

SHARE FORUM, Meeting 1

Meeting Notes

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2006

Attended By:

- Cllr. Roger Kennedy, South Tipperary County Council
- John O Connell, South Tipperary County Council, Housing Section
- Eoin O Donoghue, North Tipperary County Council, Housing Section
- Niall O Keffe, National Association of Building Co-operatives
- Emma Mooney, Tipperary Energy Agency

Apologies:

- Joe O Brien, Construction Ireland
- Tess Collins, Tenant Liason Officer, South Tipperary County Council
- Margot Hayse, Rapid Co-ordinator
- Marie Hoctor TD, North Tipperary County Council
- Ger Walshe, Director of Services Housing (Acting) South Tipperary County Council.
- Kathleen Prendergast, Rapid Co-ordinator, South Tipperary County Council
- Marie McGivern, Administrative Officer, South Tipperary County Council
- Cllr. Phil Prendergast, South Tipperary County Council

Absent:

- Tom Gallahue, Construction Industry Federation
- Vincent Keenan, National Association of Building Co-operatives

**Item 1            Presentation and introduction to project**

(See attached Presentation)

**Item 2            Introduction of attendees and discussion on the current  
                         issues and activities.**

**Item 3            Defining the focus of the SHARE forum**

The key findings from the discussion were:

1. The forum should be a place to discuss best practice in social housing.
2. The forum should be used to increase the knowledge of the members.
3. The forum should be used to liaise with the department if possible.
4. The forum should be used as an exchange of ideas and a place where new developments can be discussed by uninterested parties.
5. All members were interested in potential site visits, visiting speakers etc.
6. All members were interested in training opportunities.
7. Want to set up a 'forum' network through email where ideas can be exchanged, queries can be posted etc.
8. Retrofit and newbuild houses should be included in the forum.
9. The requirements of the tenants are to be included in all aspects of the work of the forum.

**Item 4            Next Steps**

- Emma Mooney is to come up with a suggestion list of topics/ideas/site visits to be proposed as the focus for the future SHARE forum meetings.
- The forum would like to start with the basics of social housing and retrofit i.e. the building fabric etc. and move forward from there.

**Item 5            AOB**

- It was agreed that the next SHARE forum meeting would take place in late Autumn 2006. Emma Mooney to circulate proposed date.