

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

HOUSING AND NEIGHBOURHOODS OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 16 MARCH 2023 AT 14:00 HOURS
IN COMMITTEE ROOM 6, COUNCIL HOUSE, VICTORIA SQUARE,
BIRMINGHAM, B1 1BB

A G E N D A

1 NOTICE OF RECORDING/WEBCAST

The Chair to advise/meeting to note that this meeting will be webcast for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's meeting You Tube site (www.youtube.com/channel/UCT2kT7ZRPFCXq6_5dnVnYlw) and that members of the press/public may record and take photographs except where there are confidential or exempt items.

2 APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Members are reminded they must declare all relevant pecuniary and other registerable interests arising from any business to be discussed at this meeting.

If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared a Member must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless they have been granted a dispensation.

If other registerable interests are declared a Member may speak on the matter only if members of the public are allowed to speak at the meeting but otherwise must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless they have been granted a dispensation.

If it is a 'sensitive interest', Members do not have to disclose the nature of the interest, just that they have an interest.

Information on the Local Government Association's Model Councillor Code of Conduct is set out via <http://bit.ly/3WtGQnN>. This includes, at Appendix 1, an interests flowchart which provides a simple guide to declaring interests at meetings.

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4 **ACTION NOTES AND ACTION TRACKER**

To agree the action notes of the meeting held on 16 February 2023 and note the action tracker.

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5 **VOIDS - IMPROVING STANDARDS**

(A) Feedback from Members on recent visits to void properties.

(B) Presentation from City Housing.

Councillor Sharon Thompson, Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness, Paul Langford, Interim Strategic Director, City Housing, Natalie Smith, Head of Service, Housing Management, and Asha Patel, Repairs & Maintenance Project Lead, in attendance.

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6 **WORK PROGRAMME**

To agree the Committee's Work Programme.

7 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To note that the next meeting is scheduled to be held at 1400 hours on Thursday 13 April 2023.

8 **REQUEST(S) FOR CALL IN/COUNCILLOR CALL FOR ACTION/PETITIONS RECEIVED (IF ANY)**

To consider any request for call in/councillor call for action/petitions (if received).

9 **OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any items of business by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) that in the opinion of the Chair are matters of urgency.

10 **AUTHORITY TO CHAIR AND OFFICERS**

Chair to move:-

'In an urgent situation between meetings, the Chair jointly with the relevant Chief Officer has authority to act on behalf of the Committee'.