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#### MINUTES OF RESEARCH STEERING GROUP MEETING 12.6.95

Present: Ian Haywood, Brian McCarthy, Noel Clarke, Rory O'Hara, Melanie Charalambous and Eileen Devenney.

- 1. Apologies: Kathleen Egan, Jim Glackin and Mary Hickman.
- 2. Questionnaire for young people , final draft. Haywood Assts. have done a pilot run on it. A few questions recorded no response and these will be reviewed:
- Q.9 Educational question: 11 categories seems too many. Agreed to change to education and training. Need to check Irish NVQs. Junior/Intermediate, Leaving Certificate, Regional/Technical College Certificate, University. Noel to liaise with Eileen on this.
- Q.5 Ethnicity/nationality: changed to simply nationality at present. Additional question  $\underline{\text{agreed}}$ , 'how do you define your ethnic origin'.
- Q.15 Deleted the question about how long they intended to be in London.
- Q.20-22 Simply ask respondents 'which is the main one' (reemployment advice).
- Q.32 (a) How often have they moved since living in London.
- Q.34 Borough people currently living in, people often don't know which borough they are living in. So intend to ask an additional question 'do you want to live in North, South, East or West London'.
- 3. Eileen to send Ian statistics on An TEach's tenants housing history.
- 4. Suggested sources of young Irish interviewees, in terms of advice centres need to broaden the geographical spread.
- 5. Send out copies of each draft of the HA/LA and agency questionnaires for feedback on these. Eileen to do this.
- 6.DONM July 12th 6.30pm at An Teach office.

# IRISH YOUTH HOMELESSNESS IN LONDON ADVICE AGENCY PROFILE

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The purpose of this pro-forma is to provide a means of building up a profile of advice agencies and their experience of dealing with Irish homelessness problems

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

1 Name of agency: Address:

Contact:

Phone No:

- 2 Main function:
- 3 Sources of funding and amounts over last year:
- Where do clients come from:
  Direct inquiry
  Housing associations
  Local authorities
  Other agencies
- 5 How many are seen a year
- What are the main services required:

#### **IRISH ISSUES**

- 7 Do you keep records of ethnic origin of applicants for help:
- 8 What proportion of clients are Irish:
- What is main services demand from Irish:
  mental health care
  physical health care
  drug counselling
  alcohol counselling
  HIV/AIDS counselling
  training advice
  job seeking advice
  housing advice
  benefits advice

- 10 Are demands increasing and by how much:
- Profile of Irish clients:
  average age men
  average age women
  men
  women
  level of education
  special needs
- 12 Numbers of Irish people requesting help:

1980-90

1990-95

1995

Future trends

On average how long have Irish clients been in London:

up to one year

up to five years

up to tent years

permanent

- 14 Where do they come from:
- 15 Where do they go:

stay in London

back to Ireland

other parts of UK

abroad

16 Do you give any special priority to different Irish groups:

young single Irish men

young single Irish women

married couples

elderly

special needs

mental health

physical health

drug abuse

alcohol abuse

HIV/AIDS

17 Percentage of inquirers with health problems:

mental health

physical health

drug abuse

alcohol abuse

HIV/AIDS

| 18 | Do young Irish have special health problems: mental health physical health drug abuse alcohol abuse HIV/AIDS        |  |  |  |  |  |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 19 | Are young Irish well informed about rights to the following: Housing Employment Education Benefits Medical services |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | Do young Irish have special housing needs:                                                                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | Are there comparisons to be made with other ethnic groups:                                                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22 | What are special characteristics of Irish:                                                                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23 | Should Irish be treated as special group:                                                                           |  |  |  |  |  |

- 24 Do Irish suffer from discrimination in:
  finding housing
  getting employment
  in employment
  access to education
  obtaining benefit rights
  obtaining medical treatment
  treatment by police
- Should housing policies aim at concentration of housing provision in traditional Irish areas:
- How can access to housing be improved for the young Irish in London: short term long term
- 27 Are you aware of Irish Housing associations
- 28 Do Irish housing associations provide adequate service:

# IRISH YOUTH HOMELESSNESS IN LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITY PROFILE

The purpose of this pro-form is to provide a means of building up a profile of local authorities and their housing policies through data collection and a structured interview

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

| 1 | Name of local authority: |
|---|--------------------------|
|   | Address:                 |

Contact:

Phone No:

- 2 Annual capital expenditure on housing:
- 3 Sources of funding and amounts over last year:

Own funds

Housing Corporation:

Private:

other:

- 4 Numbers of units owned:
- 5 Type of housing owned:

Self contained shared hostel

Short term
Longer term
Move on accommodation
Special needs

6 Numbers of units managed:

By LA:

Housing associations:

Other:

- 7 Total number of people housed in last 12 months:
- 8 How long is waiting list:
- 9 Number of social housing units provided in last 12 months:

LA

Section 106

- What sector/organisations do housing applications come from:
  Direct inquiry
  Housing association
  Other agencies
- 11 What are your housing priorities:
- 12 Is benefit capped

#### **IRISH ISSUES**

- Do you keep records of ethnic origin of: Housing applicants:
  Housing tenants:
- 14 What proportion of clients are Irish:
- 15 What is main housing demand from Irish:

Self contained

shared hostel

Short term Longer term Move on accommodation Special needs

16 Estimates of annual Irish housing demand:

Self contained

shared hostel

Short term Longer term Move on accommodation Special needs

17 Estimates of annual Irish housing supply:

Self contained

shared hostel

Short term Longer term Move on accommodation Special needs

Profile of Irish clients:
average age men
average age women
% men
% women
level of education
% special needs

Numbers of Irish people previously housed:
1980-90
1990-95
1995
Future trends

20 Length of stay of Irish tenants: up to one year up to five years up to tent years permanent

- 21 Why do Irish tenants leave:
- 22 Where do tenants move to:
  other accommodation in London
  back to Ireland
  other parts of UK
  abroad
- Do you give any special priority to different Irish groups:
  young single Irish men
  young single Irish women
  married couples
  elderly
  special needs
  mental health
  physical health
  drug abuse
  alcohol abuse
  HIV/AIDS
- Percentage of all tenants with health problems:
  mental health
  physical health
  drug abuse
  alcohol abuse
  HIV/AIDS
- Percentage of young Irish tenants with health problems: mental health physical health drug abuse alcohol abuse HIV/AIDS

- Are young Irish well informed about rights to the following:
  Housing
  Employment
  Education
  Benefits
  Medical services
- 27 Support services the young Irish require:
  mental health care
  physical health care
  drug counsellling
  alcohol counselling
  HIV/AIDS counselling
  training advice
  job seeking advice
  housing advice
  benefits advice
- 28 Do young Irish have special housing needs:
- 29 Are there comparisons to be made with other ethnic groups:
- 30 What are special characteristics of Irish:
- 31 Should Irish be treated as special group:
- Do Irish suffer from discrimination in:
  finding housing
  getting employment
  in employment
  access to education
  obtaining benefit rights
  obtaining medical treatment
  treatment by police
- Should housing policies aim at concentration of housing provision in traditional Irish areas:
- How can access to housing be improved for the young Irish in London: short term long term
- 35 Are you aware of Irish Housing associations
- 36 Do Irish housing associations provide adequate service:

# IRISH YOUTH HOMELESSNESS IN LONDON HOUSING ASSSOCIATION PROFILE

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The purpose of this pro-forma is to provide a means of building up a profile of housing associations through data collection and a structured interview

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

| 1 | Name | of | housing | association: |
|---|------|----|---------|--------------|
|---|------|----|---------|--------------|

Address:

Contact:

Phone No:

2 Number of staff employed:

Professional:

Administrative:

- 3 Registered with Housing Corporation:
- 4 Annual capital expenditure on housing:
- 5 Sources of funding and amounts over last year:

Housing Corporation:

Private:

other:

- 6 Numbers of units owned:
- 7 Numbers of units managed:

Own stock:

Other association's stock:

Private stock:

8 Total number of people housed by type of housing:

Self contained

shared hostel

Short term Longer term Move on accommodation Special needs

9 Total number of people housed in last 12 months:

| 9                                                          | Self contained | shared | hostel |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| Short term Longer term Move on accommodation Special needs |                |        |        |  |  |  |  |
| How long is your waiting list:                             |                |        |        |  |  |  |  |
| How is priority established                                | i:             |        |        |  |  |  |  |

- 11
- 12 What sector/organisations do you get referrals from: direct inquiry Local authority Other housing association Other agencies
- 13 How do you determine level of rents:
- 14 What proportion of tenants pay rent from: wages/salary: housing benefit:

#### IRISH ISSUES

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- 15 What proportion of clients are Irish:
- 16 Where are Irish currently housed:

Self contained shared hostel

Short term Longer term Move on accommodation Special needs

17 Estimates of annual Irish housing demand:

> shared hostel Self contained

Short term Longer term Move on accommodation Special needs

18 Estimates of annual Irish housing supply: Short term Longer term Move on accommodation Special needs

Profile of Irish clients:
average age men
average age women
% men
% women
level of education
% special needs

### 20 Numbers of Irish people previously housed:

1980-90 1990-95 1995

Future trends

#### 21 Length of stay of Irish tenants:

up to one year up to five years up to tent years permanent

## Why do Irish tenants leave:

# Where do tenants move to: other accommodation in London back to Ireland other parts of UK abroad

#### What rank of importance do you give to different Irish groups:

young single Irish men
young single Irish women
married couples
elderly
special needs
mental health
physical health
drug abuse
alcohol abuse
HIV/AIDS

## 25 Percentage of all tenants with health problems:

mental health physical health drug abuse alcohol abuse HIV/AIDS

Percentage of young Irish tenants with health problems: mental health physical health drug abuse alcohol abuse HIV/AIDS

27 Are young Irish well informed about rights to the following:
Housing
Employment
Education
Benefits
Medical services

Support services the young Irish require:
mental health care
physical health care
drug counsellling
alcohol counselling
HIV/AIDS counselling
training advice
job seeking advice
housing advice
benefits advice

- 29 Do young Irish have special housing needs:
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- 31 What are special characteristics of Irish:
- 32 Should Irish be treated as special group:
- Do Irish suffer from discrimination in:
  finding housing
  getting employment
  in employment
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  obtaining benefit rights
  obtaining medical treatment
  treatment by police

- 34 Should housing policies aim at concentration of housing provision in traditional Irish areas:
- How can access to housing be improved for the young Irish in London: short term long term

## FOR NON IRISH HOUSING ASSOCIATIONS

- 36 Are you aware of Irish Housing associations
- 37 Do Irish housing associations provide adequate service: