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To Whom it may concern,

Re: Disposal of 12 and 28 Ainger Road

We write regarding 12 and 28 Ainger Road which until the end of April 2015 were part of Camden's young persons' supported accommodation pathway. The service was used as semi-independent living with visiting support staff.

The properties have been owned by Centrepoint since 1992 and have always been used for this purpose with the support contract commissioned by Camden (lead contact Keri Deasy). Following recent cuts however Camden decided to decommission the service associated with the two Ainger Road properties with the contract coming to a close at the end of April 2015. All tenants have now vacated the properties, moving into appropriate alternative housing within the borough with the last two tenants vacating on 1st August 2015.

As the properties were acquired using Housing Corporation grant (now GLA's remit), the decommissioning of the support element triggered a 'relevant event' for repayment or recycling of this capital grant. According to our contract with the GLA and the rules around disposal, we would not be allowed to retain the units for general needs housing. As such, we plan to dispose of the units to recycle the grant and enable capital projects outside of Camden. We did discuss development opportunities with Camden to use the grant within the borough but unfortunately Camden did not require any accommodation for use by our client group.

Centrepoint plan to dispose of the units during 2015/16 and have notified the commissioning team of this intent to dispose. If you have any queries or require any further details please do not hesitate to contact me, or alternatively speak to Keri Deasy within the Council.

Kind regards

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