

Minutes of the Glasgow and Eilean Siar Regional Network Meeting
Held on 5th March 2009 at 10:30
at Highlander House, Waterloo St, Glasgow

Present:

George McGuinness	Baillieston RA	Glasgow East
Greg Hine	Govan 'C' Residents association	Glasgow South
John Banks	Prince Albert Residents Group	Glasgow West
Kevin Paterson	Western Isles Residents Forum	Western Isles
Ann Marie Stanley	Tenants Rights and Participation	Scottish Government
Rena Dowling	Partick United Residents Group	Glasgow West
Barney MacKay (Telephone conference)	Cearns Residents Association	Western Isles

Apologies received :

Gerry Gillin	Sandyhills RA	Glasgow East
Donald Urquhart	Ladywell & High Street TRA	Glasgow North

Absent:

Ann Rooney	South Toryglen TA	Glasgow South
Jack McGuire	Eastpark Residents Association	Glasgow North

Item		Action
1.	<u>Welcome</u> <u>Welcome from the chair</u>	
2.	<u>Previous Minutes</u> Agreed to changes as updated live in meeting 7. Proposed: Rena Seconded: George	
2.1	<u>Matters Arising</u> Q. No 1 on the correspondence, JB what was the handout given out? A. This was a copy of the email and doc from Laura Halliday re time off in consultation	

	Re minuted item Gerry Gillin & CIH membership, GHA are paying for their federation member, and Rena will then become or regional member, AMS to send forms to Rena.	AMS
2.2	<u>Action Points Update</u> Done	
2.3	<u>WIFTRA update</u> KP, conference details passed out. John Angus MacIver has started as HHP operations manager Inspection report for HHP will be out 17 th March. Forum has submitted a response into Housing regulator as they/tenants were not asked to comment as a representative organisation.	
2.4	<u>Website update & committee members profile</u> GH advised that a proof of the website was shown, and changes agreed. The request for a shared calendar has also been put to the developers. Comments from the committee indicated that the document may be in .docx which would indicate that this is in a newer version. Could Ann Baillie send out forms again in pre 2003 format. JB iconic picture of Glasgow, Anniesland court as a suggestion. Pictures received from Kevin Because some areas have more than one or two pictures, Whitespace are looking at the possibility of using montages.	
2.5	<u>Glasgow Federation Update</u> GM, Federation up and running. GHA have proposed changes to their structure which is concerning members of the federation. Concerns surround structure, funding, second stage transfers, grants/dowrys etc.,	
3.	<u>Investing in Affordable Housing update</u> Consultation paper is out, responses by 17 th March, Barney has this in draft at the moment. GH raised the query as to why Glasgow & Western Isles was not included, and has anyone challenged this, especially when referring to current financial climate in the building sector. GH to send comment to Barney	
4.	<u>Firm Foundations update</u> Hopefully consultation document should be out in next couple of months.	

	<p>Sounding boards are going quite well. Allocations Policy Advisory Group meeting 2 minutes given out. GM summarised: meetings have a good interaction between parties. Ipsos Mori research questionnaire was issued to all RTOs</p>	
<p>5.</p>	<p><u>AGM Planning</u></p> <p>Copies AGM booking form given out to committee, GH & GM asked AMS to send an electronic copy. Copy to be given out to all RTOs. Looking for a good representation of Forum from Western Isles, thinking max 2 per RTO, 3 from Forum with possible maximum 23 from Western Isles.</p> <p>Aim for w/b 9th March as last date for issuing of the letters. Make sure regional logo is on all correspondence. Responses for attendance from RTOs attending by 23rd April. AMS to check constitution regarding notification times for AGM paperwork. Paperwork sent as responses received. TP team to co-ordinate</p> <p>Re 50% standing down WI: Barney GN: Jack MacGuire GS: Ann Rooney GE: Gerry GW: Rena</p> <p>Booking form: Add box for plane (method of transport) Page 2, Page 2 elections onto the committee AMS will write out to RTOs Nominations form, booking form and freepost envelope to be sent out. Page 3 change date on bottom paragraph to 23rd April.</p> <p>Agenda to be reviewed by all. Change letters to sincerely from faithfully</p> <p>Agenda: change adoption of constitution item to 15 minutes.</p> <p>Constitution: change quorum from 6 to 5</p> <p>All motions for the AGM proposed by KP Chair and seconded by vice chair. A vote was taken and all agreed.</p>	

6.	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 06/02/2009 Letter from Pamela Kellock regards requirement for representatives on Tenants' Regulation Advisory Group 2. Letter from Ipsos MORI for tenant rep from region re tenants priorities for social housing, Greg Hine to apply. 3. Allocations Policy Advisory Group – second meeting minutes. 	
7.	<p><u>AOCB</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Expenses form add person paying out to form 2. Need profiles for Committee members for website: 3. Western Isles Forum of Tenants & Residents' Association conference, All to attend, except Greg at this point. Ann Cook to advise/confirm her attendance. 4. Acceptance letter to Jack MacGuire for resignation. 5. JB has arranged with GH & GM to meet 13th March 2009 to set up Region 9 bank account. 6. Can we add reminders to national calendar? 7. William Armstrong will be joining the Tenant Participation team on 16th March 8. AMS distributed the Learning needs, solutions & priorities sheet for committee to complete. 	
11.	<p><u>Forward Meeting Schedule</u></p> <p>17th April Western Isle at HHP</p>	