



## Minutes of Executive Committee

Monday 5 June 2017

Yorkshire Housing, 44 Call Lane, Leeds LS1 6DT

Present: Shelagh Marshall (Chair), George Wood (Vice Chair), John Welham (Vice Chair), Wendy Cocks, Gertrude Silman, Audrey Cook, Mandy Cook, David Jeffels, Danny Brown,

In attendance: Julia Edmunds (Coordinator)

Apologies: Richard Palmer, Alan Stewart, Mashud Haq, Neil Martin, Mary Laurenson  
Diana Al-Saadi, Nancy Earwood, Hilary Thompson

	Action	Date
<p><b>1. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising</b> The minutes were agreed. Matters arising – following work to clean up and update the database we now have a contact list of about 100.</p>		
<p><b>2. Future of Future Years: Awards for All</b> We have enough funds for FY to continue until the end of this financial year. The Operations Group, having taken advice from Big Lottery Fund and Community First Yorkshire, decided to put in an application to Awards for All. We need to consult members and identify gaps in provision for consultation of older people across the region. The proposal would be to engage a sessional worker to organise workshops around the region using a model similar to work George and Shelagh did on loneliness. Discussion about how to reach BAME groups and that holding events in different areas would help with the reach of FY. There is also a longer term issue about accessing core funding.</p>		
<p><b>3. Governance</b> Future Years is not a legal entity, having previously come under the auspices of Age UK Yorkshire and Humber. We would need to apply for charitable status in order to access some pots of funding. It was agreed; however this is not a priority at this stage and will be considered after the bid to</p>		

Awards for All is submitted.		
<p><b>4. Budget and Finances</b></p> <p>2016-2017; We spent about £6,270 more than we had in income but we had carried over funding from the previous year so have about £10k left in the bank account which will cover our expenditure until end of March 2018.</p> <p>2017-2018: we need about £11.5k pa to run as we currently do or about £600 pcm if we don't hold a big AGM/conference which we may need to cut back on this year. We will know by the end of the year if we have been successful with Awards for All and if we need to make contingency plans. We can still seek sponsorship for larger events.</p>		
<p><b>5. Feedback from National Meetings</b></p> <p>The National Older People's Housing Network have produced a Housing manifesto which can be used as a reference for lobbying local housing strategies and planning. A copy is also available on the FY website.</p> <p>Shelagh is still attending national meetings on Loneliness and will continue to feedback.</p> <p>The ILC is taking over the AAA – further news after the election.</p>		
<p><b>6. EngAgeNet Survey</b></p> <p>This national network was launched in April as the voice of older people to be heard by policy makers. Most (although not all) English Forums, are represented on it, including FYYH. Their first action has been to engage with the mature Marketing Network. All areas are being asked to engage in a questionnaire on cremations/crematoriums to ensure that the views of older people are heard. Whilst we have been reassured that this is not a commercial marketing exercise and that data protection rules will be strictly adhered to, we have not seen a copy of the questionnaire prior to sending it out. This is in spite of requests. If it is successful, then it could result in more questionnaires or focus groups. A discussion ensued as to whether we should take part in it (although at this stage there is no survey) and the consensus was not to. John Welham will feedback to EngAgeNet.</p>	JW	
<p><b>7. Date of next meeting</b></p> <p>1st Sept (AGM). Potential Speaker – Leah Swain from Community First Yorkshire.</p>		