

**HOUSING MARKET RENEWAL PATHFINDER**  
**Wednesday, 31st March, 2010**

Present:- Councillor Akhtar (in the Chair); Councillors Kaye and Whelbourn.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Falvey and Lakin.

**32. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Resolved:- That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any person (including the Council)).

**33. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 14TH DECEMBER, 2009**

Agreed:- The minutes of the meeting held on 14th December, 2009, be approved as a true record.

**34. ADF CHAIRS**

Members noted the ADF Chairs' reports which highlighted:-

**Rawmarsh and Parkgate**

Goodwin Avenue  
Mahon Avenue  
Clarence Hotel  
Improvements to Gateway Corridor A633  
Parkgate Village Project  
Rawmarsh Hill  
Regeneration of Service Centre/ New Homes  
Better Public Spaces

**Rotherham East**

Eldon Road  
Longfellow Drive  
Dalton and East Herringthorpe Development Framework  
Eastwood Masterplan  
Remodelling – Demonstrator Project  
Doncaster Road, East Dene  
Chesterhill Avenue, Dalton  
Neighbourhood Safety

**Wath and Swinton**

The Dearne Valley Vision  
Almond Place  
White Bear Estate  
Brameld Road  
Cliffe Bank  
Swinton Gateway/ Green Linkages  
Brampton Bierlow/ Knolbeck Lane

**Rotherham West**

Henley Rise ECO Homes  
Canklow Woods  
Fernbank Development  
Bennett Street Development  
Munsdale  
Castle Avenue/ Warden Street/ Canklow Road  
St. Johns Green Study  
West Central Sustainable Action Plan  
Gateway Improvements  
Public Art Feature

**Town Centre**

Nos. 15-21 Moorgate Road  
Hollowgate  
Doncaster Gate  
Wellgate  
Westgate Demonstrator

**Dinnington**

Masterplanning  
Leicester Road  
Monksbridge Phase 1  
Victoria Street  
Relocation of Medieval Cross  
Private Sector Housing Enforcement  
Dinnington Landlords' Forum  
Monksbridge Terrace  
Doe Quarry and Silverdales

**Maltby**

China Town Street Scene Improvements  
Abbey Reach Garden Scheme  
Model Village Parking Scheme  
Tarrans Redevelopment  
Private Sector Housing Enforcement  
New Council Homes

Agreed:- That the briefings be noted.

### 35. STRATEGIC ACQUISITIONS UPDATE

Melvyn Clayton, Development Surveyor, submitted an update report with regard to progress made with specific land and property assets identified for potential acquisition.

He also gave a verbal update on negotiations with the owner of Job Lot. It was hoped that a settlement would be reached very shortly. Meetings had been held with representatives of the tenants.

Agreed:- That the report be noted.

### 36. HMR FINANCIAL UPDATE

Joel Gouget, Finance Manager, Neighbourhood Investment Team, gave an overview of information relating to the financial monitoring of the HMR Pathfinder Programme.

2009/ 10 had been a very successful year in terms of spend and all outputs achieved.

Agreed:- That the information be noted.

### 37. TSY BOARD

The TSY Board had held an away day on 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2010. where presentations had been given by each of the 4 local authorities on their delivery programme for 2010/ 11 highlighting the effects of the challenges that housing market presented in terms of delivery but also look forward towards what was coming up in delivery terms.

The presentations had shown some common aspects to delivery across the Programme in terms of challenges and also in terms of approaches to delivery.

The following was also discussed:-

- 2010/ 11 Programme - Rotherham's Programme was signed off
- Future role of TSY - a small Working Group had been established with a view to a sub-regional approach to delivery of housing going forward
- Analysis of housing market
- Focus on skills and jobs in any development

The Board had congratulated Rotherham on its excellent

presentation and performance over the last year.

The Chairman thanked everyone involved for their work in achieving all the targets set.

Agreed:- That the report be noted.

### **38. HMRP PROGRESS AND THE YEAR AHEAD**

As referred to the previous Minute, a presentation was given to a recent TSY Board on the Rotherham Programme 2010/ 11 as follows:-

- Key Messages
  - o Exceeded expectations in 2009/ 10
  - o Expenditure in 2009/ 10 was £16M, in 2010/ 11 only £7M available
  - o Reducing staff budget and uncertainty over funding delivery team going forward
  - o Capacity to deliver many more schemes
  - o Major residential sites assembled and in Council control
  
- 2009/ 10
  - o An Overview
  - o New Build/ Conversion
  - o Land Assembly
  - o Private Sector Support
  - o Innovation
  - o Overview of Achievements and Challenges
  
- 2010/ 11 Investment Programme
  - o What Next
  - o Finish what we started
  - o Stimulate the housing market
  - o Support local employment
  - o Continue to innovate
  - o Funding requirement
  - o Spatial priority areas
  - o A programme to achieve positive outcomes for local people and places
  
- 2011/ 14 Investment Programme

Agreed:- That the presentation be noted.

### **39. THE SINGLE CONVERSATION AND THE 2011-14 PROGRAMME**

Tom Bell, Neighbourhood Investment Manager, drew attention to the following:-

- First workshop scheduled for 27<sup>th</sup> April
- Discussions held with ADF Steering Groups regarding the projects they would like to see included in the Programme and the priority which should be applied
- Outline programme of £47M (HMR/ Growth/ RHB)
- Did not include the National Affordable Housing Programme
- Focus on key spatial priority area and key investment themes
- Critical process
- Need to maintain high performance on delivery of the existing programme
- Potential public sector spending cuts beyond 2011
- Managing expectations
- New initiatives with the private sector
- Understanding and measuring outcomes

Agreed:- That arrangements be made for an All Member Seminar to be held in June, 2010.

**40. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business to report.

**41. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Agreed:- That a further meeting be held on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 at 2.00 p.m.