

Minute/Decision Summary
Housing and Neighbourhood Partnership
1st December 2009

Item/Issue	Decision	Action	Contact
<p>Minutes of Previous meeting The minutes from the meeting of 15th September 2009 were agreed as a true record.</p>			Simon Rogalski Housing Strategy Officer Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council (01642) 528359
<p>Matters Arising PCT top up funding for fuel poor clients – It was noted that grants could not be paid in retrospect as funding is limited and payments go to the contractors.</p> <p>Community Cohesion action plan update – The updates received from organisations would be added to the partnership website.</p>		Simon Rogalski to add updates to the website.	
<p>The provision of Disabled Adaptations in the borough A presentation was given and handout of slides were provided by Karen Clifford from the Private Sector Housing Team. This presentation provided background to provision of disabled adaptations and some of the funding issues related to them. It updated the Partnership on new initiatives and the future provision of adaptations.</p> <p>Discussion included organisations working together to get better costs, understanding which properties have adaptations, the option of asking RSLs to contribute to adaptations, tenants moving to a more suitable property through Choice Based Lettings.</p>			Karen Clifford Team Leader Housing Improvements Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council (01642) 526684
<p>Home Improvement Agency update Broadacres, provides assistance and support to elderly, disabled and vulnerable people to live independently in their own homes for as long as they wish to do so. Stuart Oliver from Broadacres gave the group a presentation and update on the first year's progress.</p>			Stuart Oliver Broadacres Housing Association 0845 2008646
<p>Trust your Instincts The 'Trust your Instincts' DVD, commissioned by 4 local authorities in the Tees Valley is intended to raise awareness with regard to all forms of extremism people may encounter was viewed by the group. DC Jamie Smith from Cleveland Police reinforced the message in the DVD about awareness and concerns about extremist right wing groups.</p>			Mike Batty Head of Community Protection Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council (01642) 527074

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<p>Contest Strategy was drafted to prevent terrorism/extremism. Please see website : http://security.homeoffice.gov.uk/counter-terrorism-strategy/</p> <p>Prevent Scheme is partnership led with multi agency meetings that are held to agree on way to remove vulnerable persons from the influence of terrorist behaviour and prevent them becoming radicalised.</p>			
<p>Work Programme Review Julie Higgins briefly addressed the partnerships priorities which were set out January 2009 and if these have been addressed. Subjects that require further attention are Housing options/Homelessness and Floating Support. Suggestions made include a review of Compass/Choice Based Lettings and the Mortgage Rescue Scheme.</p>		<p>Partnership to think of suggested topics for next years priorities. Send to Julie Higgins or Simon Rogalski.</p>	<p>Julie Higgins Housing Strategy Team Leader Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council (01642) 526662</p> <p>Simon Rogalski Housing Strategy Officer Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council (01642) 528359</p>
<p>Renaissance Update CAA – final report not yet released; due in December 2009. Concerns that national standards have increased and the gap has not closed. Headline data to be pick up at a later date.</p> <p>Workshops</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Employability - Alcohol Awareness (hand out provided) 			<p>Simon Rogalski Housing Strategy Officer Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council (01642) 528359</p>
<p>Any Other Urgent Business None</p>			
<p>Date and Time of next meeting Tuesday 26th January 2010, 10am, Destiny Centre, 395 Norton Road, Norton, Stockton-on-Tees, TS20 2QQ (<i>Note: rescheduled from Tuesday 12th January 2010</i>)</p>			<p>Simon Rogalski Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council Housing Strategy Officer (01642) 528359</p>

Present:**Partnership Members:**

Dave Pickard, Tristar Homes Ltd (Chair)	John Oxborough, Anchor Housing	Kathryn West, Anchor Housing
Andrea Ainsley, Places for People	Lesley Wardle, Places for People	Jamie Smith, Cleveland Police
Val Scollen, Billingham Partnership	Phil Toal, FHM Northeast	Nick Winn, National Probation Service Teesside
Adam Thorn, Housing Options, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	Cllr Julia Cherrett, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	Michelle Street, Stockton Flats
Stuart Oliver, Broadacres	Suzie Thompson, Fabrick Housing Group	

Advisors/Officers

Dave Stamper, Private Sector Housing, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	Simon Rogalski, Housing Strategy and Development, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	Tracey Oliver, Housing Strategy and Development, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Karen Clifford, Private Sector Housing, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	Adam Thorn, Housing Options, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	

Apologies:**Partnership Members:**

Cllr Steve Nelson, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	Julie Nixon, Head of Housing, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	Cllr Suzanne Fletcher, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Helen Dixon, ASB Team, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	Peter Smith, Adult Strategy Team, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	Tracy Bradburn, HOME
Diane Smith, Endeavour HA	Wanda Graham, Accent	Julie Allen, National Probation Service Teesside
Chris Fixter, Jomast Properties	Janine Browne, Stockton SDAIS	Matt Reeves, Cleveland Police
Sue Thompson, National Landlords Association – Teesside Branch	Mr Thind, MS Properties	