

TEES VALLEY LIVING

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE GROUP MEETING
HELD ON FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER AT 10.00 A.M.
AT ENDEAVOUR HOUSE, THORNABY**

Present:	Bernard Williams	Erimus Housing
	Angela Lockwood	Endeavour Housing
	Martin Simpson	Coast & Country Housing
	Andrew Garrens	Tees Valley Housing Group
	Jim Rafferty	Home Group
	Andrew Caine	Middlesbrough BC
	Mark Dutton	Hartlepool BC
	Sharon Thomas	Stockton BC
	Clare Butterfield	Redcar & Cleveland BC
	Steve Turner	Tees Valley Joint Strategy Unit
	Jim Johnson	TVL Director
	Mike Mealing	TVL Strategy Manager
	Jennine Robson	TVL Programme Monitoring Officer
	Irene Sams	Tees Valley Joint Strategy Unit

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344/07 Apologies	Apologies were received from Steven Bray, John Lowther, Iain Sim, Alan Glew and Bill Carr.	
345/07 Notes of Meeting 14th September 2007	These were agreed.	
346/07 Matters Arising	<p><u>340/07</u> MM advised that a draft protocol for Tees Valley Housing Corporation has been produced. He stated that Jannine Turner MBC is leading on this.</p> <p><u>342/07</u> JR advised that a scoping exercise has been undertaken and that it has been passed to the Heads of Housing. MM stated that he will ascertain the current position.</p> <p><u>Future role of TVL</u> BW stated TVL will sit below the Leadership and Executive Boards of Tees Valley Unlimited (TVU) and will</p>	

have a broader responsibility than it currently does. He stated that TVL need to move forward to ensure that it is able to take on the broader responsibilities. He stated that it had been discussed at the last Board meeting and that JJ is to complete a report for presentation at the next Board meeting, detailing ideas for a new infrastructure to support the Board.

He suggested that it may be appropriate for :

- Executive Group – at a higher level than currently to reflect the broader agenda and that it should be LA dominated.
- Programme Delivery Groups – there is already one for HMR but more may be required to fulfil the Sub Regional Action Plan
- ‘Sounding Board’ – a broad consultative group – a ‘task and finish’ group.

All discussed and agreed that changes need to start at Board level.

Resolved

Report to be presented at next Board meeting

JJ

347/07 HMR and SHIP3 Update

JJ referred to his report and highlighted the key issues. He expressed the view that the region does not lobby effectively enough and that a more proactive approach needs to be taken in the longer term.

All discussed the allocation with regards to its distribution and the implications. Virement of funding out of Objective 1 into Objective 3 to make up an unacceptable deficit.

Resolved

The current position is noted.

348/07 Tees Valley Growth Point Bid

JJ introduced his report and highlighted the key issues. He stated that each bid will be assessed on its merits and expressed the opinion that TV's strengths are it's capacity to deliver and to work in partnership.

Resolved

Current situation noted

349/07 Community Vitality Index/Choosing an Index

Community Vitality Index

ST began by distributing replacement pages for his report as there were errors in some of the tables.

He then referred to his report and highlighted the main issues.

All discussed the relevance of the criteria and agreed that it is an excellent tool.

Choosing an Index

ST introduced and highlighted main points. JJ stated that by looking at the maps it is evident how sensitive the data is and cited Tilery/Portrack as a good example of where a major refurbishment scheme had successfully improved property but had a negligible impact on deprivation/migration.

Resolved

To continue using the Community Vitality Index and Housing Vitality Index for ranking and monitoring neighbourhoods.

350/07 Monitoring HMR Business Plan

JR referred to the report and highlighted the main issues.

All discussed how the current arrangements for collating and reporting headline information on HMR projects can be developed. All agreed that all projects must be captured whether or not they are subject to a grant and that the work of the RSLs must also be included. It was agreed that the LAs would inform JR of the RSLs involved.

Resolved

LAs too inform JR of the RSLs involved. She will then liaise direct with them.

351/07 Tees Valley Strategic Housing Market Assessment

MM referred to report and highlighted the main issues. He requested two RSL representatives are nominated for the steering group. The members from Erimus Housing

and the Home Group volunteered to provide a representative.

MM stated that the Group will provide a monthly report.

Resolved

Progress noted

Erimus Housing and the Home Group to provide MM with names

Report to be produced monthly

BW/JRa

MM

352/07 Date & Time of Next Meeting

10.00 a.m. Friday 18th January 2008 at Endeavour House Teesdale.