



WELWYN HATFIELD

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Please ask for:
Marie Lowe

* Reporting to Cabinet

28 February 2019

Dear Councillor

You are requested to attend a meeting of the WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL CABINET HOUSING PANEL to be held on Monday 11 March 2019 at 7.30pm in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL8 6AE.

Yours faithfully

Corporate Director
Public Protection, Planning and Governance

AGENDA **PART 1**

1. **SUBSTITUTIONS**

To note any substitution of Panel 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 16 January 2019 (previously circulated).

4. **ACTIONS UPDATE** (Pages 5 - 6)

Report of the Corporate 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 15**

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. PRESENTATION ON THE ASSET APPRAISAL PROJECT AND UPDATE ON LAND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE BOROUGH

Presentation from Colin Farrell of FFT on the recent Asset Appraisal project and an update from the Head of Property Services on land opportunities identified through the Spot the Plot initiative.

9. AFFORDABLE HOUSING DELIVERY - REVIEW OF STRATEGIC APPROACH - UPDATE ON THE HOUSING COMPANY (PRESENTATION)

Presentation from the Corporate Director (Housing And Communities) on the Council's Affordable Housing Delivery, Review Of Strategic Approach and an update on the Housing Company.

10. PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR HOUSING PERIOD QUARTER THREE - 2018/19 (Pages 7 - 10)

Report of the Corporate Director (Housing and Communities) provides a summary of the strategic key performance indicators (KPIs), and comments about performance by exception for Quarter Three. The KPIs are monitored monthly by Heads of Service.

11. UPDATE ON HOUSING AWARDS SHORTLISTING IN THE CATEGORY OF EXCELLENCE IN TENANT COMMUNICATION AT THE 2019 TENANT PARTICIPATION ADVISORY SERVICE (TPAS) AWARDS

Following the Neighbourhood and Enforcement Team's nomination for a national award as finalists in the category of *Excellence In Tenant Communication* at the 2019 Tenant Participation Advisory Service (TPAS) awards an animated video, called '*Everything And All That*' illustrating the impact of engagement work for tenants and residents will be shown.

12. QUEENSWAY HOUSE UPDATE

The Head of Property Services will provide a brief verbal update on Queensway House.

13. ACCESSING THE PRIVATE RENTED SECTOR TO ALLEVIATE HOMELESSNESS (Pages 11 - 20)

Report of the Corporate Director (Housing and Communities) provides an update on the work being undertaken to access the private rented sector to alleviate homelessness in the Borough.

14. WORK PROGRAMME 2018/19 (Pages 21 - 22)

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.

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

16. 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 17 (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

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

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N.Pace (Vice-Chairman) T.Kingsbury
M.Birleson R.Lass
M.Cook H.Quenet
S.Glick F.Thomson
M.Holloway

Co-opted Members:-
Tenants' Panel Representatives

R.Read and B.Rhodes

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R.Paris

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