Todmorden Pride Minutes of the Open Meeting Thursday 17 January 2007 6:30pm. Old Hall, Todmorden

Present: Clare Townley Vice Chair

Malcolm Birkett Treasurer
David Storah Secretary

Hilary Myers
Chris Edwards
Simon Brearley
Cllr Janet Battye
Shaun Murray
Anne Lee
Peter Cockroft
Alan Darwin

Cllr Margaretta Holmstedt

Lynn Midwinter

In Attendance: Jenny Dadd

Helen Marshall

Peter Styles, Land Manager McCarthy & Stone

Louise Castro

Apologies: Chris Edwards

Adrian Rose James Gregory Doug Blenkey Cynthia Murray David Kirton

Chair: Clare Townley Minute Taker: Louise Castro

	Discussion	Action
80/01/08	Welcome and Apologies	
	Clare welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
81/01/08	Minutes of the Last Meeting	
	Proposed: Malcolm Birkett	
	Seconded: Alan Fiddling	
82/01/08	Matters Arising	
	Report back from Todmorden Town Council joint meeting –	
	under any other business.	
83/01/08	Declaration of Any Other Business	
	Margaretta - Report back from Todmorden Town Council	
84/01/08	Financial Report	

Current undesignated amount available: £5,879.83 Account Balance: £7,879.93 85/01/08 **Upper Calder Valley Renaissance - Update** Chris – The Upper Calder Valley Renaissance structure has been re-organised, David Fletcher was instrumental in putting the group together and it has been complicated. Upper Calder Valley Renaissance Ltd is a body representing the Town Teams and Valley Wide projects. It is preferred that each Town Team has 3 representatives on the board, from Todmorden that is Chris Edwards and Hilary Myers, just one more is required. Helen – the steering group is a little smaller with 1 representative from each Town Team, the new structure is less hieratical and more structured it is envisaged that within the new arrangements all the Valley will be updated at around the same time and to re-engage with the Valley communities. Originally over 2000 people participated at the beginning. Chris – Currently Louise is the representative on the steering group. Clare – Is there an advantage to having 4 members on the Executive with one from Walsden and 3 from Todmorden? Hilary – Executive literally means decision-making. Technicalities but people who are enthusiastic above the individual Towns and are also interested in Valley wide projects sit on the company. Malcolm – The structure of the Upper Calder Valley Renaissance and its role in Town Teams is difficult to understand. Hilary - Historically the Company was set up in 2003 following consultation. The idea has been rather thank UCVR draw solely on funding from Yorkshire Forward funding could be drawn in from other sources. Alan – So does it channel funds and what projects has it funded, and how much money does it have? If it does have funding or intends to obtain funding then it should remain a Company. Peter – Volunteered to sit as a Director on the Executive as the 3rd Todmorden Pride representative. Malcolm – Proposed David - Seconded All Agreed Helen – More positive news is Yorkshire Forward has given approval for the final allocation of monies for the UCVR

projects of Copley and Bramsche Square.

Clare – Can we get an account of money allocation for the next meeting?

Helen – Chris Evans submitted Fielden Wharf in the BURA Awards. It is suggested that a representative from Todmorden Pride attend;

Anne Lee

Proposed:

Seconded: Simon

(A copy of an e-mail from Helen regarding this award is attached)

Hilary – We should nominate someone to collect the award,

Anne Lee

Proposed: Alan Seconded: Simon

Hilary – If Councillor Kirton can not attend then perhaps we should nominate Clare to go in his place as she was involved in the early negotiations over the Sonarga building.

Lynn – Seconded

86/01/08 Bramsche Square Update

Jenny – The project has been changed and is now the Todmorden Town Centre Transformational Project.

A Cabinet report has been prepared and will be reported on 28 January 2007.

The new project team will consist of 2 members of Cabinet, 2 members from Todmorden Pride, 1 representative from Todmorden Town Council and 1 member of the Todmorden Business Association.

All to be nominated by their respective Boards.

Alan – Nominate Simon as commercial property is his area of expertise and one of the most disappointing areas of the last consultation was Donaldson's lack of understanding over the Todmorden property market.

Proposed: Alan Seconded: Malcolm

Jenny – The whole project will now be slightly different taking in the Healds Building, Tipside and the Market Hall, the Town Hall will be a project in its own right.

Clare – It is wonderful we have been listened to.

Jenny – We need to achieve results. There is an element of

	consultation still to carried out, but the inclination is to go with the District Valuer as part of the bidding process.	
87/01/08	McCarthy & Stone	
	A presentation was made to the group with the new plans for the McCarthy & Stone project on the site of the old Todmorden Health Centre.	
	The question of 106 monies was raised.	
	Clare – Propose an invitation to attend a Todmorden Pride is sent to Kirsten England.	
88/01/08	Patmos Update	
	David advised the Board that work on Patmos was to commence shortly. The Todmorden RTF funds had been transferred and are to be used to upgrade the scheme.	
	Todmorden Together and Todmorden Pride are putting together a bid to Todmorden Town Council for some planters and benches.	
89/01/08	Todmorden Town Council Joint Meeting	
	Anne – Reported that the informal meeting had been successful with the understanding that better relationships between Todmorden Pride and Todmorden Town Council could be built. Everyone at the meeting was quite frank and everybody made contacts.	
	Clare – Is there is a need for a more formal proposition with a clear agenda and a lot more clarity?	
	Margaretta – Propose another joint meeting with some progress updates on UCVR and Todmorden Pride Projects.	
	Clare – Thanked everyone for attending the meeting.	
90/01/08	Date and Time of Next Meeting	
	Thursday 21 st February 200818:30 Old Hall, Todmorden	