

Midlands Diversity Group

Date of meeting	Monday 17 th September 2018 2.30pm – 4.30pm
Location	Paragon Asra Housing Group 3 Bede Island Road Leicester. LE2 7EA

Agenda			
No.	Description	Time (mins)	
1.	Introductions, apologies & housekeeping		
2.	ToR and Chairing for MDG (compare the LDG ToR)	20	
3.	Open forum requests and notice of events	20	
4.	Proposed Agenda items	60	
	11 items were submitted – see below. They have been organised into generic items followed by specific ones.		
	Individuals who suggested items will be asked to give some context which will lead to discussion and/or actions.		
	In this meeting we may have time to cover a few items. We will consider how to proceed with remaining and new items.		
5.	HDN update	10	
6.	АОВ	10	
8.	Date of next meeting		

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Raj Patel will Chair this meeting. If you require travel information please contact Carla Olfin at HDN.

3. Proposed Agenda Items

3.1 Current EDI priorities:

For example, for Walsall HG:

- CIH 10 by 2020 Challenge
- Integrated Communities Walsall is one of the five pilot areas
- Know Your Customer (KYC) the effective use of customer and housing applicant diversity data

3.2 EDI strategy - sharing learning and ideas for process reviewing and then re-launching diversity strategies:

For example, EMH Group's Kaleidoscope Strategy so would be very interested in learning and the ideas generated from this group.

3.3 EDI into organisational culture:

- interested to hear about HDN mentoring scheme, how organisational change an opportunity to re-introduce some of key EDI organisational culture
- Inclusive leadership at board, committees and senior leadership levels

3.4 Merging and transition – opportunities and challenges for EDI

Fortis will be merging with Waterloo Housing in October, good to get views & updates from other HAs.

3.5 Assessing, montoring and using EDI information of individuals and projects

- Experience of collecting data of staff, board, residents, applicants
- GDPR the collection and storage of sensitive diversity data
- Equality impact assessments

3.6 Housing Diversity Manifesto - sector-wide call to action (EDI Conference 2nd Oct and onwards)

3.7 Hate crime:

How HA's can support other partners in challenging hate crime (recording & reporting it, partnership work to raise awareness, community cohesion projects preventing the rise of divisive narratives in local communities)

3.8 LGBT inclusion:

- especially around older tenants/customers
- improving Customer Satisfaction in the LGBT+ community

3.9 Cultural and religious awareness and implementation

3.10 Increasing BAME representation at management levels:

- Race pay gap reporting and action planning
- Good diversity management

3.11 Increasing female representation at management levels:

- Gender pay gap reporting and action planning