



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND SOCIAL HOUSING SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON 12th OCTOBER 2022

PRESENT: Councillor A Farrell (Chair), Councillors M Cook, S Peuple, S Doyle and D Maycock

The following officers were present: Tina Mustafa (Assistant Director Neighbourhoods) and Paul Weston (Assistant Director Assets) and Tracey Pointon (legal Admin and Democratic Services Manager)

7 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors T Jay and P Turner.

Councillor S Doyle and Councillor D Maycock were in attendance as substitutes

8 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 15th June were approved as a correct record

(Moved by Councillor A Farrell and seconded by Councillor S Peuple)

9 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest

10 COUNCIL HOUSING - SOCIAL HOUSING REGULATION BILL AND PREPAREDNESS

Tina Mustafa - Assistant Director Neighbourhoods gave a presentation on the Social Housing White Paper and gave an update on the progress of the Self-Assessment.

Tina Mustafa introduced the Committee to Iris (Chair) and Sally (V Chair) of the Tenant Consultative Group. The committee welcomed Iris and Sally. TCG members were observing subject to the Monitoring Officer confirming how TCG members can engage with the Committee as part of the meeting.

Councillor Farrell thanked Sally and Iris for attending the meeting.

Councillor Farrell is attending the Corporate Scrutiny meeting on 17th November to discuss the Social Housing (regulation) Bill Preparedness.

Councillors sought clarity on the Rent Cap, what will this cause in lack of investment. Consultation closes 12th October 2022, and the Government will provide the outcome by the end of the year. If the Government does agree it will mean considerable loss of income.

Concerns were raised over the Green agenda if this rent cap is implemented.

11 COMMUNICATIONS WITH HOUSING LEASEHOLDERS

Verbal Update from Paul Weston Assistant Director Assets on the Communications with Housing Leaseholders. The communications and processes are being looked at by a working group and will be reported back to Corporate Scrutiny before going back to Council.

12 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider excluding the Press and Public from the meeting by passing the following resolution:-

“That in accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meeting and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, and Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act and the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information to the public”

At the time this agenda is published no representations have been received that this part of the meeting should be open to the public.

(Moved by Councillor A Farrell and seconded by Councillor S Peaple)

13 PRESENTATION ON PRICE PER PROPERTY FOR HOUSING REPAIRS

The Committee received a presentation from Equans the Repair provider for Tamworth Borough Council to present Price Per Property for Housing Repairs.

Leader

