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## Meeting Housing Association Executives

We now have a series of meetings scheduled with housing association executives throughout the summer. Such meetings offer the opportunity to speak directly to chief executives and press for improvements to services at a strategic level.

Most landlords answered our request positively and quickly, showing that SHAC is growing in authority.

The exception was Ian McDermott of Peabody who turned down our request. Apparently however Ian is *"always happy to talk to Peabody residents [and will] listen and discuss any issues residents raise with me"*. You can contact him [here](#). We also eagerly await a response from Clarion.

Ahead of each executive meeting, the relevant branch elects the delegates and decides on the issues which are then written up and circulated to all branch members for comment. A second branch meeting is scheduled afterwards for delegates to report back.

<b>BRANCH MEETINGS</b>	<b>Branch</b>	<b>Exec Meeting</b>	<b>Report Back</b>
SHAC@Hyde	Met	<b>Met</b>	6.30pm, 7 June
SHAC@L&Q	6.30pm, 12 July	<b>6 Sept</b>	6.30pm, 7 Sept
SHAC@MTVHA	6.30pm, 26 June	<b>13 Sept</b>	6.30pm, 14 Sept
SHAC@NHG	Met	<b>10 August</b>	6.30pm, 14 Aug
SHAC@OHG-RHG	6.30pm, 26 July	<b>8 August</b>	6.30pm, 9 Aug
SHAC@Southern	Meeting agreed -dates to be confirmed		

All branch and themed meetings are listed on our [Events](#) page.

## New on SHAC Web



### Some Success as MTVHA Residents' Strike Grows

The dispute by the Royal Mint Court Residents Association (RMCRA) is now underway after their landlord, Metropolitan Thames Valley Housing Association (MTVHA), failed to fully address their issues. However, the strike threat itself has already prompted welcome progress in a dispute that has been grinding on for years.

[Read more.](#)



### Housing Ombudsman on Good KIM

The Housing Ombudsman has published a Spotlight report on knowledge and information management (KIM). SHAC and Disability Visibility lead Carl Davis offer analysis of the positive and negatives of the Ombudsman's research. This includes criticism that housing associations are too easily let off the hook for failings and that new measures to assess reasonable adjustments will need sensitive handling. [Read more.](#)



## SHAC in the News

Byline Times has reported on social housing providers amassing billions in surpluses while a record number of tenants suffer poor conditions and treatment.

The article quotes from a report leaked by SHAC showing housing associations led by Riverside spent thousands of pounds lobbying government to restrict tenant and resident access to justice over disrepairs claims.

[Read more.](#)



## Disability and Housing Campaigning

The Homes for Us alliance held a very successful discussion facilitated by Inclusion London and Disability Rights UK on housing and disability. You can download the slide pack [here](#).

A further meeting is planned and will agree what action the alliance can take over accessible housing. This will be on **Thursday 8th June at 10.30-12.00, online.**

Sign up to attend the meeting [here](#).



## Shared Ownership: The Consumer Perspective

Our campaign partners Shared Ownership Resources have produced a new report: 'Shared Ownership: The Consumer Perspective'. This is the first review of the scheme to focus exclusively on the consumer perspective. The report is underpinned by the experiences of shared owners, with a particular focus on long-term outcomes and impact. [Read more.](#)

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