

**MINUTES OF
ALT AND SHOLVER PARTNERSHIP BOARD MEETING
28th March 2007, CIVIC CENTRE**

PRESENT:

Cllr Dave Hibbert, Cabinet Member for Regeneration
Clifford Leach: Alt Tenants and Residents' Association
Sheila Fletcher: Alt TRA
Sue Ingham: Sholver Tenant Management Organisation
Rose Johnstone: Sholver TMO
Amit Khan, Alt Local Business Member
Cllr Glynis Shaw: Alexandra Ward
Cllr Hugh McDonald, Alexandra Ward
Cllr Jackie Stanton: St James Ward
Cllr Roger Hindle: St James Ward
John Billington: Regeneration Unit, OMBC
Mark Glynn: Housing Market Renewal Team
Mushtaq Khan: OMBC Housing Strategy Unit
Joanne Bentley: FCHO East Area Services Manager
Kevin Clarke: Alt / Sholver Project Officer
Zerg Raja: Alt / Sholver Consultation Officer

APOLOGIES:

Lila Wilson.

1. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 31 October 2006

Accepted as accurate record.

2. MATTERS ARISING

KC confirmed that Alt TRA representatives on the board would now be Clifford Leach and Sheila Fletcher.

KC confirmed that a sight meeting has taken place regarding the demolition of void flats in Alt. Work will begin in April 2007.

3. OPTIONS APPRIASAL / PREPARATION FOR PREFERRED OPTION

KC confirmed the deliver of the Alt and Sholver Partnership feedback newsletter to both estates. The newsletter gives feedback on the popularity of the each idea and highlights key aspects. The newsletter for Alt also updates the community on progress made in highlighting the need for a bus service for the area through GMPTE.

The board reviewed how each of the objectives set by the Partnership Board at the outset are now being used to set criteria for moving from the options presented through

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to a Preferred Option ; the board considered each of the options against a matrix showing these criteria.

CL expressed concern over how well the options as presented in the 'matrix' reflect the views of residents through the consultation activities undertaken to date. MG advised that the matrix is a basis to develop the options, rather than simply an assessment of views. Information to residents throughout the process had stressed that an outline Neighbourhood Plan would reflect a mix of views from the most popular options, residents' detailed comments and guidelines from the agencies involved.

KC confirmed that the preferred option for each area has not yet been developed but that this 'matrix' will form the basis developing the options. It was agreed that the matrix would be developed further as the project progresses.

RJ requested clarity on plans for the Millennium Green, Sholver and it's status as a Trust. DH stated that planning regulations for use of the Millennium Green are very restrictive and a considerable amount of work would need to be done to satisfy key requirements before any changes could be considered for the Millennium Green.

KC advised that comments from the consultation activities to date suggest a desire from the community to develop the Millennium Green to get better use out of it. It was suggested that where the existing Millennium Green land is not appropriate for recreation, a more appropriate piece could be identified and made available but this would have to be subject to agreement with the signatories to the Millennium Trust. If agreed, this could allow areas of the Millennium Green to be better utilised, as part of the overall improvements for the Sholver area.

4. RESOURCES FOR PROCUREMENT OF DEVELOPERS

With reference to the report entitled 'Next Steps for Alt and Sholver Regeneration' KC emphasised the need to sustain the momentum of the project and to forward plan for the partnership's needs from procurement partners.

JS highlighted the benefit of retaining FCHO as the management agent for the social housing stock which will be replaced as part of the project. MG agreed that expert advice and guidance is needed to clarify and find solutions to allow FCHO to access funding streams as Registered Social Landlords are able to.

MG confirmed that the approach being taken in forward planning for procurement is vital in enabling the delivery of a better project.

Cllr Hibbert commented that delays in the process should not be tolerated as the uncertainty among local communities is inevitably damaging.

5. FUTURE MEETING DATES

The board agreed option 2 for future meeting dates, all to commence at 5.45pm :

10 May 2007 / 14 June 2007 / 9 August 2007 / 9 October 2007 / 11 December 2007

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6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

7. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING: Thurs 10 May 2007 at 5.45pm

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