

TEES VALLEY LIVING

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE GROUP MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 18TH JANUARY 2008 AT 10.00 A.M. AT ENDEAVOUR HOUSE, THORNABY

Present:	Bernard Williams	Erimus Housing
	Angela Lockwood	Endeavour Housing
	Iain Sim	Coast & Country Housing
	Martin Hawthorne	Tees Valley Housing Group
	Andrew Cain	Middlesbrough BC
	Mark Dutton	Hartlepool BC
	Sharon Thomas	Stockton BC
	Roger Kay	Redcar & Cleveland BC
	Alan Glew	Darlington BC
	Penny Garner Carpenter	Hartlepool BC
	Stephen Bray	Accent Group
	Colin Wilson	Housing Hartlepool
	Jim Johnstone	TVL Director
	Mike Mealing	TVL Strategy Manager
	Jennine Robson	TVL Programme Monitoring Officer
	Katie Dunstan	TVL
	Irene Sams	Tees Valley Joint Strategy Unit

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353/08	Apologies	
	Apologies were received from John Lowther, Steve Turner, Clare Butterfield and Andrea Abbott.	
354/08	Notes of Meeting 14th December 2007	
	These were agreed.	
355/08	Matters Arising	
	None	
356/08	Tees Valley Unlimited – Housing Role, Structure and Governance (verbal report)	
	JJ informed the Group that reports have to go to Directors of Regeneration and Chief Executives. He stated that he, BW and Neil Etherington have discussed and agreed that the report should include the challenges	

ahead and that it is an opportunity to bring all of Housing together.

BW stated that he considers it is straightforward and that there is ongoing dialogue with JJ and JL. The Board needs to be clear as to what the remit is, what needs to be delivered and the staffing resources required. .

Resolved

Report to be produced detailing proposals

JJ

357/08 SHIP Round 3 and HMRF

MM referred to report and highlighted main issues. All discussed the virement of £3m from Objective 1 to Objective 3. Concern was expressed about stipulating an exact amount before the allocation is known. JJ confirmed that a detailed request to make up the deficit left behind by the virement of funds from SHIP Objective 1 to Objective 3 was sent to CLG and that he has had an informal discussion with Ian Wright.

MM suggested that a number of scenarios should be established and included in the report to the Board. AG stated that in DBC lack of virement would have an immediate impact on staffing levels.

Resolved

The NEHB distribution of SHIP 3 funding for 2008-09 noted

The principle of transferring funds between Objective 1 to Objective 3 and 4 agreed.

A report to be produced for the next Board meeting

JJ

358/08 Progress on SHMA

MM introduced and stated that he would circulate the information from the Steering Group meeting of 17th January. He stated that each LA has agreed the Sub Areas. He also stated that work has begun on hypotheses testing.

Resolved

Progress on SHMA noted

359/08 Housing Protocol with Housing Corporation

JJ referred to his report and highlighted the main issues. He requested comments/feedback on the draft Protocol Action Plan to enable it to be signed off by 5 February 08. IW expressed concern about the tight deadline. MM stated that TV is the first sub region presenting a protocol and also feels that the deadline is optimistic and is hoping that this may be extended.

MH raised the question of who would be responsible for the monitoring. RK stated that the protocol is between the LAs and Housing Corporation and PGC stated that the Chief Housing Officers would probably ask JT to coordinate.

Resolved

Report noted

Comments/feedback to be given to JJ, by 1st February 08. ALL

360/08 Up-date on Growth Point Proposals

JJ gave a detailed presentation based on the Growth Point Document. He stated that the proposals were driven by CLG wanting to move HMR into Growth Point status. He stated that CLG would make the decision in February.

Resolved

Noted

361/08 National Audit Office Report on HMR Pathfinder Programme

JR presented the report and highlighted the main issues. All discussed JJ stated that TVL need to take what they can from the report and more importantly let relevant people know that this is being done. He stated that a report is to be presented at the next Executive Group.

Resolved

Report noted

Report to be produced for next Executive Group meeting JJ

362/08 Budget Up-date

MM presented the report and highlighted the main points. JJ stated that expenditure on communications was less than forecasted, as DTW was not used as much as originally anticipated. MM stated that the team were trained to update the website and that there is scope for improvements to this.

Resolved
Report noted

363/08 Any Other Business

BW informed the Group that he is retiring and that this meeting will be his last. JJ thanked him for all his efforts and work for TVL and wished him well for the future.

364/08 Date of Next Meeting

10.00 a.m. Thursday 14th March 08 at Endeavour House Teesdale.