



WELWYN HATFIELD

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Please ask for:
Marie Lowe

* Reporting to Cabinet

8 September 2017

Dear Councillor

You are requested to attend a meeting of the WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL CABINET HOUSING PANEL to be held on Monday 18 September 2017 at 7.30pm in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL8 6AE.

Yours faithfully

Executive Director
Public Protection, Planning and Governance

AGENDA PART 1

1. SUBSTITUTIONS

To note any substitution of Committee Members in accordance with Council Procedure Rules 19 – 22.

2. APOLOGIES

3. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 August 2017 (previously circulated).

4. ACTIONS UPDATE (Pages 5 - 6)

Report of the Executive Director (Public Protection, Planning and Governance) which lists the actions from previous meetings and their current status.

5. NOTIFICATION OF URGENT BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER ITEM 12

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

7. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND PETITIONS

Up to fifteen 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.

8. REPAIRS PRESENTATION

Short presentation by Mears and TSG to brief members on their work with the council and measures in place to ensure service delivery.

9. FIRE SAFETY UPDATE

A verbal update by the Head of Property Services on works being undertaken at Queensway House.

10. REVIEW OF THE HOUSING ALLOCATIONS POLICY (HAP) (Pages 7 - 20)

Report of the Executive Director (Housing and Communities) setting out the proposed changes to the Council's Housing Allocations Policy (HAP) following consultation.

11. WORK PROGRAMME 2017/18 (Pages 21 - 24)

The pro-forma which sets out the Panel's work programme has been updated since the last meeting to enable forward planning of items to be considered to take place.

12. SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIRMAN, IS OF SUFFICIENT URGENCY TO WARRANT IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION

13. 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 items 14 and 15 (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

14. HOUSING OPERATIONS CUSTOMER FIRST TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME - UPDATE

A verbal update from the Head of Housing Operations on the Customer First Transformation Programme.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN EXEMPT NATURE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Circulation: Councillors J.Boulton (Chairman) M.Holloway
M.Perkins (Vice-Chairman) K.Holman
M.Birleson S.Glick
M.Cook H.Quenet
J.Cragg F.Thomson

Co-opted Members:-
Tenants' Panel Representatives

R.Read and B.Robbins

Independent Representatives

R.Paris and S.Smith

Executive Board
Press and Public (except Part II Items)

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