



Housing and Homes O&S Committee: Work Programme 2017/18

Chair: Councillor Victoria Quinn

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1 Meeting Schedule

Date	Item	Officer Contact / Attendees
20 June 2017	Informal Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Work Programme DiscussionBriefing on Housing Strategy	Emma Williamson/Jayne Power Rob James/Mike Walsh
25 July 2017	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homes <ul style="list-style-type: none">To set out key priorities, including key performance indicators	Marcia Wynter, Cabinet Support Officer
	Responding to Housing Need and Demand	Mike Walsh
	Waste Update	Jacqui Kennedy
20 September 2017	Selective Licensing	Pete Hobbs
	Tenant Engagement	Tracey Radford
	Waste Update	Jacqui Kennedy
17 October 2017	Housing Revenue Account	Rob James/Sukvinder Kalsi
	Allocations Update	Mike Walsh
	Homelessness Update	John Hardy
14 November 2017	Affordable and Social Housing	Waheed Nazir/Ian MacLeod/Uyen-Phan Han
12 December 2017	Tracking: Rough Sleeping & Prevention	Kalvinder Kohli/Marcia Wynter, Cabinet Support Officer
	The Impact of Universal Credit	Chris Gibbs/Tim Savill



23 January 2018 Deadline for reports: 12 Jan	Repairs and Maintenance Contracts	Rob James/John Jamieson
	Waste Update	Jacqui Kennedy/Darren Share
20 February 2018 Deadline for reports: 9 Feb	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide an update on key priorities 	Marcia Wynter, Cabinet Support Officer
	Homelessness Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of Homelessness Reduction Act Progress Report: Rough Sleeping & Prevention 	Rob James/Jim Crawshaw
	Investment in Refurbishment of Existing Council Homes	Rob James/Martin Tolley
28 March 2018 Deadline for reports: 19 March	<i>Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Equality</i>	<i>Marcia Wynter, Cabinet Support Officer</i>
	<i>Annual Report of the Community Safety Partnership (a statutory responsibility)</i>	<i>Jacqui Kennedy, Corporate Director, Place</i>
	<i>Selective Licensing</i>	<i>Rob James/Pete Hobbs</i>
17 April 2018 Deadline for reports: 6 April		

2 Items to be programmed

- 2.1 Tenant Engagement Review
- 2.2 Neighbourhood Management/New Devolution Model
- 2.3 Waste – Street Cleansing/Collection – New Operating Model
- 2.4 Report of analysis of those not re-registered on the housing list (Housing Allocations)

3 Summary of Work Programme Discussion

- 3.1 Members of the committee met in June to discuss potential items for the work programme, and a summary is set out below. Following July's meeting (where the Cabinet Member will outline his priorities), a schedule will be agreed.
 1. **Responding to housing need and demand:** to get a better understanding of housing need and demand in Birmingham and then to identify areas of Housing Strategy based on that; likely to include
 - Homelessness
 - Alternative housing models



- Focusing on the local level (ie how ensure right housing in right areas)
- Links to HRA business plan
- Land use: prioritise surplus / use of poor quality / New Homes Bonus
- Strategic Tenancy Policy
- Young Persons Policy
- Supported housing

2. Neighbourhood Management and Tenant Engagement: to include matters arising following the Grenfell Tower tragedy to provide assurance on safety levels and the robustness of neighbourhood management

- What is the Council's overall responsibility; what is the scope of our due diligence and assessing where we might want higher standards (including the role of our contractors; Council Emergency response; how should future capital programmes be influenced?)
- Information for tenants and tenant routes to feed in issues to Council and be listened to;
- Neighbourhood management and links to work of Assistant Leaders.

4 Outstanding Tracking

Inquiry	Outstanding Recommendations
Working With Communities to Prevent Relationship Violence	R02 - That the City Council strengthens its leadership role for the city by reviewing the domestic violence strategy and enabling: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) coherent pathways for victims and children, across sectors, to access the support and protection they need;b) strengthening the engagement of schools and other educational establishments, including academies, committing to participating;c) integrated working between Birmingham Youth Services and Think Family Team and Children's Services and homelessness;d) youth service providers from both statutory and third sector involvement in the delivery of informal education programmes with young people.

5 Other Meetings

Call in Meetings

None scheduled

Petitions



None scheduled

Councillor Call for Action requests

None scheduled

It is suggested that the Committee approves Tuesday at 2.00pm as a suitable day and time each week for any additional meetings required to consider 'requests for call in' which may be lodged in respect of Executive decisions.

6 Forward Plan for Cabinet Decisions

The following decisions, extracted from the Cabinet Office Forward Plan of Decisions, are likely to be relevant to the Housing and Homes O&S Committee's remit.

Reference	Title	Portfolio	Proposed Date of Decision
004497/2018	Housing Rent, Service Charges and other Charges 2018-19	Housing and Homes	13 Feb 2018
004656/2018	Homeless Reduction Act	Housing and Homes	13 Feb 2018
004665/2018	Birmingham Council Housing Investment Programme 2018/19 to 2020/21	Housing and Homes	13 Feb 2018
003259/2017	Birmingham Domestic Abuse Prevention Strategy 2017-2020	Health and Social Care	13 Feb 2018
004666/2018	Driving Housing Growth – Land Appropriations Report	Housing and Homes	27 March 2018
001429/2016	Disposal of Surplus Properties	Leader	27 March 2018
004602/2018	Building Birmingham: Approval of BMHT Housing Development Programme for 2018-20	Housing and Homes	17 April 2018
003385/2017	BCC Energy Company – FBC	Clean Streets, Recycling and the Environment	24 July 2018