

What is the Transfer Options Development Group and who is on it?

The Transfer Options Development Group is overseeing the transfer process. They are here to make sure that everything is done properly and with tenants' interests uppermost. Their job is to:

- Inform and involve tenants at every stage
- Ensure that what is on offer meets tenants' wishes
- Select a Housing Association partner
- Make sure a housing association partner can deliver what is on offer
- Provide all the facts tenants need when voting to decide on who manages their homes

Six of the twelve members of the Transfer Options Development Group are tenants. There are currently five appointed and one vacancy. They are:

- Ron Butcher
- Tony Coleman
- Colin Greenwood
- Jean Key
- Carole Matthews

What is the Partner Selection Panel and who is on it?

The Transfer Options Development Group has set up a sub-group called the 'Partner Selection Panel' that has started the search for a preferred housing association partner to which the Fenland homes would be transferred. There are six members of whom two are tenants.

How will the Council choose the Housing Association to which your homes may transfer?

Following the placing of advertisements, a 'bidders conference' was held on 27th January 2006 at which tenants' representatives, Councillors and Council officers explained to housing associations what Fenland is looking for from the transfer. This includes improvements to homes and neighbourhoods, enhanced tenant participation and a genuine partnership between the Housing Association and its tenants. Interested housing associations submitted expressions of interest during February 2006 and the Partner Selection Panel has now short listed three associations that have been requested to provide additional information. These are:

- Circle Anglia
- Hereward
- Nene