provide accountability, transparency and value for money in terms of reviewing and agreeing funding applications
- Visit projects and review resident satisfaction and quality of workmanship
- Work with us to develop ideas for community development

What will be the result of my involvement?

- You will ensure that funding is awarded where it is most needed
- You will be involved in reviewing the sustainability of projects
- You will consider match funding opportunities
- An opportunity to improve your knowledge of housing services and build your confidence

For more information on joining the Investment Group, please contact the **Resident Involvement Team:**

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