 

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 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' (re. employment 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'.

1. Eileen to send Ian statistics on An TEach's tenants housing history.
2. Suggested sources of young Irish interviewees, in terms of advice centres need to broaden the geographical spread.
3. Send out copies of each draft of the HA/LA and agency questionnaires for feedback on these. Eileen to do this.
4. DONM July 12th 6.30pm at An Teach office.

**IRISH YOUTH HOMELESSNESS IN LONDON** DRAFT

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**ADVICE AGENCY PROFILE**

The purpose o-f 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:

* 1. Main function:
  2. Sources of funding and amounts over last year:
  3. Where do clients come from: Direct inquiry

Housing associations Local authorities Other agencies

* 1. How many are seen a year
  2. What are the main services required:

**IRISH** ISSUES

* 1. Do you keep records of ethnic origin of applicants for help:
  2. What proportion of clients are Irish:
  3. 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

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* 1. Are demands increasing and by how much:
  2. Profile of Irish clients: average age men average age women

% men

% women

level of education

% special needs

* 1. Numbers of Irish people requesting help: 1980-90

1990-95

1995

Future trends

* 1. On average how long have Irish clients been in London: up to one year

up to five years up to tent years permanent

* 1. Where do they come from:
  2. Where do they go: stay in London back to Ireland other parts of UK abroad
  3. 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

* 1. Percentage of inquirers with health problems: mental health

physical health drug abuse alcohol abuse HIV/AIDS

* 1. Do young Irish have special health problems: mental health

physical health drug abuse alcohol abuse HIV/AIDS

* 1. Are young 'Irish well informed about rights to the following: Housing

Employment Education Benefits

Medical services

* 1. Do young Irish have special housing needs:
  2. Are there comparisons to be made with other ethnic groups:
  3. What are special characteristics of Irish:
  4. Should Irish be treated as special group:

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Do Irish suffer from discrimination in: finding housing

getting employment in employment access to education

obtaining benefit rights obtaining medical treatment treatment by police

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

long term

1. Are you aware of Irish Housing associations
2. Do Irish housing associations provide adequate service:

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## 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:

1. Annual capital expenditure on housing:
2. 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  Short term Longer term  Move on accommodation | shared | hostel |
|  | Special needs |  |  |
| 6 | Numbers of units managed: |  |  |

By LA:

Housing associations: Other:

1. Total number of people housed in last 12 months:
2. How long is waiting list:
3. Number of social housing units provided in last 12 months: · LA

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1. What sector/organisations do housing applications come from: Direct inquiry

Housing association Other agencies

1. What are your housing priorities:
2. Is benefit capped

**IRISH ISSUES**

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| 13 | 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 |  |  |
| **18** | Profile of Irish clients: |  |  |
|  | average age men |  |  |
|  | average age women |  |  |
|  | % men |  |  |
|  | % women  level of education |  |  |
|  | % special needs |  |  |

* 1. Numbers of Irish people previously housed:

## 1980-90

1990-95

1995

Future trends

* 1. Length of stay of Irish tenants: up to one year

up to five years up to tent years permanent

* 1. Why do Irish tenants leave:
  2. Where do tenants move to: other accommodation in London back to Ireland

other parts of UK abroad

* 1. 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

* 1. Percentage of all tenants with health problems: mental health

physical health drug abuse alcohol abuse HIV/AIDS

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physical health drug abuse alcohol abuse HIV/AIDS

* 1. Are young Irish well informed about rights to the following: Housing·

Employment Education

Benefits

Medical services

* 1. 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

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**HOUSING ASSSOCIATION PROFILE**

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:

* + 1. Number of staff employed:

Professional:

Administrative:

* + 1. Registered with Housing Corporation:
    2. Annual capital expenditure on housing:
    3. Sources of funding and amounts over last year: Housing Corporation:

Private: other:

* + 1. Numbers of units owned:
    2. Numbers of units managed:

Own stock:

Other association's stock: Private stock:

* + 1. Total number of people housed by type of housing:

Self contained shared hostel

Short term Longer term

Move on accommodation Special needs

* + 1. Total number of people housed in last 12 months:

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Self contained shared hostel

Short term Longer term -

Move on accommodation Special needs

* + 1. How long is your waiting list:
    2. How is priority established:
    3. What sector/organisations do you get referrals from: direct inquiry

Local authority

Other housing association Other agencies

* + 1. How do you determine level of rents:
    2. What proportion of tenants pay rent from: wages/salary:

housing benefit:

**IRISH ISSUES**

* + 1. What proportion of clients are Irish:
    2. Where are Irish currently housed:

Short term Longe r term

Move on accommodation Special needs

Self contained

shared hostel

* + 1. Estimates of annual Irish housing demand:

Short term Longer term

Move on accommodation Special needs

Self contained

shared hostel

* + 1. Estimates of annual Irish housing supply:

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Self contained shared hostel

Short term Longer term

Move on accommodation Special Needs

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other parts of UK

abroad

* + 1. 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

* + 1. Percentage of all tenants with health problems:

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mental health physicc1i health drug abuse alcohol abuse HIV/AIDS

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**FOR NON IRISH** **HOUSING ASSOCIATIONS**

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