

North East Tenant Voice (NETV) Meeting

Friday 03 December, 10:30am – 12:30pm

via Zoom



Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Name	Organisation	T/O
Alan Black	Livin	T
Amanda Mason	Northumberland CC	O
Andrew Watson	Home Group	O
Angela Stobbart	Believe Housing	O
Anne Mahone	Johnnie Johnson Housing	T
Anne Potts	Karbon Homes	T
Anthony King	Darlington	T
Brenda Naisby	Gentoo	T
Dorothy Mead	Beyond Housing	T
Drew Hardwick	Home Group	T
Emily Sinclair	Your Homes Newcastle	O
Emily Thomas	Broadacres Housing Association	O
Ian McKenzie	Gateshead Council	T
Jackie Greenwood	Your Homes Newcastle	T
Jim Scollen	Thirteen	T
Jo-Anne Parkinson	Gentoo	O
John Dannell	Gentoo	T
Kathleen Newell	Johnnie Johnson Housing	T
Lewis Rimington	Karbon Homes	O
Matthew Hufford	Darlington Borough Council	O
Michael Lisle	Karbon	T
Nigel Wilson	Gentoo	O
Pam McIvor	Thirteen	T
Sarah Warren	Broadacres	T
Sarah Whittaker	Thirteen Group	O
Sheila Capuano	Bernicia	T
Williamena Keal	Livin	T

The attendance list reflects the individuals who could be identified on the zoom call. Please let Leanne Farrell know any amendments so an updated list can be circulated.

Name	Organisation	Role
Gillian McLaren	Tpas	Facilitator
Emma Gilpin	Tpas	Facilitator
Leanne Farrell	Tpas	Facilitator/Minutes
Martin Hilditch	Inside Housing	Media

Apologies:



Name	Organisation	T/O
Anda Baraskina	Beyond Housing	T
Dave Fidgeon	Bernicia	T
Dawn Pearson	Northumberland CC	T
Des Mahon	Broadacres	T
Karen Chittenden	Believe	T
Michelle Kidd	Livin	T
Tanya Tucker	Believe	T
Terry Chittenden	Believe	T
Carole Tilley	Believe Housing	O
Jo Avery	Believe Housing	O

1. Welcome

Gillian McLaren, Tpas, welcomed all to the meeting.

Martin Hilditch introduced himself as editor of Inside Housing and a brief overview as to why he wanted to attend the meeting for the purpose of producing an article on the NETV.

In a Round Robin, NETV members fed back to Martin the reasons they became involved in the group.

2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 14 October 2021 were agreed as a true record.

3. Launch event

Research and findings from the Launch event group were fed back by each of the members:

Alan Black: Durham venue

Sheila Capuano: South Shields venue

Ian McKenzie: Promotional materials

There was various discussions around suitability of venues; accessibility; catering; whether the NETV can source sponsorship for the event.

The group specifically want to look at community venues and ensure the event is creative, sustainable and eco-friendly.

A further 4 NETV members volunteered to join the Launch group:

Williamena Keal

Pam Mclvor

Brenda Naisby

Sarah Warren

Actioned: New Launch group members added to the circulation list and email addresses shared with existing group members.

Leanne provided an update on funding. The original funding amount was £11,750. Minus Tpas project fee (£1,800 + VAT) the current balance is £9,950.



4. NHF event feedback

NETV members who attended the NHF event were asked to feedback to the group how they found the event.

Members commented on the discussion of the White Paper and what this means; what policies and procedures can be put in place to improve housing policy going forward; the levelling-up agenda; how things can improve once the Decent Homes standard has been implemented.

Action: Tpas to source any papers/presentations/materials from the even to share with the wider group

Actioned: Tpas contacted the NHF – post-event briefing papers being drawn up and will be available in the New Year.

5. Tpas Proposal

Gill gave an overview of NETV progress since Tpas started facilitating the meetings.

Explanation that Tpas is a not for profit organisation and most of Tpas' work with the NETV has been funded through Tpas membership.

Pam McIvor was nominated to take over as Zoom host for the meeting and as designated note-taker.

Tpas then left the meeting to ensure the NETV could discuss the proposal openly and transparently.

Date of next meeting: TBC