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* Reporting to Cabinet

25 February 2022

Dear Councillor

You are requested to attend a meeting of the WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL CABINET HOUSING PANEL to be held on Monday 7 March 2022 at 7.30 pm via Zoom.

Yours faithfully

Governance Services Manager

AGENDA PART1

1. SUBSTITUTIONS

To note any substitution of Panel Members in accordance with Council Procedure Rules.

2. APOLOGIES

3. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2022 (previously circulated).

4. <u>NOTIFICATION OF URGENT BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER ITEM 13</u>

5. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

To note declarations of Members' disclosable pecuniary interests, non-disclosable pecuniary interests and non-pecuniary interests in respect of items on this Agenda.

6. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND PETITIONS

Up to thirty minutes will be made available for questions from members of the public on issues relating to the work of the Committee and to receive any petitions.

7. <u>TENANCY STRATEGY REPORT</u> (Pages 5 - 12)

A report of the Head of Community and Housing Strategy on reviewing the Council's tenancy strategy, secure tenancies and the use of flexible tenancies.

8. RESPONSIVE REPAIRS POLICY REPORT (Pages 13 - 24)

Report of the Chief Executive on the responsive repairs policy.

9. BANNING ORDER POLICY REPORT (Pages 25 - 34)

Report of the Head of Community and Housing Strategy on the adoption of the new banning order policy for private sector landlords.

10. ELECTRICAL SAFETY POLICY REPORT (Pages 35 - 44)

Report of the Head of Community and Housing Strategy on the adoption of the new electrical safety policy.

11. PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR HOUSING QUARTER 3 2021/22 (Pages 45 - 48)

A performance report of the Head of Housing Operations on housing Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for the period Quarter Three 2021/22.

12. HOUSING COMPLIANCE UPDATE (Pages 49 - 52)

An update on the Housing Compliance position and the improvement plan.

13. <u>INDEPENDENT COMPLIANCE REVIEW</u> (Pages 53 - 94)

Report of the Chief Executive on the Independent Compliance Review

14. <u>SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIRMAN, IS OF</u> SUFFICIENT URGENCY TO WARRANT IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION

15. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Panel is asked to resolve:

That under Section 100(A)(2) and (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be now excluded from the meeting for item 16 (if any) on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of confidential or exempt information as defined

in Section 100A(3) and Paragraph 4 (consultations or negotiations relating to labour relations) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act (as amended).

In resolving to exclude the public in respect of the exempt information, it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

PART II

16. <u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN EXEMPT NATURE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN</u>

<u>Circulation:</u> Councillors J.Cragg (Chairman) T.Jackson-Mynott

F.Thomson (Vice-Chairman)

M.Birleson

L.Chesterman

A.Dennis

R.Lass

H.Quenet

P.Smith

R.Trigg

A.Hellyer

Co-opted Members:-

Tenants' Panel Representatives

Chris Andrews Betty Robbins

Independent Representatives

R.Paris

Corporate Management Team
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