

# **Braybank Estates Limited**

#### New Year's Newsletter 2016

#### Happy New Year

A Happy and Prosperous New Year from the Board to all our residents and Leaseholders. We look forward to another great year at Braybank, with plenty of activity around the estate as we continue with the areas requiring attention.

#### **External Work**

The painters that were employed at the end of last year were found to be unsatisfactory, despite the recommendation we had. As a result the contract was terminated and the Board is in the process of retendering. It is hoped that this means we will be in a position to go forward with the external repair work and decoration when the weather becomes suitable.

At the same time the Board has tendered to recover the garage roofs (of the houses only), the communal entrance covers, and the bay window roofs, at second floor level, against six properties. In this respect we will see roofing workers back again in the near future. This should however see an end to any roof problems for many years.

### **Composting**

Many of us compost our vegetable waste and food scraps, which is to be encouraged. However the way we do this will change shortly so that we can maximise the use of these as well as some of our garden waste. Michael and Tom have built some compost bins behind the mower shed. These will be used instead of the plastic compost bins which will be removed in the near future, but please do not use plastic bags and ideally empty the so called 'compostable bags' which take too long to degrade.

## Recycling

It has come to light that once again some residents are not bothering to separate their rubbish into what can be recycled and what will go to landfill. The threat we have had in the past from the Royal Borough is that if we do not do this they could withdraw collections from Braybank. This would result in a lot of unnecessary work and cost or even mean we have to dispose of our own rubbish so please can everyone separate their rubbish and place it in the appropriate bins. They are clearly labelled, and it is also helpful if cardboard boxes are collapsed. Thank you