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# **10 Year Anniversary**

16<sup>th</sup> September 2023

## **OVERVIEW**

October 2023 signifies 10 years since SOMA registered with the FCA as a company limited by guarantee and a Co-Operative. SOMA has arranged this event in order to promote the organisation and our Aims and Objectives.

#### AIMS and OBJECTIVES

It is SOMA's intention to create social housing to exceptional standards and quality which will be available at affordable rents to our members. SOMA is looking to recruit new members and revitalise the company in order to achieve our goals. This is an opportunity to raise funds as well as awareness of issues currently affecting tenants in social housing, specifically those who experience mental health issues.

#### **DISCUSSION TOPIC**

Specifically, on the day we will be drawing attention to an alarming trend which we are bringing into the spot light, where tenants find them selves abused by housing officers and facing eviction by ASB officers acting in negation of their guide lines and avoiding the protective safety nets which are built into Tenancy Agreements and ASB Policy.

We are hoping to find a barrister who will act on behalf of these people in order to seak a Judicial Revue of some ASB cases still pending, as well as some cases which actually resulted in court action, with the landlord seeking repossession of the property and committal to prison for "so called" ASB.

# **GOALS** of the **EVENT**

- 1. Attract new members
- 2. Raise funds in order to build social housing for SOMA members and administer the process
- 3. Raise awareness of systemic abuse of tenants by landlords and their ASB officers.
- 4. Find a legal representative to seek justice for those being abused

5. Bring the observed trend of abuse to the attention of the County Court officials who are involved without being aware that the system which they administer is being gamed by social housing ASB officers.

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

START TIME: 1pm 16th September 2023

END TIME: 7pm

LOCATION: SID's land, Kidlington, Oxford.

## **ITINERY**

1pm Opening welcome speech. David Urmston director. 10 minutes

#### 10 minute talks by ,

Danny Nasirpour, SOMA Ambassador and international performing artist.

Oxford Community Land Trust

Transition by Design

MIND

CRISIS / SKYLIGHT

Shelter

Agnes Smith Adive Centre

Barton Advice Centre

Achievers UK

Dementia UK

Discussion time 1 hour ?

# **Cinema Marquee**

#### **Music Marquee**

4pm - 5pm Drumming and percussion workshop

5pm - 6pm Barmy Army

6pm - 7pm The Gees

7pm END