MINUTE EXTRACT



Minutes of the Meeting of the HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Held: THURSDAY, 15 JANUARY 2004 at 5.30pm

<u>PRESENT:</u>

<u>Councillor Draycott - Chair</u> <u>Councillor Smith – Liberal Democrat Spokesperson</u> <u>Councillor Allen - Conservative Spokesperson</u>

Councillor Coral Councillor Keeling Councillor Karim Councillor Shelton

Also in Attendance

Christine Cronogue - Leicester Federation of Tenants' Associations

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54. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any interests they might have in the business on the agenda, and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applied to them.

Members declared the following personal and prejudicial interests in the whole agenda:

Councillor Corrall	related to a tenant of a Council owned property
Christine Cronogue	tenant of a Council owned property
Councillor Draycott	related to a tenant of a Council owned property
Councillor Shelton	related to a tenant of a Council owned property and
	his son is employed by the Housing Department
Councillor Smith	tenant of a Council owned property

The prejudicial interests did not apply under the provisions of the Model Code of Conduct, Paragraph 10 (d), and therefore they remained in the meeting and took part in the discussion on the items.

64. LETTINGS WITHIN COMMUNITIES

The Corporate Director of Housing submitted a report seeking authority to

amend the Housing Allocation Policy.

Member's attention was drawn to the plans to increase the requirement for continuous residency immediately prior to application to 12 months and also to the legal advice within the report, which highlighted the effects of the new proposals.

RESOLVED:

that the Committee express support for the proposed amendment to the housing allocation policy.