

OCEAN TENANTS VOTE NO to Sanctuary con trick

Sanctuary plan to:

- ✳️ Build 14 storey tower blocks - no houses with gardens
- ✳️ Build 700 private luxury flats for £300,000 city rich kids – not for us or our children
- ✳️ Demolish Dame Colet, St Dunstons and Haileybury to build private flats
- ✳️ Take away our secure tenancy and change us to assured tenants with less rights
- ✳️ Push up rents and charges
- ✳️ Make you pay water rates and insurance separately
- ✳️ For most of the estate, no improvements are guaranteed - they are only 'proposed'. Have you got a specific promise in writing? NO!
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Ocean tenants say NO

We want repairs and improvements - but we won't let Sanctuary take away our rights.

Tenants in Wapping and Lincoln estate voted NO to transfer last month. All over the country tenants are saying NO to privatisation – we want to keep our council homes AND get improvements.

More than 90 local authorities have voted to keep their homes. MPs from all parties are backing our campaign along with the trade unions and the Labour Party conference has voted to demand government concede the 'fourth option' - direct investment - in council housing.

They are all coming together to hold a Mass Lobby of Parliament on February 8. Together we are a powerful force and can persuade the government to invest in council housing.

This is not the time to give in to private landlords taking over our estates!

Vote NO, make NDC and the Council put their money into the estate NOW and stand by Ocean tenants to get a decent deal - not privatisation.

EVERY VOTE COUNTS DON'T LET THEM PRIVATISE OUR HOMES



Together we can win! VOTE NO!

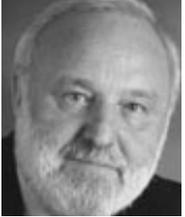
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সাঞ্চুয়ারির বক্তব্যের হেঙ্কিতে ওসেন-এর ভাড়াটেদের বক্তব্য হলো – ‘না’

- আমরা চাই বাড়ির মেরামত ও উন্নতি। কিন্তু আমরা সাঞ্চুয়ারিকে আমাদের অধিকার, জমি এবং অর্থ কেড়ে নিতে দেব না।
- আপনারা ‘না’ ভোট দিয়ে এনডিসি এবং কাউন্সিলকে আমাদের এস্টেটগুলোতে অর্থ বিনিয়োগ করতে বাধ্য করুন। তাছাড়া কাউন্সিল হাউজিং-এ বিনিয়োগের জন্য জাতীয় আন্দোলন সমর্থন করুন।

MPs demand investment in council housing



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Hackney is the one other place Sanctuary have taken over council estates. Here is what two tenants say:

“Sanctuary got the vote by promising the residents complete refurbishment in 5 years. Since the take over the pilot block has still not been finished 9 months into the 5 years they said it would take to refurbish all 100 homes. The pilot block is only 12 homes. The residents I have talked to feel that Sanctuary is letting them down.”

Sanctuary tenant, Morningside estate, Hackney

“Like many tenant reps I believed that transfer was the only way to get money for our homes. I thought there could be nothing worse than Hackney Council. They promised us local democracy and control. In reality the bottom line of the Business Plan decides what we can do.”

Sanctuary tenant, Hackney

Housing is big business

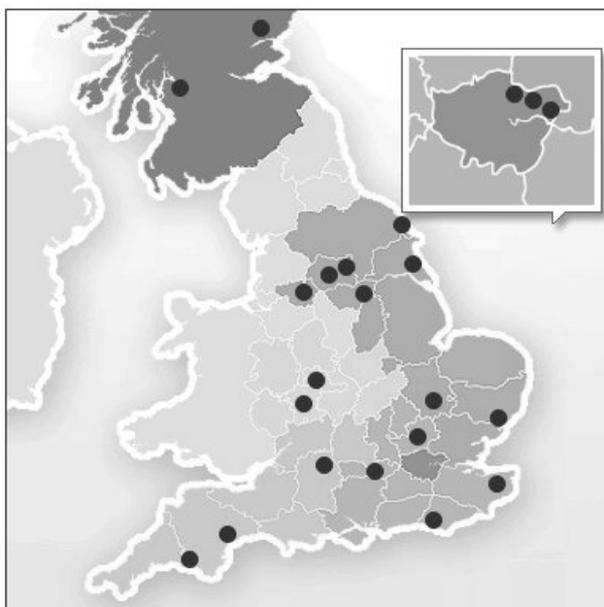
Sanctuary should know - they've got their fingers in lots of pies. If Sanctuary's expansion plans go pearshaped who do you think will lose out – tenants or the big banks?



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Sanctuary is booming. But what happens if they go bust?

Who will lose – tenants or banks?

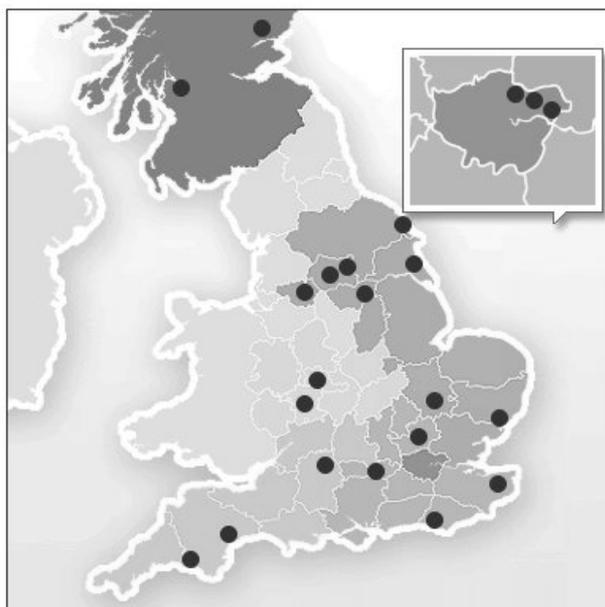

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No to privatisation Demand direct investment

Delegates at the Labour Party conference voted almost unanimously on September 29 to oppose privatisation of council housing:

“...Conference re-affirms its commitment to a 'level playing field' ensuring that funds available for stock transfer will be equally available to Councils to give tenants real choice and provide a long term future for council housing and calls on government to provide the 'fourth option' of direct investment to council housing as a matter of urgency.”

Demand Tower Hamlets Council join with tenants to pile the pressure on government to agree the ‘fourth option’ as an alternative to privatisation.

Now is not the time to let them sell off our homes.
This is a campaign we can win.

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**HANDS OFF OUR HOMES
HANDS OFF OUR POSTERS**

Notice to:

**Sanctuary Housing
NDC Board**

Tower Hamlets Council

**In a democracy people have a
right to discuss and debate.**

**You have £millions to put your
case. We only have posters
and leaflets.**

Stop taking our posters down!

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The latest housing transfer plan is not what we were promised and not what we want

We were promised houses with gardens on the estate, and new houses for over-crowded families. This has now changed to flats, tower blocks, and two-thirds private luxury housing, and the proposed demolition of Dame Colet and Haileybury for private housing.

**We do not want this.
Instead we want the
Ocean NDC Board to
represent our interests.**

**We want improvements
but we don't want a pri-
vate company owning
our estate.**

**Together we can win
direct investment and
avoid the risks of
privatisation.**

- ☛ Sanctuary say they will bring in lots of money - but they are putting in nothing
- ☛ They want to demolish 15 blocks
- ☛ They will only build the bare minimum 440 for rent
- ☛ 103 'low cost' for shared buy/rent - meaning more costs and debts for leaseholders
- ☛ 700+ private luxury flats for £300,000 average
- ☛ They pay nothing for the land - and aim to get £millions from private luxury sales. Unless the housing market crashes - then what?
- ☛ For all the other blocks, no improvements are guaranteed - they are only 'proposed'. Have you got a promise in writing? NO!
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**Ocean says NO to Sanctuary -
don't let them con you. Vote NO**

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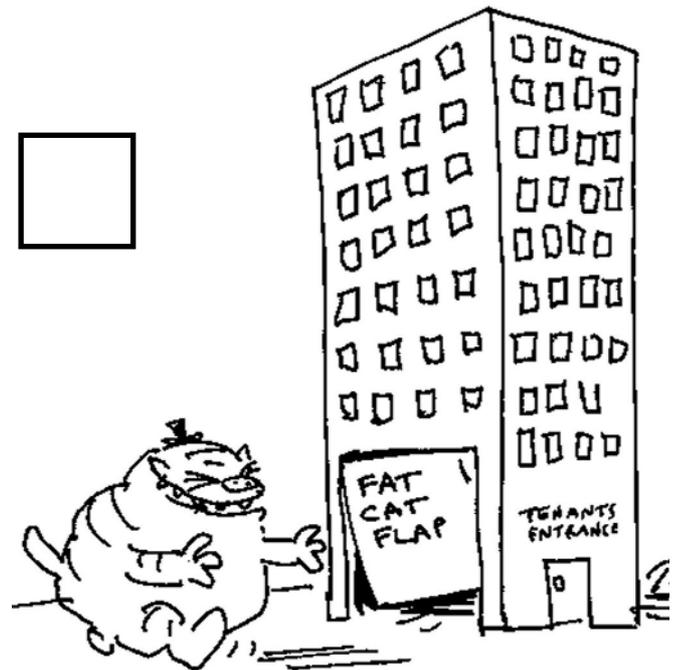
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**David Bennett, Sanctuary
chief executive, earns
£158,000 a year.
His pay increase was
£7,000!**

Is he:

a) worth every
penny?

b) a greedy
fat cat?



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