



Leicester
City Council

MINUTES EXTRACT

Minutes of the Meeting of the HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Held: THURSDAY, 12 DECEMBER 2002 at 5.30pm

P R E S E N T :

Councillor Walker - Chair
Councillor Nasim - Labour Spokesperson

Councillor Kamal
Councillor Subedar

Councillor Nurse
Councillor Taylor

Also in Attendance

Christine Cronogue - Leicester Federation of Tenants' Associations

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74. DRAFT REVENUE STRATEGY FOR THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT

The Corporate Director of Housing and the Chief Finance Officer submitted a joint report seeking Members' views on the draft revenue strategies for the Housing Department.

The report explained that Members were being asked :-

- a) whether they endorsed the draft strategy as the best way forward in the context of the approved strategic framework ;
- b) whether they had any alternative proposals they wished the Cabinet to consider.

Members were advised that Government guidance for a proposed rent rise was £2.94%, although the Council had discretion to opt for a lower or higher increase.

RESOLVED :

- 1) that the information be noted ; and
- 2) that Cabinet be informed that the Scrutiny Committee

would support a rent increase of not more than 3.3% but their preferred option was for 2.68%, with balances being used to meet any shortfall between 2.68 % and 3.3%.