

Scrutiny Standing Panel Agenda



Housing Scrutiny Standing Panel Tuesday, 31st October, 2006

Place: Committee Room 1, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping

Time: 5.30 pm

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Members:

Councillors S Murray (Chairman), Mrs R Gadsby (Vice-Chairman), K Angold-Stephens, D Bateman, Mrs P Brooks, Councillor Mrs D Borton, Mrs H Harding, Mrs J Lea, G Mohindra, Mrs P Richardson, Mrs J H Whitehouse and J Wyatt

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (COUNCIL MINUTE 39 - 23.7.02)

(Head of Research and Democratic Services) To report the appointment of any substitute members for the meeting.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

(Head of Research and Democratic Services). To declare interests in any items on the agenda.

In considering whether to declare a personal or a prejudicial interest under the Code of Conduct, Overview & Scrutiny members are asked pay particular attention to paragraph 11 of the Code in addition to the more familiar requirements.

This requires the declaration of a personal and prejudicial interest in any matter before an OS Committee which relates to a decision of or action by another Committee or Sub Committee of the Council, a Joint Committee or Joint Sub Committee in which the Council is involved and of which the Councillor is also a member.

Paragraph 11 does not refer to Cabinet decisions or attendance at an OS meeting purely for the purpose of answering questions or providing information on such a matter.

4. TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD ON 11 SEPTEMBER 2006 (Pages 3 - 6)

Attached

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE / WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 7 - 12)

(Chairman/Lead Officer) The Overview and Scrutiny Committee has agreed the Terms of Reference of this Panel and associated Work Programme. This is attached. The Panel are asked at each meeting to review both documents.

6. HOUSING ALLOCATION SCHEME (Pages 13 - 50)

(Head of Housing Services) To consider the attached Housing Allocation Scheme.

7. HOUSING SERVICES STRATEGY - EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY & EMPTY COUNCIL DWELLINGS (Pages 51 - 80)

(Head of Housing Services) to consider the attached report and strategies.

8. EPPING FOREST LOCAL SUPPORTING PEOPLE STRATEGY 2006-2010 - SIX-MONTH PROGRESS REPORT (OCTOBER 2006) (Pages 81 - 94)

(Head of Housing Services) To consider the attached report and strategy.

9. CHOICE BASED LETTINGS UPDATE

To receive a verbal update on the Choice Based Lettings Scheme from the Assistant Head of Housing.

10. REPORTS TO BE MADE TO THE NEXT MEETING OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

To consider which reports are ready to be submitted to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its next meeting.

11. FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meetings of the Housing Scrutiny Panel are:

30 January 2007, and
30 April 2007.