CARLISLE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP

HOUSING MARKET GROUP

MINUTES OF MEETING 20TH JULY 2011 SLUPSK, CARLISLE CIVIC CENTRE

Attendees

Rachel Lightfoot (Chair), Graham Hale (Cumbria County Council), Cllr Marilyn Bowman (Carlisle City Council), Mally Irving (Riverside Carlisle), Jennifer Campbell (Eden Housing Association), Jocelyn Holland (CALC), Simon Taylor (Carlisle City Council), Anthony Adrianowski (Carlisle City Council)

Apologies

Phil Houghton (Lovell), Margaret Miller (Carlisle City Council), Christopher Hardman (Carlisle City Council), Anne-Marie Willmott (Impact Housing Association), Jacqui Walsh (HCA), Greg Denwood (Two Castles Housing Association), Andrew Williams (Carlisle City Council).

	Minutes	Actions
1.	Apologies	
	As above	
2.	Minutes of the Last Meeting	
	Taken as a true record	
3.	Matters Arising & Actions	
	There were no matters arising.	
	Actions:	
	 Jocelyn Holland requested that an Executive Summary of the final report of the Housing Need and Demand Study needs to be available. 	Carlisle City Council can confirm that an Executive Summary will be provided.
	 Discuss issue of an integrated approach to planning obligations for new developments at the next Strategic Housing Development Group 	Simon Taylor/ Andrew Williams to bring this to the next meeting.
4.	The Local Strategic Partnership	
	Phil Houghton, area manager for Lovell, is the chair of the Strategic Housing Partnership, and will sit on the executive of the Local Strategic Partnership.	

5.	Housing Demand and Needs Study – an update	
	We achieved a return rate of 21% from our housing needs survey (more than 2,000 completed surveys); these surveys are currently being looked at by GL Hearn, our commissioned consultants. Simon Taylor raised the issue of the latest Office of National Statistics data for the POPGROUP/Experian Modelling – Graham Hale to check and report back.	Graham Hale to look into the progress of the POPGROUP Modelling.
	The final report is expected in August. Queries were made regarding the following;	Carlisle City Council to report back to the
	 Provision of an executive summary Use of good practice examples Referencing in the report Drawing out key issues in the report 	group.
6	Housing Supply over the next 4 years	
	Due to the reduction in grant availability, there is a need to look at alternative ways of working. Avenues include:	
	 Identifying and releasing land at best value for Affordable Housing. 	
	 Taking advantage of new legislation, eg. Community Infrastructure Levy, New Homes Bonus, Affordable Rents and changes to the Housing Benefit/Local Housing Allowance Rates. 	
	 Better use of s106 Agreements and offsite provision of affordable housing and better use of green spaces 	
	How the Council intends to do this will be explored in the Housing Need and Demand Study, as well as the Housing Strategy – we will be consulting on this document in the Autumn.	
7.	The Affordable Housing Programme	
	Carlisle supported five identified bids, and we are waiting to hear official confirmation of which bids were successful.	Details on successful bids to be circulated around group.
8	Agenda Items for next Meeting Viability & section 106 obligations.	
9.	Date of next meeting	
	Tuesday 18 th October 2011 – 2pm Venue: Slupsk, Civic Centre	