

KETTERING BOROUGH TENANTS FORUM
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Eco Homes Project Introduction

This report provides an introduction for the Tenants Forum on the Eco Homes Project

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For Information

Historical Information: Numbers 11 and 12 Top Dysons are 3 bed family homes owned and managed by Kettering Borough Council. The properties have suffered severe structural problems as a result of subsidence in the area. Because of the severity of the structural damage, we had to remove the outbuildings and we have appointed a contractor to carry out chemical stitching of the houses to make sure they are secured and protected from future land movement.

Homes for The Future Project Team

Due to the level of works required, a Project Team has been established to work towards a sustainable future for these homes.

The project is led by Neal Gibson, Housing Maintenance and Investment Manager. It also includes Bill Baker, Project Surveyor, myself, technical staff and a planning officer. Margaret Keevil from the Forum has been actively involved, as has Martyn and Lynne Lund and a number of local residents.

We value the input and opinions of local residents, so invited local residents and the parish council to a consultation event on-site to give information on the project and seek opinions.

What did we consult on?

- Under floor heating
- Ground source heat pumps
- Air to water heat pumps
- Photovoltaics installations
- Cavity, flooring and room insulation
- Water harvesting
- Solar panels
- Window renewal
- Smart metering
- Sustainable Lighting
- Greenhouses
- Biomass Boilers

Consultation Event

The event was held on Thursday 30th September 2010 on the green outside 11 to 12 Top Dysons from 3pm to 7pm.

Staff were available to set out proposals and technical staff were present to discuss advantages and disadvantages of the initiatives under consideration. A total of 19 people attended the event, including 8 of the immediate neighbours.