NORTH EAST REGIONAL REVIEW OF HEALTH NEEDS OF THE EX-SERVICE COMMUNITY

EXTRACTS FORM THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT RELATE TO HOUSING MATTERS

Recommendation 8: that local authorities across the North East request the NE National Housing Federation to carry out a mapping exercise to quantify current provision of ex - service community housing provided by their members and analyse best practice both nationally and within the North East.	Local authorities NE National Housing Federation	NE CEx agreed – That Gateshead act as lead LA working the National Housing Federation and Homes and Communities Agency to progress the Joint Committees housing related recommendations
Recommendation 9: that the North East Housing Federation works closely with NE local authorities to help plan future provision.	North East Housing Federation Local authorities	NE CEx agreed – That Gateshead act as lead LA working the National Housing Federation and Homes and Communities Agency to progress the Joint Committees housing related recommendations

Recommendation 17: that the North East National Housing Federation is requested on behalf of local authorities across the region to carry out work with Registered Social Landlords to raise awareness of the housing needs of the ex-service community.	North East National Housing Federation Local authorities	Sub-regionally needs will be identified through Compass ,our Choice Based Lettings system. Darlington also has a Key Point of Access for all Homeless issues accessed via First Stop or Customer Services. NE CEx agreed – That Gateshead act as lead LA working the National Housing Federation and Homes and Communities Agency to progress the Joint Committees housing related recommendations
<u>Recommendation 24:</u> that the Homes and Communities Agency is requested on behalf of local authorities across the region to consider how it may broker assistance and ensure better co- ordination of work across the region to ensure that services are being directed at the right people, including the ex-service community, and how it might assist with sharing examples of best practice as part of its enabling role and within the local investment planning process undertaken with local authorities.	Homes and Communities Agency Local authorities	NE CEx agreed – That Gateshead act as lead LA working the National Housing Federation and Homes and Communities Agency to progress the Joint Committees housing related recommendations

Recommendation 32: local authorities should encourage Strategic Housing Authorities and registered social landlords, where possible, to adopt allocation policies which recognise the needs of the ex-service community.	Local authorities Registered social landlords	Hazel Neasham Our sub-regional Choice Based Lettings system addresses this NE CEx agreed – That Gateshead act as lead LA working the National Housing Federation and Homes and Communities Agency to progress the Joint Committees housing related recommendations
<u>Recommendation 33:</u> that the Homes and Communities Agency is requested to examine on behalf of local authorities across the region identifying take-up of low-cost housing products by the ex- service community and whether providers are assisting the ex- service community as well as other parts of the community.	Homes and Communities Agency Local authorities	Hazel Neasham I have had no approach from the HCA . not sure if you or Alan get a report on the personal circumstances of those taking up low cost housing products ,I have never been aware of one NE CEx agreed – That Gateshead act as lead LA working the National Housing Federation and Homes and Communities Agency to progress the Joint Committees housing related recommendations
<u>Recommendation 35:</u> that local authorities across the region examine the scope to provide housing related support for ex - service tenants once a property has been identified.	Local authorities	Pauline Mitchell This would be picked up as part of the KPA assessment