



SHARE Social Housing Forum 4

Friday 19th January 2007

*Gloucester City Homes, Atlantic Suite
Southgate Street, Southgate House, Gloucester*

Attendance

John Mann (Chair), Director of Asset Management, Gloucester City Homes,
Colin Coopey, Gloucester City Homes
Jeremy Tuberville, Fosseway Housing Association
Tony Hayes, Property Services Manager, Wyedean HA
Stephen McDonnell, Gloucester City Council
Sandra Hickmore, Tenant Representative, Stroud DC Housing
Linda Wright, Tenant Representative, Stroud DC Housing
Roger Sparks, Housing Enabling Officer, Cheltenham Borough Council
Eric Wilson, Stock Information Officer, Cheltenham Borough Homes
Mark Sutton, Contract Officer, Stroud District Council
Mark Way, Two Rivers Housing
Sue Wilson, Two Rivers Housing
John Archer, Fosseway Housing Association
Jane Byett, Oxbode Housing
Ruth Kirkup, Stroud District Council
Kaye Welfare, Severn Wye Energy Agency
Paul Sheridan, Severn Wye Energy Agency

1. Welcome and introductions

John Mann Gloucester, City Homes welcomed all to the meeting and apologised that he would not be able to stay till the end. All attending introduced themselves and their organisation.

2. Progress updates and notes from last meeting.- Kaye Welfare went over the notes from the last meeting were discussed the following actions agreed:

- a. Cheltenham Forum for HA and landlords be contacted to attend the next Forum meeting. (since meeting KW has arranged to give presentation to this group) **Action Kaye Welfare**

- b. All RSL's to ensure they have links to the SHARE website and vice versa the project website www.socialhousingaction.com has a wealth of information including updates of forums, training sessions and the awareness activity. It also includes energy briefing notes for housing professionals in Gloucestershire.

Action: all forward Paul Sheridan relevant links

3. **Update - awareness and training material**

Kaye Welfare, updated the group on changes at SWEA. Dinyar Baria has left SWEA to return to npower. KW will be taking over the running of the forums for the time being, Sarah Giff and Pete West are responsible for training courses and Paul Sheridan for contact with tenants and awareness and promotional events.

KW updated group on the planned training sessions and encouraged both tenants and staff to attend the courses that have been specifically developed to for mixed groups of both tenants and staff. Those present that had already attended course commented on their value and the excellent trainers. SWEA hope to organise another round of training session in the summer.

The range of posters, leaflets and fact sheets was discussed; these are all available on the SHARE website for all to down load. Those RSL's who have SLA with SWEA have access to these with their own logos on. Paul Sheridan encouraged these resources to be used by RSLs

Action: Paul Sheridan to distribute "ASK Penny" posters at relevant One Stop shops and Neighbourhood Projects.

4. **Date and content of Next Forum**

It was suggested that one of the issues for the next forum may be to discuss what each member is doing and what has worked well / not worked especially in terms of heating systems.

Action: All - Each member (where appropriate) to come prepared to do a short update on to next Forum.

Action Linda Wright: offered to do web search for other areas to see what other HA's are doing nationally

The Next forum will take place in May - date and time to be confirmed

13.30 – Break for Lunch

The above meeting was followed by a facilitated work shop to discuss the development of Gloucestershire Affordable Warmth Partnership action plan for Social Housing. A summary of the outcome are attached.