

BURNLEY ACTION PARTNERSHIP

HOUSING GROUP

BURNLEY TOWN HALL, DEC 14TH 2009

Minute Note

PRESENT

Mike Cook	Burnley Borough Council
Paul Gatrell	Burnley Borough Council
Mick Wellock	Burnley Borough Council
Andy Williams	Calico
Helen James	Calico
Tony Harrison	BCN
Gordon Howley	BCN
Andrew Gundry	BCN
Claire Smith	Great Places
Salma Arshad	Great Places
Paul Stanners	Harvest Housing

APOLOGIES

Shaun Finegan	Accent Group
Steve Glover	Harvest Housing
Terry Hephrun	BCN

CONTEXT FOR THE MEETING

Mike took the group through the background and outcomes of the review of BAP in 2007 and the wish to see a housing group established. The group would closely link to the partnerships economic group, Burnley Vision Board.

The issue had been recently raised again at a BAP Exec and Mike had agreed to convene today's meeting to scope out the group's possibilities. Mike briefed the group that at the BAP Exec he had made it clear that the group would need to be a light touch group, not one making huge demands on partners time or capacity. This was particularly the case for the Borough Council.

The other context to the group's discussion was the emerging , newly reviewed Sustainable Community Strategy, Burnley's Future. This was being widely consulted on with a view to BAP adopting the new Strategy in the spring. All partners were being urged to send any comments/thoughts to the BAP Office at the Council.

THE GROUP'S ROLE

Following a detailed discussion those present agreed there was a need for a group bringing together housing partners, that everyone had a "shared agenda". The main remit of the group would be to;

1. Oversee, develop and review relevant strategies.
- 2 Deal with practical co-ordination issues affecting housing provision/opportunities in Burnley.
- 3 Try to ensure greater cross - thematic working, particularly within BAP's structure.
- 4 Ensure co-ordination of consultation in the housing field.
- 5 Develop opportunities for partnership working/ bidding on projects.
- 6 Deliver an annual work programme
- 7 Be responsible for ensuring Burnley's relevant housing contributions to the Pennine Lancashire MAA and the Lancashire LAA are delivered.
- 8 Ensure involved partners are supported where appropriate

PENNINE LANCASHIRE CONTEXT

Paul Gatrell took the group through the latest position regarding the soon to be finalised Pennine Lancashire Housing Strategy, its relationship to the PL MAA, and its governance through the Pennine Lancashire Housing Partnership. It was fully integrated at a sub regional level with the Regional Housing Strategy.

The group was then briefed on the current position regarding both PLLACE and the emerging PL Economic Development Company (note now named Regenerate Pennine Lancashire or RPL).

REGIONAL HOUSING UPDATE

Paul Gatrell feedback to the group on recent Regional Housing Group/North West Housing Forum activity, particularly noting the emergence of the NW Housing and Regeneration Board.

FUTURE AGENDA'S / NEXT MEETING

A range of suggestions was considered. It was agreed the next meeting would consider;

- An overview of the Borough's and PL's Housing Strategy
- An overview of the Borough's HMR programme
- The Private Rented Sector in the Borough

The next meeting will be held on the 25th March 2010, 2.00pm at Burnley Town Hall