



— 1988~2018 —

 **The Tantum Story began in 1988**

Welcome to Tantum's story

It was over 30 years ago that a number of activists from Nottingham's black community set up Tantum Housing Association with the aim of providing good quality housing and jobs for people from the BME community in Nottingham. This was followed by registration with the Housing Corporation in December 1988 as part of a national strategy to register and develop BME led housing associations. Tantum was the 25th housing association to be registered under this scheme.

Since then Tantum has grown to become one of the foremost housing associations of its kind in the United Kingdom. It has achieved this position over the last 30 years by being willing to take bold and innovative steps to solve problems and make a difference to peoples' lives in the city of Nottingham and elsewhere in the East Midlands. This was not only related to the provision of good quality housing and support, but also to non-housing issues such as the Nottingham Carnival and the response to the arrival of dozens of Montserratians fleeing Volcano Soufriere.

Tantum operates with a strong social conscience going out of its way to support humanitarian causes such as fundraising for hurricane relief, arranging homes for 50 Syrian refugees and enabling a passenger from the SS Empire Windrush to return to Jamaica for the first time in fifty years.

We hope you enjoy reviewing Tantum's journey from 1988 told with the numerous pictures and stories in this publication.



Our vision:

*Quality homes,
quality services, quality lives*

Our Mission Statement:

To be a dynamic, viable and independent social business providing excellent quality homes, supporting people and communities in need and improving lives.

Our values:

Trustworthiness and integrity

Uniting diverse people and making a difference

New ideas and approaches as an independent organisation

Tenant and customer driven

Using surpluses to improve lives and communities

Motivated, positive and diligent Board and staff





1988 Leroy Wallace, 1947 - 1991.



Key partners from the very beginning.

Turnover
£49k

1988



The Housing Corporation Document.

1988



Shareholder's Certificate.

1988



Our first members.

1991



Delores Price joined as a Housing Officer in 1991. Now Head of Specialist Housing, Delores is the longest serving member of staff.

1991



Tuntum moved from a rented office and purchased 80 Beech Avenue. The building has since been converted into flats attached to the Imaani Project.

Turnover
£331k

1991



Tuntum's first development in partnership with Nottingham Community Housing Association on the site of the former Hyson Green flats where 4 flats and 19 houses were built.

1991



Tuntum's second new build development was at the Connaught Gardens site in Radford (now called Leroy Wallace Avenue) where 26 two bedroom flats and 2, 3 and 4 bedroom houses with wheelchair access were built.



1994

Richard Renwick joined Tuntum Housing Association as Chief Executive in 1994. Prior to that, Richard worked as a Freelance Accountant and Management Consultant and as a Monitoring Officer with the Housing Corporation.

1994

Tuntum's tenants first newsletter, 1994.



1994



Annual Report 1994/5.

1995



Staff members wrap presents for the tenants Christmas party.

1994

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Tuntum secures its first loan of £2.6 million from The Co-operative Bank. L-R Sheron Riley (former Chair), Richard Renwick (CEO), Stan Harrison (Co-operative Bank), Harris Joshua (Former Treasurer), David Huddleston (Browne Jacobson Solicitors).

1995



An early board meeting.

Tuntum's office at 80 Beech Avenue was renamed 'Leroy Wallace House' in memory of one of the founder members who sadly passed away.



1995



CEO, Richard Renwick and Chair Sheron Riley sign a partnership agreement committing six housing associations to transferring 258 homes to Tuntum.

1995



Tuntum celebrated the opening of the Moorgreen Drive Estate in Strelley, Nottingham. This was a consortium development of 268 homes involving Tuntum Housing Association and three other Nottingham based housing associations.

Tying yellow ribbons around the estate was the theme for the opening.

1995



A colourful parade at the Moorgreen Drive Estate official opening celebration

Quality homes prove a point

The successful completion of the Moorgreen Drive Estate represents the end of a six-year challenge to develop the 15.5-acre site in Strelley.

Back in 1989 the City Council received a Direction Order from the Department of the Environment to forcibly sell the site which was beset with problems including methane from an adjacent refuse tip and former mine shafts all of which have been meticulously overcome in the ensuing years.

The site now hosts 268 rented homes of high quality design and insula-

tion, comprising the largest housing association development in Nottingham for over 25 years.

The estate was built for the Nottingham Consortium of Housing Associations by Wimpey Homes Ltd at a cost of £11.5 million, £8.7 million of which was met by Housing Corporation grants.

The homes have been let in conjunction with the City Council to provide a balanced community, and a Tenants Participation Strategy is being ensured, including the implementation of a single Tenants' Association.

Coun Graham Chapman, Nottingham

City Council's then Chair of Housing who assisted with the spectacular formal opening of the estate, said of the scheme:

"The proposed formation of a tenants' association upon this new estate is essential for the long term development of a strong local community and to ensure the success of this housing scheme."

A Chinese dragon built by children from the Moorgreen Drive Estate and Nottingham Community Arts was used in the street party and colourful parade, including jugglers and musicians, which marked the official opening of this innovative housing estate.

Labour sweeps the board

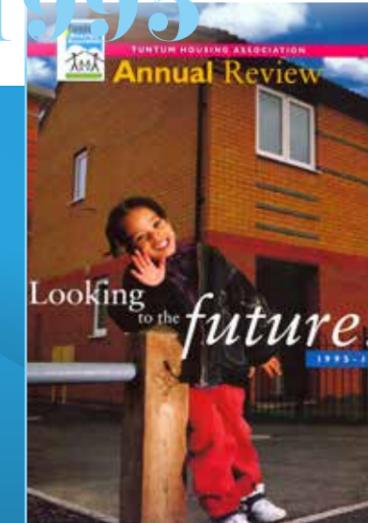
THE local government elections produced a landslide victory for the Labour Party in Nottingham, with 51 of the 55 seats in Nottingham City Council being won by Labour candidates. The make-up of the Council is now: 51 Labour, 2 Liberal, 1 Green Party, 1 Conservative.

The new leader of the Council is Coun Graham Chapman. He has taken over from Coun John Taylor, who resigned as leader following the elections.

For details of your city councillors, ward by ward, turn to page 15

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This Deed is made the 29th day of October 1996

Whereby in consideration of the obligations referred to herein Anchor Trust transfers all its rights and interests of whatsoever nature in the property known as Acacia Court St. Anns Well Road Nottingham to Tuntum Housing Association Limited To hold the same in fee simple absolute and Tuntum Housing Association Limited hereby covenants with Anchor Trust to continue the use and maintenance of Acacia Court as a home for elderly people

Signed on behalf of

Anchor Trust

[Signature]

Signed on behalf of

Tuntum Housing Association

In October 1996, the ownership of sheltered housing scheme, Acacia Court, was handed over to Tuntum from Anchor Trust. This was renamed some years later as Lyn Gilzean Court after one of our former Board members and has undergone redevelopment over the last year.

Homes for Montserrat Refugees



Church gift to help refugees

CHURCH leaders in Notts have presented £280 to help people evacuated from the Caribbean island of Montserrat.

More than 60 refugees came to Nottingham last year after fleeing from a volcanic eruption on the island, which is a British dependency.

Most of them have now been housed in the city and are being given help to find work and settle.

The cash gift from the Notts Council of Churches was handed to the Sheriff of Nottingham, Coun Tony Robinson, who is chairman of the Montserrat Welcoming Committee.

Montserrat fundraising co-ordinator Richard Renwick said more than £3,000 had now been raised by local people to help the refugees.

"The reputation of Nottingham as a city for welcoming new arrivals is well deserved," he added.



CASH HELPER:
Richard Renwick

In July 1995 the Volcano Soufriere erupted on the island of Montserrat in the Caribbean burying the capital Plymouth in 12 feet of ash and killing over 23 people. As a colony of Britain, Montserratians are entitled to British citizenship and so in 1997 it was announced that the British government would evacuate Montserratians by aircraft to Britain. The CEO, Richard Renwick, contacted Nottingham City Council to ask if any of the evacuees were coming to Nottingham and was told that a number of families would be arriving in a few days.

In typical Tantum style, a welcoming committee was very quickly established and the first black Sheriff of Nottingham, Cllr Tony Robinson, agreed to chair it. The committee was made up of representatives from various departments of the City Council and other housing associations; and under Tantum's leadership a plan of action was devised. By the time the first four of 20 families arrived, a warm welcome was awaiting them at Tantum's Sheltered Scheme Acacia Court, now called Lyn Gilzean Court.

CITY WELCOME FOR FAMILIES FLEEING CARIBBEAN VOLCANO HELL

Refuge in new home...

By PHIL GOULD

THE first of 20 refugee families from stricken Montserrat arrive in Nottingham today.

Four families from the devastated Caribbean island are being welcomed to the city by Nottingham Sheriff Coun Tony Robinson and Byron ward councillor Eulucie Campbell.

The families have been living in temporary accommodation on the neighbouring island of Antigua before flying to this country.

They are among thousands of families who have had to come to live in Britain instead of being housed on other islands in the Caribbean.

Montserrat is dominated by the Soufriere Hills volcano, which started to erupt in July 1995 after 600 years of being dormant.

In July this year a series of eruptions raked the island, leaving 33 people dead and destroying the capital Plymouth.

The reception for the refugees is being hosted by Tantum Housing Association, which has also organised a committee to look after the refugees' needs.

Richard Renwick, chief executive of the housing association, said the families will have a great of adjusting to do to adapt to their new way of life.

He said: "People have been literally being flying into this country and then been dispatched to other cities."

"We have set this committee up so they can receive advice and help about starting their new life in Britain."

Housed

"They have had a very traumatic time seeing their homes destroyed and will find they have to undergo many cultural changes, not to mention the difference in climate at this time of year."

"All that they will be housed in temporary accommodation before finding their permanent homes."

He added: "We are just trying to smooth things out for them and help them to settle into living in Nottingham."

SCIENTISTS IN HOT SEAT ON MONTSERRAT MISSION

TWO scientists from the Notts-based British Geological Survey were in the hot seat studying the erupting Montserrat volcano.

Dr Richard Luckert and Dr Richard Heard spent three months on the island as part of a team of scientists and geologists.

The Keyworth-based geological survey has been sending people to the island for the last two years to study the volcano.

As well as using the latest seismic technology to try to work out how the volcano would act, seismologist Dr Luckert and volcanologist Dr Heard went out to the volcano to carry out tests.

Geologists at Keyworth are collecting data from Montserrat which they intend to use to study other volcanoes.

DESTRUCTION: Some of the devastation caused by the volcano






Richard Renwick, CEO, said:

"We had to move very quickly to provide support for the Montserratians. Many had no idea where Nottingham was and when they arrived some were without proper clothing. The co-ordination by the British authorities left a lot to be desired and we spent many days late into the night trying to reconnect family members that were flown to different parts of the UK."

Weathering life as city refugees

Crime a fear for islanders

By CATRIONA CUMMINGS

REFUGEES from Montserrat say they are still struggling to adapt to their new lives in Nottingham — and fear of crime and the weather are the main reasons.

The city is home to 23 families forced to quit the Caribbean island a year ago because of volcanic eruptions that killed 23 people.

Richard Dyett, 31, arrived in Nottingham with his daughter, Rosa, 11, Nadia, 18, and grand-children Herson, nine, and eight-year-old twin Ryan.




The welcome given to the Montserratians was seen as good practice to follow by other cities, it included presentations on arrival about the City of Nottingham and what was being planned for their welfare. They were then dispersed to homes made available by Tantum, Nottingham City Council and other housing associations. Donations from Tantum and local churches enabled the provision of essential furniture and white goods for their homes. All of this was coordinated by staff from Tantum and the City Council.

1997



Dame Penelope Keith and Cllr Graham Chapman joined the celebrations for National Housing week in the Market Square, Nottingham, June 1997.

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Tuntum moves to new office on 90 Beech Avenue.

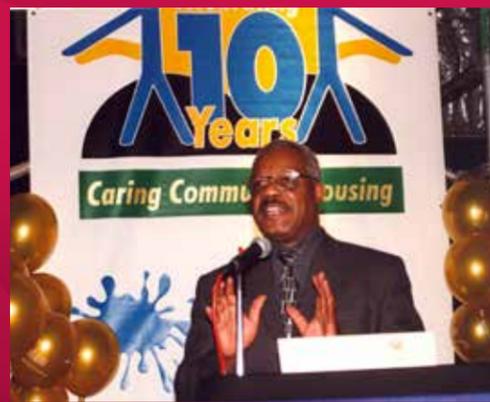
1998



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Staff and board members celebrate Tuntum's 10th anniversary.



Harris Joshua, Chair, greeting guests at the 10th anniversary celebration dinner.

543

homes in ownership and management

1999



Imaani, Tuntum's supported housing project for young women, opened in 1999. The scheme was named after Imaani, a singer from Nottingham who placed second at the Eurovision Song Contest in 1998.

Turnover
£1,482k

573

homes in ownership and management

1999

Former PBC student brings gift of cash for QE Home

The Chief Executive Officer of a non governmental organisation in England made a monetary donation to the Matron of the Queen Elizabeth Home Ms Beryl Sylvester last week Friday. The gift, a cheque for £1440 was presented by former student of the Presentation Brothers College, Mr Richard Renwick of Tuntum Housing Association in Nottingham. The funds were raised at the Association's Annual Corporate Dinner held on the 09th December. This is the second such donation made to the Home by the Association which has made donations to similar schemes throughout the Caribbean.



CEO, Richard Renwick, presents a cheque to The Queen Elizabeth Home for young children in Grenada. The money was raised at Tuntum's annual dinner.

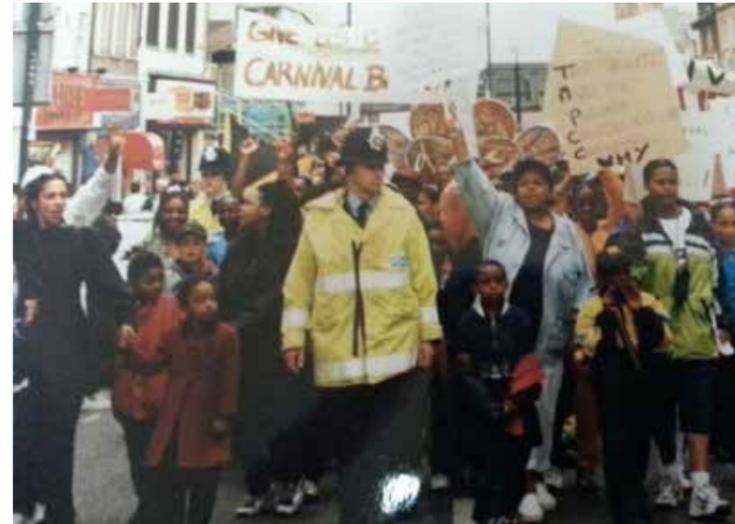
Community Development Award 1999.

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Rescuing the Nottingham Carnival

Nottingham Caribbean community were so upset with the cancellation of Carnival 1998 that hundreds attended a city centre march in protest.



The Nottingham Caribbean Carnival was first held in 1958 and is one of the oldest Caribbean carnivals in the UK. Although only held a few times after that date, in the early 1990s it was revived by a number of people from Nottingham's black community.

However, in 1998 the Carnival was cancelled by Nottingham City Council due to a lack of confidence in the organisers at the time. The cancellation brought about a significant protest from the community and hundreds marched

against the City Council for taking away their cultural event. In response, the City councillors promised to support a revival of the carnival in 1999 provided new event organisers could be found.

An attempt was made to establish a new organising committee and Tuntum's office was used as the meeting place. However, the new committee struggled to organise the event and as time was passing, the City Council approached the Board of Tuntum to ask if they would take on the organising and running of the Carnival. Tuntum's closeness

to the local community, its organising capacity and its ability to attract new volunteers was the only hope for the revival of the Carnival.

The 1999 Carnival was a massive success and by far the largest ever held in the City. Hundreds of young people in colourful costumes danced through the streets of Nottingham's inner city areas and thousands gathered at the Forest Recreation Ground to hear dozens of musicians including international reggae artists.

As a result, Tuntum rescued an event that was of paramount importance to Nottingham particularly its black community. The association became the organising hub for dozens of volunteers many of whom were tenants and all with a great passion for sharing their cultural heritage brought to the UK by the Windrush generation.

FBHO 16th ANNUAL CONFERENCE 29th - 31st October 1999

Housing, Regeneration...and don't stop the Carnival

Tuntum is well known in Nottingham for quality housing, high standards of customer care, the professional staff and management and the diversity of its housing provision, and other activities

the cancellation seriously affected the credibility and confidence of the black community in Nottingham. Tuntum was approached by Nottingham City Council and asked if they would take the lead in reviving this event.

This year Tuntum added another unusual dimension to its already diverse list of activities when it took responsibility for organising the revival of the Nottingham Caribbean Carnival. In 1998, the Nottingham Caribbean Carnival was cancelled because of concerns over its management. This was a bitter blow for the black community and for the thousands who flocked to Nottingham for what was probably the largest such event of its kind outside the Notting Hill Carnival. In that special year when the arrival of West Indians on the 55 Windrush was being celebrated,

Tuntum's response was typical of the way the Association sees its role. As Chief Executive, Richard Renwick, explained "The negative social, political and even economic consequences were enormous if the cancellation had become a permanent feature. At a time when 'social exclusion' was high on the agenda this was certainly no way to promote a culturally diverse 'inclusive' society. As the largest black organisation in the region we had a responsibility to save the Carnival".

Tuntum's strategy epitomised the way in which a professionally managed black housing association can respond in such circumstances. A trust called the Nottingham Carnival Trust was established with individuals from the City Council, local black businesses and community groups. High profile patrons were appointed which included Manchester United and England footballer Anty Cole, and the singer Innaam.

Whilst the Trust took legal responsibility for the Carnival's finances, Tuntum provided the base and management for the event. With financial help from the City Council, a co-ordinator and advisers on musical stage shows and costume design

were engaged. Fund-raising was not easy because of the carnival's past reputation. Nevertheless, over £60,000 was raised from sponsors, stall-holders and the Local Authority. Greater emphasis was put on a traditional carnival parade initially by changing the day of the parade from the Saturday to the Sunday and then by investing a lot more resources towards costume design and development.

Finally, after months of late evenings and sleepless nights, by far the most successful Nottingham Caribbean Carnival took place. On a sunny August weekend, in weather more typical of the Caribbean, over 50,000 people enjoyed two days of Caribbean style entertainment. This included more than 50 UK based and international musical acts, four large marquees with DJs from the UK, the Caribbean and the States, over 60 stalls selling a range of Caribbean foods and the highlight of the weekend 'The Big Parade.' This comprised over 600 revellers in different themed costume competing for big prizes. Over 20 community organisations and colleges from various parts of Nottingham and also from Leicester and Oldham, participated. Local politicians and the press heralded the weekend as an outstanding success. As a spectator said in the Nottingham Evening Post, "It's great. This is the event could be better formalised. As Richard Renwick finally says: "The wider community and the Local Authority want us to continue to run this Festival and to build on what we achieved this year - it would be hard to let them down. Nevertheless, we are aware that we need to ensure that this tremendous 'added value' does not get in the way of the quality services we offer to our tenants".

one day of the year you can guarantee to see all cultures and races together and getting on!" The image of adults and children from all different cultural backgrounds dancing in the streets to the sound of steel bands and Soca DJs did a tremendous amount for the promotion of positive race relations in the Midlands.

As for The Millennium Carnival next year, already people are beginning to make plans and it is widely accepted that without Tuntum's backing and support next year's Carnival could not succeed. The Association is therefore exploring ways in which its rules could improve so that its relationship with the Carnival Trust and Tuntum's direct involvement with the

THE BIG PARADE
Comeback for axed carnival

The colour of calypso

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Richard Renwick, CEO, said: **"The rescue of the Nottingham Carnival was evidence that Tuntum was responsive to the wider needs to Nottingham's black community."**

Twenty years later and Tuntum is still the glue that binds together hundreds of volunteers, who put on an event that enriches the cultural life of the City and brings people of all generations and backgrounds together.

1999



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Nottingham Carnival participants receiving their certificates in 2000.

2000



4 new bungalows completed on Palin Street, Nottingham. Built on the site of a former banana storage warehouse.

2001



The sod-turning ceremony for 4 new bungalows in Bestwood, Nottingham. Later named after Cllr Tony Robinson, the first black sheriff of Nottingham.

691

homes in ownership and management

2001



Balisier Court, one of the two sheltered schemes in St Ann's, Nottingham, was officially opened by RT Hon Lord Falconer QC – the Minister for Housing.

Richard Renwick said:

“Balisier Court was previously a redundant, dilapidated City Council scheme called Saddleworth Court which no other housing association would take from the council. Tuntum stepped in to completely refurbish and modernise it with support from the Housing Corporation, creating a valuable and now popular sheltered scheme for the people of St Ann's.”

2001

High-tech boost for homeless refuge

Karibu House, a refuge offering help to young homeless people in the NG7 area, has received thousands of pounds worth of hi-tech computer equipment thanks to a grant from the government. By Trevor McGrail

Local MP John Heppell attended the 'grand opening' event at Karibu House - founded in 1983 by members of the local black community who felt young people faced racial discrimination in traditional hostels — and talked to youngsters making use of the new state-of-the-art facilities.

The 'IT suite', funded by the Department of Education, includes 10 PCs, 3 laptops and a 'smart board' - a touch sensitive electronic 'blackboard' used for teaching. There is disabled access and a computer adapted for use by people with physical disabilities.

The new facilities have been set-up to help deliver on-site courses ranging from basic numeracy, literacy and computing skills to creative writing and media studies.

Louisa, 17, who has been living at Karibu House for 8 months, said: "The training courses help a lot. We're not just sitting around. I'm learning to use com-

puters and to get better basic skills. I hope to get my own place, a bank account and a job, and I'd like to go into childcare or elderly-care work.

"Being here has helped to boost my confidence. The staff here treat you with respect. I get on well with them. Everybody does. The atmosphere is good. It helps a lot."

James Evans, Foyer Training and Development Co-ordinator said: "We aim to give people a chance to learn new skills and gain real qualifications, and to help lift their self-confidence through working together."

"We are open to people of all backgrounds. Anyone can use the IT equipment, unemployed or working, old or young, different ethnic groups and single mothers. This is all about empowering people in the local community."

To find out more about training and assistance offered at Karibu House, call 9110770.



Heppell to the beat: Karibu House residents meet their local MP John Heppell

Karibu House, a hostel for young people, owned and managed by Tuntum Housing Association opens an IT training room.

The Old Vicarage - A scheme for young mothers

The Old Vicarage was built in 1897 and was one of the prominent buildings in Hyson Green before it was converted into flats by Longhurst Housing Association in the late 70s. In 2002 the building was acquired by Tuntum and remodelled into an award winning scheme for seven teenage mothers. The refurbishment included an extension at the rear for an office and a communal area which was given a Nottingham Civic Society Award in 2003. Also, later on, the Old Vicarage

won the BMESpark Award as the most innovative scheme for its approach to building relationship bonds between teenage mothers and the fathers of their babies.

The scheme was also one of six Department of Health/Housing Corporation good practise pilot projects. It was also visited by Parmjit Dhandra, as parliamentary under-secretary for communities and local government.

Nicola said:

“I wanted to put something back in. And I wanted to prove that you don't have to be on benefits for the rest of your life.”



“My sidekick” Nicola Kent with baby Usman — they found the Old Vicarage offers invaluable support

Britain has more teenage mothers per capita than any other country in western Europe. And Nottingham has one of the highest teenage pregnancy rates in the country. Vicky Anning visits one Hyson Green scheme for young mums that is trying to buck the trend

There's no need to go it alone

Nicola Grade had just turned 17 when she found out she was pregnant. She had always been the bright spark in the family and had never wanted children. She didn't show up the average 10 till her mum and dad said she was seven and a half months pregnant. Although she was doing their 10th birthday party home with her teachers and sisters, she managed to take her growing belly because she slipped home late at night after work when, everybody else was asleep.

“This was the 1980s, and the stigma around teenage pregnancies was still immense. “I was frightened I'd be kicked out,” says Nicola, now 20. “I think a lot of girls are.”

2003



The Old Vicarage was opened by Bob Walder, CEO of Longhurst Group, and Councillor Des Wilson, Deputy Lord Mayor.

2003



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**Turnover
£3,152k**

2003



Tuntum's 15 years celebrations.

2003



Teenage mothers from the Old Vicarage on a day trip to Liverpool.

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and management

2003



Staff and residents of Karibu hold a 'Celebrations of Culture' day, with world foods and dress.

2004



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2004



In July 2004, the Leicester office was opened by Julia Fawcett, board member of the Housing Corporation to deal with the increasing number of properties in the area and also in anticipation of a large stock transfer and the completion of Stephenson Drive in New Parks, Leicester.

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2004



Tuntum launched its first Shared Ownership scheme in Basford.

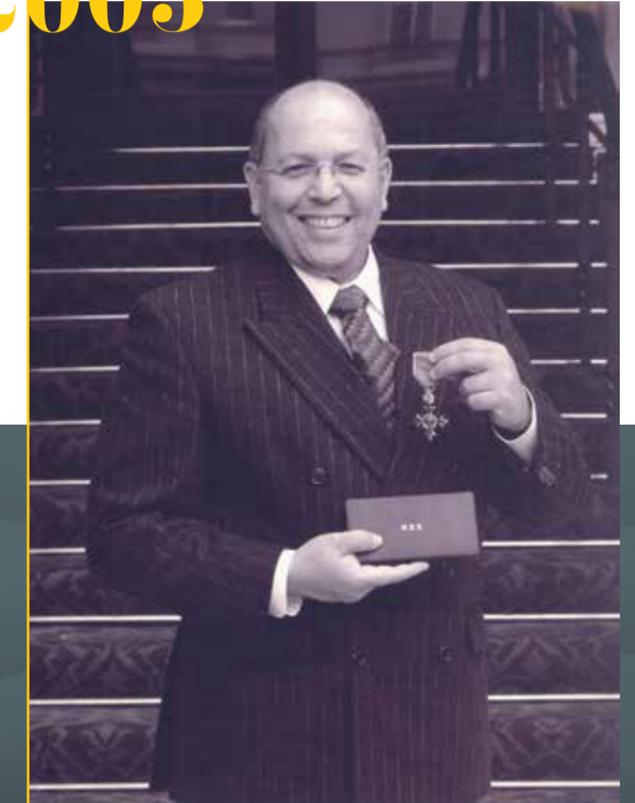
Fund raising for hurricane relief in Grenada



Barrington Billings, (CIH President, 2005) said:
“In 2005, when I was elected to the presidency of the Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH) I needed a worthy cause for my presidential appeal. Tantum approached me to support their fundraising initiative for Grenada. I was delighted to do so.”



2005



Richard Renwick received an MBE at Buckingham Palace for his contribution to social housing and community relations.

In 2004 the Caribbean island of Grenada was devastated by Hurricane Ivan. Over \$1 billion of damage was done to the economy, 37 people died and 30% of all homes were destroyed making 18,000 people homeless.

At the time, the Chief Executive, Richard Renwick, was visiting the island and experienced the horrors of 150 mile/hour winds which tore into the homes and buildings on the island. When he returned to the UK he was determined that Tantum should do what it could to assist those

made homeless. In partnership with the President of the Chartered Institute of Housing, Barrington Billings, over £40,000 was raised. This was channelled to the island through a local charity called Crisis Shield and as a result of the Tantum/CIH fundraising efforts, over eight families were re-housed in small but appropriate bungalows, all of which are still being lived in today.

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Local News

CrisisShield hands over eighth house



June and Samuel Romain receive the keys from Nick Bruce of CrisisShield

Friday last week was a very special day for June Romain and her husband, Samuel. Having suffered months of life exposed to the worst tropical weather, the repairs to their Hurricane Ivan damaged house were finally finished. Funded by the UK's Nightingale Charitable Trust, June, Samuel and their son, Finbar, proved to be ideal recipients for CrisisShield to work with. CrisisShield, the NGO formed after Ivan from the Grenadian and yachting communities, works in partnership with their recipients. This normally means building one of three different sized new houses on the recipients' own land according to the family's needs. However, in June and Samuel's case the location of their house in the heart of St George's meant there was insufficient room to build a standard CrisisShield House.

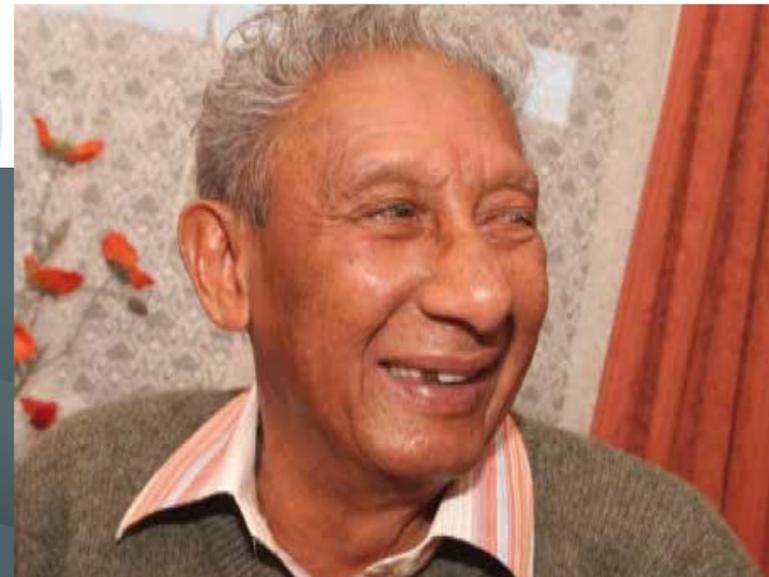
Working closely with their builders, Building Techniques, CrisisShield therefore came up with a tailored solution to suit the Romains' unique circumstances. This meant rebuilding the half of their house that had blown down during Ivan, installing a bathroom and putting a new hurricane resistant roof on. At the handing-over ceremony Nick Bruce of CrisisShield thanked the Romains for working so closely with them, and in separate speeches both June and Samuel Romain thanked the Lord, Miss Charles from Grensave, who had recommended them, and CrisisShield for making their home habitable again. The Romains then showed their appreciation by giving CrisisShield a beautiful picture frame and offering their guests sandwiches and drinks. CrisisShield are currently building another four houses for families

left homeless by Hurricanes Ivan and Emily. Thanks to the generous support of the UK's Chartered Institute of Housing, arranged by Grenada's Richard Renwick OBE, and other generous donors, they look forward to building many more. If you would like to support their work please visit their website at www.CrisisShield.Org. (Contributed by CrisisShield)

A new home provided with money raised by Tantum and the CIH.



Mr Chong returns to Jamaica



William Chong, 1929 - 2014.

Going back to his homeland



By CHRIS BIRKLE

One of Nottingham's first immigrants to be honoured in Jamaica

IT was 58 years ago when William Chong arrived in Britain as one of the first West Indian immigrants. Now the former Raleigh worker who settled in Nottingham is making a special return journey to his home country of Jamaica.

During his trip, the 70-year-old will meet Prime Minister Portia Simpson Miller and take part in Jamaica's Independence Day celebrations.

"It will be a real honour," said the father of two who lives in High Church Street, New Basford.

But he also hopes to trace old friends and relatives he left behind all those years ago.

Mr Chong, of mixed Chinese and West Indian race, was searching for adventure when he arrived alone at Tilbury Docks aboard the *Empire Windrush* after nearly a month at sea.

He said: "I wanted to see how the other half lived. There were a few that came on the *Windrush* and I think there were a few in Nottingham."

"After we landed the first impression we got was all the houses were in rows. I thought how different it was. I had never seen terraced houses before."

Like all migrants at the time, Mr Chong was restricted in his choice.

"They said I had two choices, either to go in the mines or go in the forces, so I decided to go in the mines," he said.

He was sent to south Wales for a year before returning to London.

There he had a succession of jobs, including being a handyman's handyman and working in a glue factory before finding work as a miner in Notts.

"You could get another job in four hours back then. Not like now," he said.

Mr Chong worked at Worksop Main Colliery and Welbeck Colliery.

He was also one of Raleigh's first black employees — cycling was his passion in Jamaica.

Mr Chong and his wife Doreen, 78, met in Cranmer Street, St Ann's.

They have two sons, Keith, 45, and Tony, 48.

Tony will be accompanying his father when he leaves Heathrow on July 31 for the ten-hour flight to Jamaica.

On August 3, he will meet the Jamaican Prime Minister and the next day he will meet the minister of foreign affairs, Anthony Hyton and the governor general, Professor Kenneth Hall.

He will swim with dolphins, appear on national television, and be interviewed by the UK's only black newspaper *The Voice*.

"I am very excited," said Mr Chong.

"It is the trip of a lifetime. I will try and find out who still lives there."

Mr Chong has never been in a plane before.

His wife cannot make the trip because she is recovering from open heart surgery.

"I had a triple heart bypass recently and he looked after me," said Mrs Chong, 78.

"I am just grateful he is able to have a little holiday."

Mr Chong's trip was organised by Tantum, a black and minority ethnic housing association.

Spokesman Coris Henry said: "He is a very liked person. He has represented the interests of all tenants for us. We are pleased to have arranged this for him."



In 2006, Mr William Chong, a Tantum tenant living in a bungalow adjacent to Tantum's head office approached the Chief Executive, Richard Renwick, to inform him that he would be appearing in a BBC 2 documentary as an arrivee on the famous SS *Empire Windrush* in 1948.

Within a few months, Tantum had arranged for Mr Chong and his son to go on a trip of a lifetime back to Jamaica for the first time since 1948. The trip was done in partnership with the Jamaican company, Grace Kennedy PLC.

During the two week trip Mr Chong met the Prime Minister and Governor General of Jamaica and was followed on his journey by BBC East Midlands journalist, Jeremy Ball, who gave regular updates on Mr Chong's trip. Sadly, Mr Chong passed away in 2014.

See a video of Mr Chong's return to Jamaica on www.youtube.com/watch?v=BwmEqQZ0Tzw

2006



16 homes sold on a shared-ownership basis, Mount Heights, Nottingham.

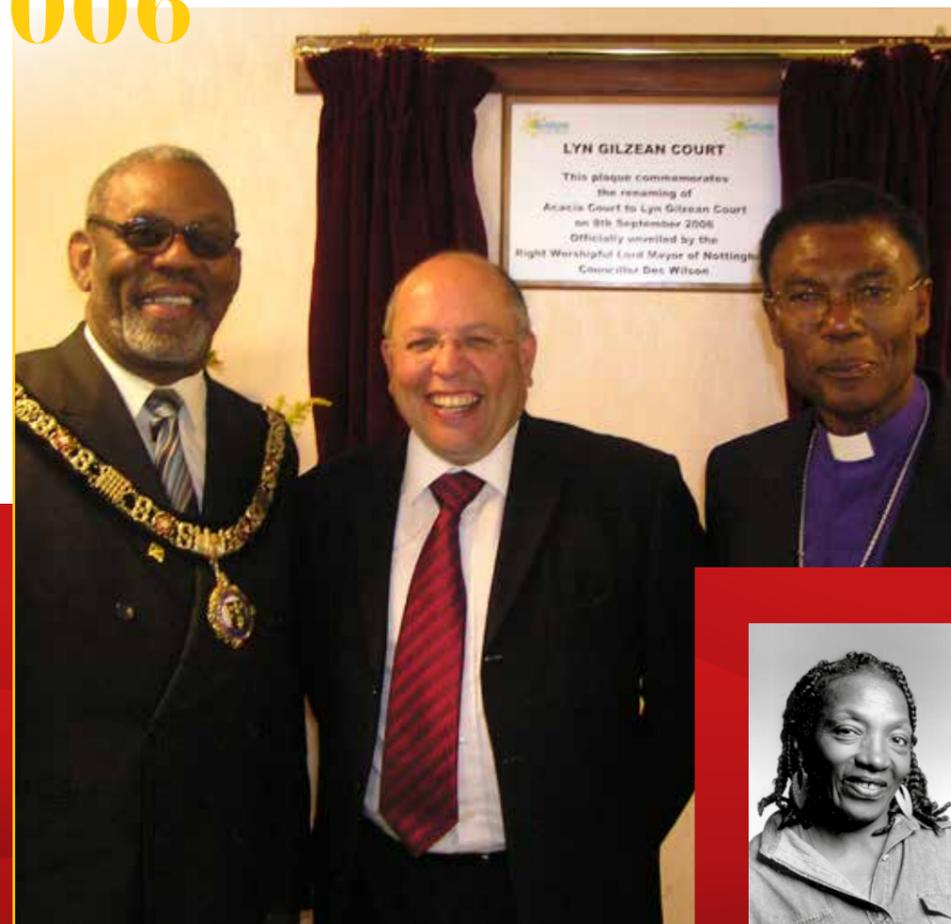


2006



Tuntum receives the Diversity and Race award from Eamonn Holmes as part of Our Neighbourhood Awards sponsored by National Housing Federation.

2006



Acacia Court was renamed to Lyn Gilzean Court after a well-respected member of the local community who was also a board member of Tuntum Housing Association.



2006



100 Derby Road, Long Eaton.



100 Derby Road, a foyer for young, homeless people in Long Eaton, was opened by the Mayor and Mayoress of Erewash and the Chair of Tuntum, Audra Wynter.

Developing The Willows, Derby

In 2002 Tuntum was approached by Derby City Council to provide support to Karma Nirvana, a local Asian Women led organisation that was established to support victims of honour-based abusive and forced marriages. Karma Nirvana needed homes that they could use to provide emergency accommodation for women fleeing such situations. Four properties were leased by Tuntum from Derby Homes and renovated using Tuntum's finances before the end of the financial year 2002/3. In partnership with Derby City Council these were

then replaced in 2007 with the first new build refuge in the East Midlands region specifically aimed at Asian women fleeing domestic violence. This is now managed under an agreement by Refuge, the national charity.



2007



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2007



Tantum wins Outstanding Commitment to the Community award at the Federation of Black Housing Organisation's BME Housing Awards.



Gladstone Street development, Forest Fields, Nottingham. Comprising of 20 houses of which 6 were for shared ownership.

 A Tantum Story 2008

Refugee Futures



In 2008 Nottingham City Council put out to tender a large contract of £427,000 per annum to provide city-wide support to the growing number of refugees, primarily from the Middle East and the Horn of Africa. Despite this being a completely new area, Tantum decided to lead a consortium bid with two other partners. This was successful, and the new lead agency was called Refugee Futures, the name reflecting a positive approach to this specialist area of service provision.

Reductions in the contract's size in later years, due to the squeeze on local authority budgets, ended the consortium approach but Tantum, as usual, carried on by itself. At its height the service provided a comprehensive support service to over a 120 refugee families each and every week.

It became a Tantum custom, every Christmas, for staff, including Directors and the Chief Executive, to undertake a delivery of festive gifts to all those families and children supported by Refugee Futures.

This experience of setting up and delivering refugee support would come in very useful some years later when the Syrian refugees started to arrive.

Richard Renwick said:
"Tantum had been working for a number of years with refugees from different parts of the world. In 2008 we got the opportunity to offer a far more complete service when we successfully tendered with Nottingham City Council."

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Tuntum Housing Association won the Most Positive Contribution to Nottingham award by Ethnic Minority Business Awards in 2009.

2009

Tenants Celebrate Tuntum's 21st Birthday



2009

Carnival Brightens Up the City

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Tuntum's Troupe Sheds the Show! Tuntum's Troupe celebrated the Association's 21st Anniversary with over 800 children and adults enjoying staff and tenancy visits.



Turnover £4,638k

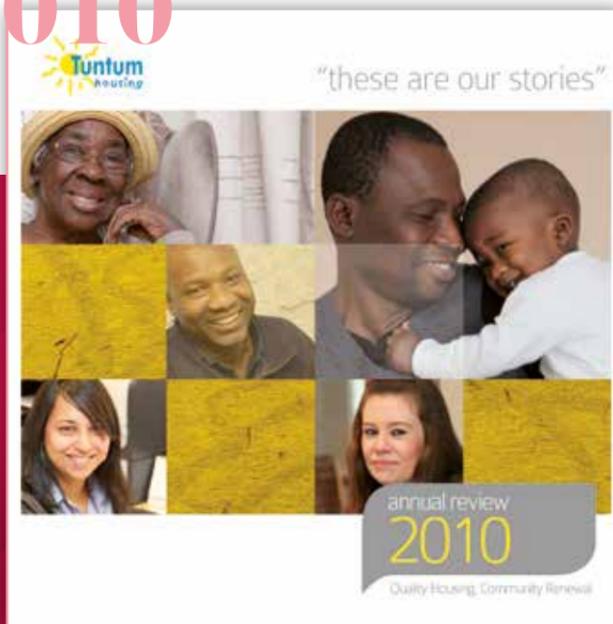
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Board members participating in their annual Planning Away Weekend.

2010



30 new homes purchased from Bovis Homes in Hucknall and Kirby-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire.

Homecare Plus and Academy



Homecare Plus worked in partnership with JobcentrePlus, the DWP and Stephenson's College to help the long term unemployed into work through a 6 week training programme.

When Tuntum heard that Time Out, (who provided specialist home care primarily to Nottingham's black elders), needed a more secure financial base, it seemed a strategic 'no brainer' to take this agency into Tuntum as a specialist service, complementing existing provision for older people.

In 2010 the legal, constitutional and governance arrangements were in place and the service, shortly to be rebranded as Homecare Plus, began operating from one of Tuntum's sheltered schemes.

Not only did the business grow but it developed add-on services such as dementia support, aimed in particular at creating support mechanisms for those who care for people with dementia.

The most innovative service development was the creation of a Homecare Academy to bring new recruits into homecare and then train and equip them to do the job. This involved working in partnership with several further education colleges to both run 'taster' courses and select suitable

employees from the student body. This was the first time in the East Midlands that a practice based learning approach had been adopted by home care agency.

Due to the well-publicised problems of adequately funding social care, Tuntum had to divest itself of the service in 2017, but for seven exciting years we were proud to be providing first class personal care to some of the frailest people in Nottingham.



2011



Tuntum's work placement scheme for social work students from various universities in the region.

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2011



HeadWise, Tuntum's first dedicated mental health scheme was established specifically for 16 to 21 year olds. In partnership with Comic Relief and Counselling Xtra. It ran for three years and catered for over 300 young people.

Hibiscus Court and St Ann's 10 Regeneration

Tuntum completed the development of Hibiscus Court, an impressive £3.4m block of 32 apartments. The development sits on what was a demolished block of deck access council flats. The demolished block was initially transferred to Tuntum for £1. The new flats were partly funded by the Housing Corporation and Tuntum's bank loans. The scheme was a special award regional finalist for Best Affordable Scheme.

This was the final phase of a large regeneration project involving the demolition of another 179 flats in the

area known as St Ann's Phase 10. Over 100 homes were delivered as a result of a partnership between the Riverside Group, Tuntum, Nottingham City Council and The Housing Corporation, costing over £12million. This was completed in 2009.

The redevelopment of the St Anns Phase 10 area, was one of the largest regeneration projects in Nottingham at the time and Tuntum played an integral part in this development, partnering with the Riverside Group and helping to lobby the Housing Corporation for funding.



Cltr Jon Collins said:
"We are pleased to have partnered Tuntum and William Davis to deliver affordable housing for the local community."



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2012



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2012



Derby Road, Hinckley, Leicestershire, a development with 37 homes including 8 shared ownership, built in partnership with Westleigh Homes.

2012



Staff members who successfully completed and passed the Institute of Leadership and Management Level 3.

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2013



2013



CIH awards - Innovative Partnership runner up.

Turnover £8,395k

2012



Carnival 2012.

2013



Completion of the Nottingham Carnival Heritage project, funded by the National Heritage Lottery.

2013



Staff from Karibu and Refugee Futures opened the Food and Clothing Bank set up primarily for deprived refugees and asylum seekers.

2014



Staff and residents worked with Urban Canvas to create an amazing mural in Langham Close, Hinckley.

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A Tuntum Story 2016

Welcoming Syrian Refugees



CEO welcomes Syrian refugees into their new home.



Syrian refugees close to the Syrian border in Lebanon Credit: PA.

2014



TPAS awards 2014.

2015



Audra Wynter steps down as chair after 10 years.

2015



Junior Hemans, new chair, is welcomed to Tuntum.

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In December 2015 some 15 vulnerable refugee families from Syria arrived in Nottingham as the first tranche of 20,000 refugees that the Government had committed to accept in response to the civil war in Syria.

Tuntum co-ordinated the housing association response, and at very short notice – a matter of weeks – had provided suitable homes from both its own stock and that of its partner associations.

Getting the properties ready involved staff working flat out, including weekends,

to make sure that any necessary improvements and adaptations were completed. By the time the families arrived the houses were equipped for occupancy and a welcome reception was on hand. Food was provided and the families were settled in.

Other partners in Nottingham City and in the county – education, health and housing – acknowledged the role that Tuntum had played in establishing a new, and hopefully better life for these families.

2017



Children from Crabtree Farm Primary School and Starfish Group join Tuntum staff at the site of the former Lord Nelson pub in Bulwell, where we built 17 brand-new 1 and 2 bedroom bungalows. A time capsule was buried on the site with messages from the children and the CEO of Tuntum.

2017



13 new homes for affordable rent and 10 homes for shared ownership sale acquired from Barratt Homes in Park Hall Road, Mansfield Woodhouse (Phase 1).

BAE SYSTEMS

£15million raised on a private placement with the BAE system pension funds.

2017



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Board members and directors attending a training session on good governance held in June 2017.

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2018



Latest copy of Tuntum tenants and stakeholder magazine, Engage.

2018



15 homes for affordable rent acquired from Barratt Homes in Park Hall Road, Mansfield Woodhouse (Phase 2)

Turnover **£8,395k**

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2018



17 new bungalows built on the site of the former Lord Nelson Pub, Seller's Wood Drive, Bulwell, Nottingham.

2018



Launch of Nottingham Carnival 2018.

 **Funtum's Stories were made with these partners**



Thank you for your support and partnership over the years.

30 years together

“We hope you have enjoyed reading about our journey from 1988. Over the 30 years we have worked with our partners and customers to deliver good quality homes and services, which have improved the lives of the people in our communities. We look forward to an independent future where we continue to create more stories that make an impact in the areas where we operate.”

Junior Hemans, Chair.



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