

# Cambridge City Council

## Housing Scrutiny Committee

**Date:** Tuesday, 19 January 2021

**Time:** 5.00 pm

**Venue:** This meeting will take place virtually via Microsoft Teams

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### Agenda

**First circulation agenda containing agenda item 8 (Housing Revenue Account Budget Setting Report) will be published 16.12.20 to facilitate the budget setting process. A second circulation of this agenda will be published 7.1.21 in accordance with the Council's usual publication procedures.**

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Declarations of Interest
- 3 Minutes (Pages 7 - 28)
- 4 Public Questions

#### **Part 1: To be chaired by Vice Chair (Tenant/Leaseholder Representative)**

##### **Decisions for the Executive Councillor for Housing**

- 5 Housing Ombudsman Self Assessment
- 6 Structural Repairs and Associated Works to Council-Owned Blocks of Flats
- 7 Estates & Facilities Service Review and Compliance Update
- 8 HRA Budget-Setting Report (BSR) 2021/22 (Pages 29 - 148)

#### **Part 2: To be taken by the Chair of the Committee**

##### **Decisions for the Executive Councillor for Housing**

- 9 Cambridgeshire Home Improvement Agency – Works Contract Procurement
- 10 Feasibility Study for the Implementation of Selective Licensing in the City of Cambridge - Publication and

## Actioning the Recommendations

- 11 Homelessness and Rough Sleeper Strategy 2021 – 2026
- 12 Homelessness Prevention Grants to Agencies
- 13 Update on the Work Towards a new Council Housing Programme
- 14 Proposed new Build Passivhaus Housing Schemes
- 15 Update on the Programme to Build new Council Homes Funded Through the Combined Authority

**Housing Scrutiny Committee Members:** Todd-Jones (Chair), Bird (Vice-Chair), Hadley, McGerty, Martinelli, Porrer, Robertson and Sheil

**Alternates:** Barnett, McQueen and Page-Croft

**Tenants and Leaseholders:** Lulu Agate (Tenant Representative), Christabella Amiteye (Tenant Representative), Diane Best (Leaseholder Representative), Mandy Powell-Hardy (Tenant Representative), Diana Minns (Tenant Representative) and Colin Stevens (Tenant Representative)

**Executive Councillors:** Johnson (Executive Councillor for Housing)

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## Housing Scrutiny Committee

### Terms of Reference

**A.** Overview and scrutiny of the strategic and other housing functions for which the Executive Councillor for Housing is responsible, including responsibility for the development of housing strategies and policies, tackling homelessness, the Council's housing responsibilities with regard to the private rented sector, bringing vacant homes back into use, the development of new homes and partnership working with other housing providers.

**B.** Overview and scrutiny of functions relating to the management of the Council's housing stock.

**C.** To be the main discussion forum between the Council, its tenants and its leaseholders for all matters relating to the landlord function of Cambridge City Council.

### Membership

City Councillors (Such number as shall be decided by the Council from time to time)

Six elected tenants and leaseholders of Cambridge City Council of whom at least five shall be tenants of Cambridge City Council.

### Appointment of tenant and leaseholder members

Tenant and leaseholder members shall be co-opted by the Scrutiny Committee following the procedure for election set out in the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 4E.

### Voting

Tenant and leaseholder members are voting members in respect of matters concerning the management of the Council's housing stock (Part 1 of the agenda.) Tenant and leaseholder members may contribute to discussion of other matters (Part 2 of the agenda) but shall not have a vote.

### Appointment of Chair

The Chair of the Scrutiny Committee shall be appointed by the Council and be a councillor and shall chair Part 2. The Vice-chair shall be nominated by the elected tenants and leaseholders and shall chair Part 1 if present. If the Chair or Vice-chair is not present, a councillor shall be appointed as the Vice-chair for that meeting.

**Other matters relating to elected tenants and leaseholders**

These are set out in the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 4E. They include information about the roles, responsibilities and training of tenant and leaseholder representatives, expenses and allowances, and the circumstances in which they may cease to be members of the Committee.