

**TEES VALLEY LIVING
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 13TH MARCH 2008 AT 5.00 PM AT
CAVENDISH HOUSE**

Present:	Neil Etherington	Chair
	Cllr Dave Budd	Middlesbrough BC
	Kevin Parkes	Middlesbrough BC
	Julie Allport	Stockton BC
	Cllr Lynn Pallister	Redcar & Cleveland BC
	Ian Mopley	Redcar and Cleveland BC
	Cath Purdy	Housing Hartlepool
	Pauline Mitchell	Darlington BC
	Alison Thain	Tees Valley Housing
	Diana Pearce	GONE
	John Lowther	Tees Valley Joint Strategy Unit
	Jim Johnstone	TVL Director
	Mike Mealing	TVL
	Irene Sams	Tees Valley Joint Strategy Unit

365/08 Apologies

Apologies were received from Steve Nelson, Peter Scott, Donald Urquhart, Julie Jacques and Jennine Robson.

366/08 Minutes of Meeting Held on 23rd January 2008

The minutes were agreed.

367/08 Matters Arising

None.

368/08 Housing Market Renewal Funding 2008 - 11

JJ referred to his report and highlighted the main issues. He stated that the Homes and Communities Agency will come into being in April 09 and that the HMR Chairs have already established contact with Bob Kerlake (formerly the CE, Sheffield City Council). JL advised that George Garlick knows him and has invited him to TV asked. AT stated that he is visiting TV Housing on 12 June 08.

NE stated that it is good news and thanked everyone for their hard work.

Resolved

Level of funding likely to be available to housing market renewal initiatives during 2008-11 and the capital and revenue split agreed.

The annual percentage distribution of SHIP and HMRF grant for 2008-11 as agreed by partner Councils, subject to such future review as may be considered necessary, agreed.

The TVL Director is authorised to liaise with respective Councils in agreeing the final profile with CLG of which will be presented to the Board at its next meeting in May.

The Audit Commission's 'Performance Review Framework' in the future delivery of the housing market renewal programme to be addressed.

369/08 Progress Report on Tees Valley Growth Point Bid

NE stated that the announcement of successful bids has been postponed to 25th March 08. All discussed and expressed concern about the impact on the level of funding available should all submitted bids be successful, as rumoured.

JL advised that the JSU has been asked to provide a list of transport projects to a scoring panel comprising of representatives from GONE/NE Assembly/RDA. He then discussed how transport fits into the overall Growth Point strategy.

Resolved

Position noted

370/08 The integration of TVL into Tees Valley Unlimited

NE thanked KP for his efforts in coordinating the LAs. JJ then gave his presentation. All discussed. In response to a question from DP, JL stated that a critical point is that TVU co-ordinates the delivery of new homes and the LAs develop the programmes. He questioned whether the issue is how the programmes are monitored and suggested it may be appropriate for the Executive Group to perform this role.

AT questioned the role of the RSLs within TVU and stated that inclusiveness has been a strength of TVL. All

agreed that the RSLs will continue to play an important role in TVU and agreed to consider the matter in greater detail to report back to the next Board.

NE requested that a copy of the draft report be circulated to Board members. Some discussion ensued as to the timing of this.

Resolved

The discussion document to be circulated to members, followed by the draft document when available.

KP

AT and CP as representatives for the RSLs to meet with KP

AT/CP/KP

An away day to be organised for May 08

JJ

371/08 Programme Monitoring Update

JJ referred to the report and highlighted main issues.

NE thanked JA for her work with the PDG.

JA stated that the PDG met the previous week and advised that all representatives, when challenged, were adamant that they would achieve their targets. She continued that each LA is to provide an update to MM on Friday.

NE requested a verbal update from each LA
SBC – Signed, sealed and delivered and monitoring daily.

MBC – Completed. Using own resources

R & C – Confident will achieve.

NE requested that updates are given to MM on Wednesday a.m.

Resolved

The expected outturn for the current financial year noted and the approach around contingency arrangements agreed.

372/08 Revised Meeting Dates 2008/09

To be held at Cavendish House, Teesdale, Thornaby

5.00 p.m. Thursday, 8th May 08

5.00 p.m. WEDNESDAY, 23rd July 08

373/08 Any Other Business

None

