

Newsletter

March - April 2017

DFTRA Update

This has been a busy time for the board, putting the final touches on our financial year end report. The findings of this and our future plans will be featured in our Annual Report newsletter in September to coincide with our Annual General Meeting. We are working very closely with the complaints team in Dudley Council to develop a process to deal with complaints that we receive in order to follow up on issues that have been dealt with and have a better understanding of changes in policies and ways of working within the Council.

You may know her as 'Karate Phyllis' from local press, Good Morning Britain, TFI Friday or the end of the Halifax Jargon Buster: Karate Master advert but we know her as Phyllis Rowley, the longest serving current Dudley Federation Board member.

Phyllis recently turned 80 years old and we're sure you'll all join us in wishing her a very happy 80th birthday!



Calling all Dudley Council tenants – we want your views!

Housing services is currently carrying out consultation on the housing board constitution, which has recently been reviewed, and we would like you to get involved.

Go to www.goo.gl/rhCBZs to find out more, download the constitution and send us your views via our response form.

The consultation ends Friday 21 April.

Stay up to date on meetings and events - sign up for FREE email and text alerts



Online at www.dudley.gov.uk/housingalerts



Text your surname, house number and postcode to 07797 870352
e.g. Brookes, 10, DY1 1HF (initial text will only cost your standard text rate)

or



Call 01384 815168 to sign up to the service



TRA Updates



Spring time is a great time for our TRAs. Litter picks, estate clean ups and other outdoor events start to pop up like daffodils!

We love seeing hard working members of communities coming together to make positive changes so please don't forget to let us know when you're out and about.

If you wish to hold an event, get in touch with your group's Participation Development Officer on 01384 815168.

The Green Space Improvement Project

Volunteers needed! We have the materials ready to build veg troughs, plant fruit bushes and small planters at a supported living scheme in Quarry Bank - if you think you may be able to help please get in touch on 01384 815168 and ask for Lucy Nearney.

See what's been achieved so far:

dudleygreenspace.wordpress.com

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If you live in:

- Chapel Street Estate
- Hawbush estate
- Corbyns/Bromley area
- Dudley Fields

And want to be involved in your community, there are lots of opportunities available - contact the Participation Team on 01384 815168 or participation@dudley.gov.uk



Flipping good fun!

Despite the drizzly weather, karate Phyllis made an appearance at the Pancake fun day in Brierley hill on 11th February. Many braved the weather to take part in the festivities!

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