



NOTES OF ONLINE MEETING HELD ON 15th FEBRUARY 2022

Present:

William Derrick, Robert Cairney, Anna Johnston, Hugh McClung, Mags Hughes, Margaretanne Browne
Tony Kelly, Independent Tenant Participation Officer

Apologies: Moira Robertson, Philomena McClung

Unable to join: Alec Lamb, Thomas Brown, Delia Waddell, Duncan Faichney.

William welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting:

Minutes of meeting held on 18th January 2022 had been circulated and were approved by Hugh, seconded by Margaretanne.

Business arising:

1. Page 2 - Independent TP Officer's Report – No further progress has been made with draft protocol but Tony had clarified that what Gillian is putting together will be up for discussion.
2. Page 3 – Open Door – Mags emphasized that support is needed for those tenants with hearing or sight problems when Council is producing the Open Door.
3. Page 3 – ASB – Regarding the point raised by William concerning ASB in Cowie he had raised this matter at Housing Advisory Group. Following the meeting Stephen Clark and Gillian Findlay had contacted William to advise that the problem has been referred to Roseann Robertson.

Chair's Report:

1. William had nothing to report that won't be covered later in the agenda.

Secretary's Report:

1. Anna continues to forward e-mails she receives from TPAS etc. to all STA members.
2. Facebook page is kept updated.
3. TPAS Conference = It is hoped that the Conference will go ahead from 10th to 12th June 2022 at the Jubilee Hotel in Clydebank.
4. Housing Allocations Policy – Following on from Steven McCabe saying that he would be happy to meet with the STA in early 2022 to discuss plans for the annual review of the Housing Allocations Policy, he will be invited to attend the next STA meeting in March.
5. As Moira is now attending a further education class on a Tuesday morning, and as Anna's appointments at FVRH have been changed from a Thursday afternoon to a Tuesday morning, Anna asked if it would be possible for STA meetings to be held on the 3rd Wednesday of every month (except July) instead of on the 3rd Tuesday. This was agreed.

Treasurer's Report:

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1. Anna reported on Moira's behalf that the cheque Moira had sent to Kiswebs had now been cleared. The cheque she had sent to TPAS to pay for the Conference has not been cleared but TPAS will retain this until, hopefully, the Conference goes ahead in June.

Independent TP Officer's Report:

1. Tony reported that he has been trying to find out what is happening with the Travellers' site.
2. Moira has asked Tony to raise at the Repairs Group that there are 2 void properties in her area – she has provided Tony with details and asked if he could get an update on what is happening with the properties.
William also reported that there are 2 empty properties in Cowie – have been empty for quite some time.
Hugh wondered what is happening with cyclical repairs – owner of property above Hugh's house had agreed to pay for half of the roof repairs but nothing has been done and that owner has now sold the property and moved on.
Also concerning the Repairs Group Tony has asked for an update on the annual report on repairs.
3. Tony wondered if there had ever been a group, similar to the Repairs Group, for Housing Management. Hugh said that we do look at the performances prior to the Annual Return being submitted to the Regulator. He added that we did used to meet with Carol Hamilton and Tony was asked to speak to Gillian Findlay to see if a group could be put in place.

Any other Reports:

Hugh had e-mailed his reports as follows:

"Region 4 Network 20th January.

Nothing much to report as January is usually a "quiet month".

New work plan/Communication strategy for ALL Networks under review so that we are all commenting/reporting/discussing similar issues at the same time.

No reports from Working Groups except HRA and Rent Focus Group:

HRA. No comment from Cabinet Secretary except that she had met with COSLA to discuss why LA's are spending HRA monies on contracts not directly attached to HRA projects. Awaiting a report.

Rent Focus Group. Had a meeting with Minister Harvie to discuss. Current consultation on Private Sector rents now out. More to come.

Next meeting: 17th March, 28 April, 21st May (AGM).

Networks Chair & Secretary's. 8th February.

Same report as Region 4.

HAG 21/1/22

Rent Increase 2022/23. Most tenants responding to the survey have voted in favour of 1.1% increase. 347 tenants responded.

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Noted projects being built on Newpark Farm & Glasgow Road. 46 Homes from 185 Ogilvie homes at Newpark Farm will be for affordable rents. 8 social housing units at Glasgow Road.

Phase 6 & 8 of Raploch Regeneration and this will continue the current development by Robertson Construction of 32 homes for Stirling Council, 36 for Forth Housing Association. I queried that site 6 was contaminated and it was replied that this was only a surface contamination and that it had been dispersed. (NB. Can someone correct me.....at the planning stage (during Tony Cain's reign as CHO) did we not discuss a deeper contamination site 6 (Gowanhill Gardens) and that it would require some de-contamination processes.). These sites will progress during 2022/23.

New Scrutiny Panel set up by the Council to discuss Anti-Social Behaviour. Tenants will be consulted (see report below.).

Next meeting 11 March 2022.

Special HAG Meeting 11/02/2022/

/Special Meeting to discuss:

Anti Social Behaviour Report (ASB):

New addition to Allocations report including new ASB Strategy (provisional):

Sensitive Lettings:

Probationary Tenancies.

Many comments were made by tenant members of HAG to discuss the issues surrounding ASB and to discussion on the new proposals.

No clear consensus was reached but comments would be passed to a Special Council meeting. In the meantime, whatever the Council decides will come back to tenants for further discussion.

We shall see."

Anna thanked Hugh for submitting the reports via e-mail.

Any other business:

1. Regarding the Ad hoc Scrutiny Panel Hugh felt that more time should have been taken and more tenant involvement put in place.
Anna to contact Stephen Clark to express STA's disappointment that tenants had not been consulted during the process. Without having more time to consider it we cannot fully comment.
Robert was of the opinion that there has been a lack of transparency.
2. Hugh indicated that, owing to health issues, he will be resigning from the TPAS Board at their Annual General Meeting on 23rd March 2022. William thanked Hugh for his long-term commitment

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to the TPAS Board and Tony expressed the same thanks. William added that he would like to put his name forward for election to the TPAS Board after Hugh's resignation.

3. Proposal to lease HRA land at Holmehill in Dunblane – Gregor Wightman and Robert Horne to be invited to a meeting to discuss this further.

Date of next meeting:

The next meeting will be held online on Wednesday 16th March 2022 at 10.00am.