



Tenant Board Member Elections

GREEN VALE HOMES

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

TENANT BOARD MEMBER
ELECTIONS

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1. Introduction

There are 6 Tenant Board Member positions on the Board of Green Vale Homes (GVH).

According to the Board Recruitment and Selection Policy Tenants should serve and retire in rotation, in accordance with the Rules of GVH, and each new Tenant Board Member should serve a 3 year term. Any retiring Board Member can re-stand.

Elections for new Tenant Board Members should be held prior to each AGM and constituted Tenants Associations should be specifically invited to nominate a Tenant from their area to stand.

The Election process itself should be commissioned and managed by the Tenants' Forum and all eligible Tenants will be able to stand for election to the Board, as defined by the Rules of GVH.

The Rules of GVH state that at the first AGM after the Transfer date and at every AGM thereafter 2 Tenant Board Members shall retire. Those to retire shall be chosen by lot if not agreed.

This document sets out the Tenant Board Member's Election process and procedure for Green Vale Homes.

This Policy is governed by the Rules of Green Vale Homes.

2. Election Process Structure

The Election process each year will be patch based around the 5 Neighbourhoods i.e. Haslingden, Rawtenstall, Waterfoot, Bacup and Whitworth. The 6th Tenant Board Member will be elected by a Borough Wide Election.

The Rules already specify that each year Elections will be held for 2 Tenant Board Member positions. At the Green Vale Homes Board meeting on the 30th April 2007 Independent Board Members drew lots to determine the rotation of Election areas for the next 3 years, as follows:

Year 1 – Whitworth (volunteered) and Waterfoot (volunteered)

Year 2 – Rawtenstall and Bacup

Year 3 - Borough Wide and Haslingden

3. Managing the Election Process

The Tenants' Forum will oversee the Election process, and the associated work in managing the Election will be delegated to Officers of Green Vale Homes. The Electoral Reform Society will be used to conduct the vote. Any external queries or complaints regarding the Election process should be brought to the attention of the Tenants' Forum and GVH Executive Director, unless the query or complaint was regarding a Forum member, in which case the complaint should be addressed elsewhere, initially with the Executive Director of GVH.

4. Promoting the Elections

The Elections should be promoted each year as widely as possible, making use of the local press and Tenants newsletter. Prospective Candidates will receive an information pack and will be expected to produce an individual Election statement, a pro-forma for which will be provided by Green Vale Homes.

5. Review

This Policy will be reviewed every 3 years.

Date of next review: April 2010.

6. Responsibility

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