

**Minutes of the Glasgow and Eilean Siar Regional Network Meeting
Held on 22nd July 2010 at Highlander House, Glasgow**

Present:

Lillian Woolfries	Banner Residents Association	Glasgow North
Margaret Fawcett	Ladywell & High Street TARA	Glasgow North
George McGuinness	Baillieston RA	Glasgow East
Greg Hine	Govan 'C' Residents association	Glasgow South
Rose Marie O'Brien	Sandyhills RA	Glasgow East
Kevin Paterson	Western Isles Residents Forum	Western Isles
Ann Marie Stanley	Tenants Rights and Participation	Scottish Government
Barney MacKay	Cearns Residents Association	Western Isles
Rena Dowling	Partick United Residents Group	Glasgow West

Item		Action
1.	<u>Welcome</u> <u>To Margaret Fawcett from Ladywell & High Street TARA</u>	
2.	<u>Apologies</u> John Banks, John Goldie	
3.	<u>Previous Minutes</u> George McGuinness, Lillian Woolfries	
3.1	<u>Matters Arising</u> BM queried the amount of RTOs set at 80, AMS advised that the amount of RTOs in the Western Isles has reduced from 10 to 2 and Glasgow approximately 69. Agenda Item for constitution: attendance & pointing system for next meeting. GH to send copy to AMS/KP BM asked whether we can contact landlords etc if an RTO 'drops off the map' GM advised ideal opportunity is the Charter. Has JB managed to get onto the website? (wait until JB returns) AMS agreed would send Mary Cahill and Margaret Burke copies of agreed minutes.	GH AMS

4	<p><u>Discussion on AGM</u></p> <p>AMS felt the AGM went well, and pleased at number of RTOs attended. Agreed letter of thanks to GHA regards their help and assistance.</p> <p>Some lessons to be learnt about gaining more input and attendance for next AGM</p> <p>RD mentioned an issue regards landlord repairs, the committee advised this should be raised locally.</p>	
4.1	<p><u>Newsletter</u></p> <p>AGM newsletter – is AGM & Regional Newsletter.</p> <p>Greg for Publisher, some copy. aim for end July.</p>	GH/MF
5.	<p><u>Report on meeting with Minister</u></p>	
5.1.	<p><u>HRA</u></p> <p>Meeting 9th June paperwork given out. Further meeting with COSLA is being arranged. Looking at Local Government Act 1987 as this has not been updated although looked at in 1999 and left on books to be looked at by new Scottish Parliament. AMS advised trying to get everyone around table.</p>	
5.2	<p><u>Perceptions in the decline in Estates</u></p> <p>Ran through paper, responses to Eric by 30th July.</p>	
6.	<p><u>Housing Bill Update</u></p>	
6.1	<p><u>SHR</u></p> <p>AMS</p>	
6.2	<p><u>Charter Update</u></p> <p>AMS been working with landlords to get informal meetings re charter. 12 events organised, TPAS & TIS to do work, and SHR may attend where possible. Thanks to GM for arranging City Chambers. More formal events next year.</p> <p>Anne Cook gave update on Charter, meetings arranged for 8-9th September in Stornoway, 29th in Glasgow.</p>	

6.3	<p><u>Consultations with RTOs</u></p> <p>Region 3 have a questionnaire and meeting arranged with 60 delegates at no cost to networks or TP.</p>	
7	<p><u>Glasgow Federation & Western Isles Forum Update</u></p> <p>WI Forum held conference 7th May, 60 tenants & residents attended, KP showed newsletter from event. KP to send document to committee as PDF, GH to put on website. HHP Annual report brought by KP. KP to circulate copies to minister.</p> <p>Unfortunately no visit this year, possibly meeting next year, GH suggest it is dovetailed with another/other conference in view of amount of work ongoing. Poss August next year.</p>	KP/GH
8	<p><u>How to work more effectively</u></p> <p>AMS asked that if you do put yourself forward for work, please make sure you can do it.</p> <p>Co-option to allow us to reach out to other groups, MERG i.e., GHA are having 'informal' tenants days put together by Linda Hunter, would it be possible for someone from the region to go? Marie to try and arrange. Could we have a script.</p> <p>BM,</p> <p>Questionnaire.</p> <p>Newsletter KP sends newsletter to all housing emails by scouring web. GH asked for any contacts for LHOs, RTOS,</p> <p>Website.</p> <p>GH to put information on website re HRA, Charter, SHR board members.</p> <p>Tenant organisations Tenants movement Regional tenant organisations RTOs Tenant participation Housing Volunteers Scottish Tenants Organisation Housing & Tenants Housing Allocation. Western Isles Forum Village Voice Tenants Charter Scottish Housing Regulator</p>	MO'B

<p>9.</p>	<p><u>AOCB</u></p> <p>KP ran through Chairs & Secretaries minutes from 14th June. Shelter & CIH looking to add amendments in the future. AMS mentioned that at least 1 place on SHR Board possibly more.</p> <p>Report from Danny Mullen re right to buy including a potential amendment regarding disabled.</p> <p>Housing Policy Advisory Group met, booklet given out, next meeting 14th September.</p> <p>AMS, cut off date 14th August, so R9 would need to email/communicate in order to achieve this date.</p> <p>Event 18th May was overall a success. Feedback has been issued.</p> <p>CIH conference stand. GH raised no laptop/PC etc to show website.</p> <p>Hugh Wilson Fraser awarded an MBE.</p> <p>Biographies from Lillian, Rose, Margaret & John by 30th.</p> <p>PAiH annual report, networks are taking out another advert in this, KP showed copy.</p>	
<p>10.</p>	<p><u>Forward Meeting Schedule</u></p> <p><u>15th September</u></p>	