

Minutes of the Glasgow and Eilean Siar Regional Network Meeting
Held on Thursday 9th October 2008 at 10:30am
at Ladywell Community Hall, Drygate, Glasgow

Present:

Donald Urquhart	Ladywell & High Street TRA	Glasgow North
Gerry Gillin	Sandyhills RA	Glasgow East
George McGuinness	Baillieston RA	Glasgow East
Greg Hine	Govan 'C' Residents association	Glasgow South
John Banks	Prince Albert Residents Group	Glasgow West
Rena Dowling	Partick United Residents Group	Glasgow West
Kevin Paterson	Western Isles Residents Forum	Western Isles
Ann Marie Stanley	Tenants Rights and Participation	Scottish Government
Ann Rooney	South Toryglen TA	Glasgow South

Apologies received :

Jack McGuire	Eastpark Residents Association	Glasgow North
Barney MacKay	Cearns Residents Association	Western Isles

Item		Action
1.	<u>Welcome</u> Thanks from chair for use of Ladywell meeting room.	
2.	<u>Apologies</u> Jack McGuire & Barney MacKay.	
3.	<u>Previous Minutes</u> Amended minutes meeting 2 –Agreed by committee Minutes from Meeting 3 were carried. Proposed: George Seconded:..Rena	
4.	<u>Matters Arising</u> Ann to sign code of conduct after meeting at Highlander House.	

	<p>Kevin has a list of RTOs accurate as at 10/10/2008.</p> <p>Item 10, TIG is the development partner of a separate company created by HHP for development works. Amend.</p> <p>Item 7 Jack was nominated.... Should read in consultation with Kevin and Ann Marie.</p> <p>Item 11. Kevin's daughter made the badges not HHP personnel.</p>	
4.1.	<p><u>Action Points Update</u></p> <p>2.1 As is traffic is low. One number for Secretary and Chair.</p> <p>2.2 O/S agreed to complete unactioned but thanks has been given.</p> <p>2.3 Details of Nicola Sturgeon speech distributed Leave as open item.</p> <p>2.7 O/S</p> <p>3.3 Agreed at meeting – to be circulated to every RTO – AMS to progress.</p> <p>3.4 See 6</p> <p>3.5 See 6</p> <p>3.8 See 4.4</p> <p>3.9</p> <p>3.10 linked with 3.12</p> <p>3.11 see 3.10</p> <p>3.12 O/S</p> <p>3.16 deleted</p> <p>3.17 deleted as an item as it is part of agenda</p> <p>3.18 Standard process delete</p>	
4.2	<p><u>Newsletter on the Study Visit</u></p> <p>The committee discussed this in detail and all the committee agreed the final version of the newsletter which will be distributed to all RTOs in Region 9.</p> <p>Stewart Wilson position clarified.</p> <p>Include newsletter in AGM pack for 2009.</p>	
4.3	<p><u>Update on RTO Validation Exercise</u></p> <p>AMS – Report scheduled 10th October and info given is interim</p> <p>Landlords responded 226 including All landlords</p> <p>Non responded = 3</p> <p>Total number of RTOs = 656 across Scotland</p> <p>July 08 count was 662 since last validation 115 have been disbanded or registered or 109 new registered.</p> <p>80 Landlords in our area.</p>	
4.4	<p><u>Formation of GHA RTO Federation Update</u></p> <p>GMcG informed the committee of the launch of the GHA RTO Federation on 22nd September which AMS and Anne Cook had attended.</p>	

	Next meeting Monday 13 th October to elect office bearers. Federation's role needs to be considered at Board and other levels of interaction and sharing of decision making processes. GMcG will keep the committee advised of progress.	
4.5	<u>Regional Nominations Protocol</u> Proforma to be issued. 3.10	
5.	<u>Communications Strategy</u> Noted been sent out with minor changes Group being set up for communications website. GH will be representing the committee on the website development sub committee.	GH
6.	<u>Process & Protocol</u> The committee discussed the need to have protocol on place for both their individual region which Kevin will lead on and as detailed in 4.5. In addition, the region as a whole has to have a protocol in place to agree representation. The committee agreed this should be a common sense approach to ensure that the best people are selected that have the skills, knowledge or interest in a particular area and appreciate that they will have to keep the other committee members informed of their input and outcome of the group. Kevin/Greg to keep the committee informed.	KP/GH
7.	<u>Research into evaluating Scottish Social Landlords Progress on Tenant Participation</u> Précis distributed and presentation to be given at next meeting.	
8.	<u>Firm Foundations Update</u> AMS advised about the groups which have been set up - a sounding board with 3 regional representatives - Steve Byrne from Region 1, Rena Smith from Region 3 and Hugh McClung from Region 4. Region 9 asked about representation on tenants priorities advisory group. Still waiting for feedback on representatives from TIS, TPAS and TIGHRA, GH raised proportional representation issue.	
9.	<u>Correspondence</u> KP advised the committee of the letter from minister of Public Health from Shona Robertson about the question raised on the 28 th July regarding social care for elderly. Free personal care. Answer to question key points responsible provision shared etc copy to secretary. Letter from Positive action in housing: report to David Webster GCC. Problem of overcrowding in Glasgow. Comments to chair.	
10.	<u>AOCB</u>	

	<p>KP suggested that where there is a conflict of interests it should be declared and handled as it would be when representatives attend their own meetings – there should be a method of recording same. Declaration of interest form to be created – KP to action.</p> <p>GH asked if the chair and sec contacts could be made available?</p> <p>AMS Other region brought up expenses for operation I,e cartridges/postage/stamps - thinking £250 per region. Bank account would require 2 signatures</p> <p>GMc Note of thanks to everyone in Western Isles and committee re support in keys issue.</p>	<p>KP</p> <p>AMS</p>
<p>11.</p>	<p><u>Forward Meeting Schedule</u></p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for the 4th December Highlander House.</p>	