

# ESTATE WALKABOUT

## Milner Square



Visited 14 August 2024

**Inspectors:** Cheryl, Lorraine, Marius, Nicky and tenant board member Janice

### **Overall impression**

The inside stairwell and communal area is clean and tidy. A polite reminder not to store any items in shared areas. This includes shoes, rubbish bags, shopping trolleys and any children's toys or bikes.

### **Cleaning, gardening and windows in shared areas**

#### **Cleaning**

Cleaning contractors Dove clean shared indoor areas fortnightly along with the windows (inside) in those parts. Every other month they also clean the outside of these windows. Standards are being monitored closely by our estates officer.

#### **Gardening**

The communal garden is planted and cared for by tenants and we appreciate how much effort it takes. We did notice some weeds in the paving and some plant pots and large rocks on the pathway. This path should always be kept clear for health and safety reasons but also because children play here.

We are looking into the condition of the back wall, which looks to be crumbling.

Leaves in the area near the garages will be swept up by grounds maintenance contractors Groundscape.

### **Main action points**

Please do not leave or store anything on the walkway. We sent a polite reminder about this to all tenants in August.

We will replace an emergency light that is not working in a communal area.

We are giving serious thought to lighting in the communal garden near garages.

### **Other improvements**

#### **New garden waste bin**

If you have any garden waste please use the new garden waste bin. We have paid for this for the whole year.

#### **New suggestion boxes**

On the ground floor you will find a new suggestion box for you to post ideas or suggestions for our services. The box will be emptied weekly and all suggestions entered onto a spreadsheet for consideration or action. You can also send your suggestions to us via our website

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