

DERWENT LIVING BOARD PEER REVIEW

Report of the Chief Executive

1. SUMMARY

Derwent Living has invited us to attend their Board meeting on 8 March 2011 at 6.00 pm at Centro Place, Pride Park, Derby. Attendees are Bob Osler, Iain MacDonald and Tabani Ndlovu, plus officers.

2. RECOMMENDATION

To agree the approach to be adopted for the Board peer review at Derwent Living.

3. MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 In the past we have attended Trent and Dove Housing Association and Sheffield Homes ALMO Board meetings.
- 3.2 The benefits of this approach is the chance it gives Board Members to compare another housing organisations' Board arrangements with those we operate in Derby Homes – what is done differently, what works well and not so well, what should we adopt as better practice, and what should we feedback to Derwent Living?
 - Pre meeting arrangements, buffet, interactions of Board members and staff
 - Chair's role and relationship with rest of Board and staff
 - Length, detail, subject matter, clarity of reports
 - Methods of presentation of reports
 - Efficiency, effectiveness, timeliness and how businesslike was the meeting
 - Contribution from Board Members and staff during the meeting
 - Board dynamics, team working, challenge, capabilities
 - Layout of boardroom, , equipment and IT used.
- 3.3 A questionnaire based on the above will be prepared for each attendee to complete and this can be collated and a further report prepared for future Chair's meeting, provide feedback to Derwent Living's Board and agree any changes for Derby Homes.
- 3.4 Copies of the agenda will hopefully be available and be issued to all attendees to read ahead of the meeting.

The areas listed below have no implications directly arising from this report

- Consultation
- Financial and Business Plan
- Legal and Confidentiality
- Personnel
- Environmental
- Equalities Impact Assessment
- Health & Safety
- Risk
- Policy Review

If Board members or others would like to discuss this report ahead of the meeting please contact the author, or the Chief Executive, phil.davies@derbyhomes.org - Tel 01332 888528

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