

‘ONE NORBITON, WORKING TOGETHER’

Meeting Title: Housing Sub Group Minutes

Date and Time: Thursday 2nd 2012 at 3.00pm-5.00pm

Venue Address: Piper Hall, Piper Road, Kingston

Attendance: Simon Oelman (SO) (Chair); Tony Willis (TW); Denise Parry (DP); Eleanor Jones (EJ); Tim Bell (TB); Sheila Griffin (SG); Peter Holmes (PH); Rebecca Murphy (RM); Davinder Lail (Apologies)

| Item | Minutes | Action |
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| 2. | SO welcomed everyone and those present introduced themselves. | |
| 3. | SO led discussion including: | |
| | Estate Management Agreements (EMA’S) | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empowering residents to make decisions eg the CRE are concentrating on caretaking issues • Fits with localism agenda and ONWT • Scrutiny – Evaluate in detail at performance of RBK including waste, highways etc | |
| | AP Clarify £75k for CRE/CG and what exactly this can be used for. | SO |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waters Square – Site declared surplus, residents told they will be re-housed 09/02. To be developed by Thames Valley Housing Association, Housing group can be involved in decision making. • Private waste land – RBK can CPO, but expensive etc • Affordable Housing – 80% of market rate • Tenancy Strategy – Lifelong tenancies • Vacant Property – 400 approx in Norbiton, long term voids =15 Funding available to bring these back into usage. Norbiton Estate mostly 3 beds cost being around £40k each because of lack of damp proofing, inadequate heating etc | |
| | AP How many voids in the Private sector – Council Tax records which show vacancies for more than six months. | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Night Shelters – 36 residents in six weeks • Piper Hall Area – nothing planned for re-development, Group can contribute to ideas for the area. | RM |

4. Brainstorming Session led by EJ

Three main headings:

1. Actions
2. Influencing
3. Calling to Account

Number of issues:

- Fuel Poverty
- Grants Available
- Homelessness/Sofa Surfing
- Skills from Homelessness
- EMA Model
- Involvement in planning of new developments

Group Headings of Ideas and Outputs

1. Communication inc complaints/complements
 2. Fuel Poverty
 3. Planning Permission
 4. Anti-Poverty
- Community influencing Planning?

Possible training opportunities

HRA/Housing Finance

5. AOB

AP Consultation HMOs Survey to be distributed (RM)

TW/ALL

6. Next Meeting – Date/Time

Tuesday 21st February