

Scrutiny Standing Panel Agenda



Housing Scrutiny Standing Panel Wednesday, 22nd January, 2014

You are invited to attend the next meeting of **Housing Scrutiny Standing Panel**, which will be held at:

**Committee Room 1, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping
on Wednesday, 22nd January, 2014
at 5.30 pm .**

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Members:

Councillors S Murray (Chairman), Ms G Shiell (Vice-Chairman), K Avey, K Chana, Mrs R Gadsby, Ms J Hart, Mrs S Jones, Mrs J Lea, L Leonard, B Rolfe, Mrs J H Whitehouse and W Marshall (Tenants and Leaseholders Federation)

SUBSTITUTE NOMINATION DEADLINE:

16:30

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. SUBSITUTE MEMBERS (COUNCIL MINUTE 39 - 23.7.02)

(Assistant to the Chief Executive) To report the appointment of any substitute members for the meeting.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

(Assistant to the Chief Executive). 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. NOTES OF THE LAST MEETING (Pages 5 - 34)

To agree the notes of the last Panel meeting held on 22 October 2013 (attached).

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE / WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 35 - 42)

(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. REVIEW OF THE GARDEN MAINTENANCE SCHEME FOR OLDER AND DISABLED TENANTS (Pages 43 - 48)

(Director of Housing) To consider the attached report.

7. BRIEFING ON THE PROPOSED COUNCIL RENT INCREASE FOR 2014/15 (Pages 49 - 54)

(Director of Housing) To consider the attached report and appendix.

8. PROPOSED HOUSING SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS AND SERVICE ENHANCEMENTS - 2014/15 (Pages 55 - 72)

(Director of Housing) To consider the attached report.

9. REVIEW OF PARKING ENFORCEMENT MEASURES ON HOUSING ESTATES (Pages 73 - 82)

(Director of Housing) To consider the attached report.

10. SHELTERED HOUSING AND OLDER PEOPLE'S HANDYPERSON SCHEMES - 1 YEAR REVIEW (Pages 83 - 98)

(Director of Housing) To consider the attached report.

11. SIX-MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT ON HOUSING STRATEGY ACTION PLAN 2013/14 (Pages 99 - 112)

(Director of Housing) To consider the attached report and appendix.

12. HOUSING DIRECTORATE'S SERVICE STRATEGY ON TENANT PARTICIPATION (Pages 113 - 140)

(Director of Housing) To consider the attached report.

13. HOUSING DIRECTORATE'S SERVICE STRATEGY ON INFORMATION (Pages

141 - 158)

(Director of Housing) To consider the attached report.

**14. PROGRESS REPORT ON THE WELFARE REFORM MITIGATION ACTION PLAN
(Pages 159 - 160)**

(Director of Housing) To consider the attached report.

**15. 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.

16. FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Panel is on Tuesday 25 March 2014 at 5.30p.m. in Committee Room 1.