

## Item 3i Partner Updates

Organisation	<b>Tor Homes</b>
Date	8 March 2010
Summary of Progress	<p>Ivybridge Library site (3 houses and 1 bungalow), recently completed.</p> <p>Culverdale Phase 1, Totnes (12 houses and 7 flats) on site, completion due by January 2011. Culverdale Phase 2 Totnes, (20 houses, 9 flats) planning submission March 2010</p> <p>The Devon Home Choice (the system by which potential residents of housing association properties can select a new home) went live on 24<sup>th</sup> February following the resolution of technical problems with the system.</p> <p>An under-occupation incentive scheme launched jointly for Keaton Road, Ivybridge to free up large family homes.</p> <p>Since September Tor Homes are part-funding welfare advice posts to attend every tenancy sign up of a new resident. This post is also CAB funded and works in the Housing Benefit service at SHDC, thus offering good liaison and prevention of arrears and homelessness.</p> <p>There has been some inter agency work to improve waste management on estates, in particular at Townstal, Dartmouth and at Parkers Way in Totnes, where a joint approach to problems has improved the problems of litter and inappropriate dumping of waste.</p> <p>Joint approaches to ASB in the area have enabled some long term problems to be tackled. Multi Agency partnerships have meant that the collection of evidence, the offer of support and any sanctions are handled in a joined up manner.</p>
Current / Shared Issues	<p>Discussions taking place between SHDC, DCC and Tor regarding the possible joint funding of an Occupational Therapist post as a solution to speeding up assessments for Disabled Facilities Grants. The three organisations are also working on performance information sharing.</p>
SHSP Action Recommended	<p>Support joint funding arrangements for OT post and sharing of performance info.</p>