

TEES VALLEY LIVING

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE GROUP MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 13 OCTOBER 2006 AT 10.00 A.M. AT ENDEAVOUR HOUSE, THORNABY

Present: Sharon Lonergan Stockton BC (Vice Chair)
Mark Dutton Hartlepool BC
Janine Turner Middlesbrough BC
Bryan Kitchen Redcar & Cleveland BC
Angela Lockwood Endeavour Housing
Colin Wilson Housing Hartlepool
Stephen Bray Accent North East
Alan Glew Darlington BC
Ronny Harris Coast & Country Housing
Steve Turner Tees Valley Joint Strategy Unit
Jim Johnstone TVL Director
Mike Mealing TVL Strategy Manager
Irene Sams Tees Valley Joint Strategy Unit

258/06 Apologies

Apologies were received from Bernard Williams, Maggie Begg, Alison Thain, Clare Butterfield, Pauline Mitchell, Jim Rafferty, Iain Sim and John Lowther

259/06 Minutes of the Meeting held on 25 August 2006

These were agreed

260/06 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising

261/06 Report back from the HMR Pathfinders' Chief Executives Group

JJ referred to his report and advised that he had now received the Pathfinder Chair's group submission to the CSR07. They were only circulated to him after the submission. He feels that the three "Low Demand Areas" (ie. TV, West Yorkshire and West Cumbria) have not been fully accepted into the group as access to the reports prior to the submission has been denied. He stated that he has arranged for Neil Etherington to be part of the Chair's Group. He will continue to press for proper recognition for TVL's status within the group.

JJ referred to the request for further information under the

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specific headings and stated that he had not received the expected template. All discussed what TVL is doing over and above the standard and it was agreed that specific reports would be produced.

Resolved

A report to be produced on:

Best practice for mixed communities

The impact of the Housing Corporation's rigid approach to time frames and a suggested way forward

Homebuy

Development Plans in relation to section 106

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262/06 Data needs for appraisal, monitoring and SHIP/HMR returns

JJ referred to report and all agreed that data consistency must be achieved.

It was agreed that a working group be formed and nominations were Nigel Johnson, HBC; Roger Kay, R & C; Alan Glew, DBC; Tracey McQuade, Coast & Country.

Resolved

A working group is set up to consider and agree common definitions and assumptions which will dictate how and what information and data are recorded for each project and that these become an accepted definitive record for the purposes of housing market renewal interventions.

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263/06 Visit of Baroness Andrews to Tees Valley Living

JJ advised that Baroness Andrews has cancelled her proposed visit to Tees Valley Living on 18th November 06. It is hoped that this can be rescheduled for January 07.

Resolved

Baroness Andrews visit to Tees Valley Living be rescheduled for January 07.

JJ

264/06 Update of the North East Housing Strategy

MM referred to the report and suggested that the group works together to produce a response to the questions raised by the North East Housing Board. He suggested that it is an opportunity for TVL to reiterate the progress made in TV. It was agreed that JT would take the draft response to the Heads of Service. In response to a question from BK, JJ confirmed that John Lowther has had extensive dialogue with North Yorkshire.

Resolved

TVL consider and respond to the questions raised by the North East Housing Board in relation to the update and revision of the North East Regional Housing Strategy and report to the meeting of the Group on 17th November 06 with a view to presenting a response to the Regional Housing Board officers in time for them to consider incorporating comments in the first draft of the revised strategy.

JT to present the draft response to the Heads of Service

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265/06 The Northern Housing Challenge (verbal account from members of the range of submissions with relevance to Tees Valley Living)

Erimus, with MBC support, has submitted a bid for 'live/work' units at the gateway to Middlehaven, which is linked to the wider regeneration of the area.

Housing Hartlepool – Sustainable regeneration in central Hartlepool, Belle Vue and North Central Hartlepool, looking at impact on the community, the formation of a community land trust, working with families from targeted areas, impact upon worklessness, employment training. There is a commitment to affordable housing. The programme value is £7.5m 2008-12.

Coast & Country – At the Housing Corporation's suggestion they submitted a bid in respect of building a sustainable communities model with a particular focus on energy efficiency and a community investment model with Barratt Homes leading on them. They currently have two demonstration projects.

Tees Valley Housing – A bid has been submitted with SBC for the Parkfield area. Looking at products to encourage home working, equity shares, residents to remain in the area, and graduates into the area. There is also a bid with Urban Splash at the TVR North Shore proposal.

266/06 Any Other Business

Funding

MM advised that Diana Pearce and Chris Megainey have requested that the offer letter is signed as a matter of urgency and that they have requested a profile of expenditure for the current year. He confirmed that there is no flexibility in the requirement that claims are made in

arrears. He also stated that there is no claw back if capital receipts are recycled within the HMR agenda. It was suggested that this should be in writing before it is applied.

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SHIP 3

MM stated that some work needs to be done on the RHS to allow SHIP to be included. JT stated that this was being considered by the Chief Housing Officer's group and she would report on progress to the next meeting.

JT

267/06 Date of Next Meeting

Friday 17th November @ 10.00 a.m. at Endeavour House Teesdale.