

YHN/CVS - BRANCH COMMITTEE REPORT 2nd JUNE 2014.

YHN

WRSR – Management state still on course for implementation date of 2nd June 2014.

NCC/YHN Options – John Lee and Pat Ritchie held a briefing session for all senior managers in YHN and NCC to discuss the future of YHN. Pat started the session by stating that there would need to be a formal review of the arrangement in 2016 anyway and it would be looking value for money on response to the current austerity programme. The review would hopefully provide certainty for the future for staff and tenants and would look to involve tenants too. Pat reiterated that YHN has a future – that NCC will not be transferring stock or bringing YHN back in-house. It was a joint review of overheads/management/support functions and would be a democratic overview of the HRA.

John confirmed that main areas in scope that joint working groups made up of NCC and YHN management would be – HRA, Customer Services, Community Engagement, Repairs and maintenance, Back office and enabling functions, Debt Management and Employment and Skills.

TWAM

Front of House -Still no info on proposed new rosters – still on-going. Staff have now received the results of the evaluations of the two new Front of House posts mentioned in previous reports. UNISON has consistently argued despite splitting the current Front of House role in to two different job descriptions that there is no need for salaries to be affected. However our concerns have now been realised as one of the posts has been graded from N4 to N3. TWAM staff are extremely angry at the outcome and consultation has now begun on potential further action.

CVS

Places for People – Organisation has been targeted as part of a national recruitment drive/organising project in Housing Associations – visits to take place in June by newly appointed Fighting Fund Organisers!

Derek Muse – Deputy Branch Secretary