



Leicester
City Council

MEETING OF THE HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMISSION

DATE: MONDAY, 27 JULY 2015

TIME: 5:30 pm

PLACE: Meeting Room G.01, Ground Floor, City Hall, 115 Charles Street, Leicester, LE1 1FZ

Members of the Scrutiny Commission

Councillor Newcombe (Chair)
Councillor Alfonso (Vice Chair)

Councillors Aldred, Aqbany, Byrne, Cank and Joshi
1 Un-allocated Non-Group Place

Members of the Scrutiny Commission are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed overleaf.

For Monitoring Officer

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PUBLIC SESSION

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business to be discussed.

3. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION 2015/16

Members are asked to note the membership of the Commission for 2015/16:

Councillor Newcombe (Chair)
Councillor Alfonso (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Aldred
Councillor Aqbany
Councillor Byrne
Councillor Cank
Councillor Joshi

4. DATE OF COMMISSION MEETINGS 2015/16

Members are asked to note the meeting dates of the Commission for 2015/16 (all to start at 5.30pm):-

Monday 27 July 2015
Tuesday 8 September 2015
Monday 2 November 2015
Monday 14 December 2015
Monday 8 February 2016
Monday 18 April 2016

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Appendix A

The minutes of the meeting of the Housing Scrutiny Commission held on 18 March 2015 are attached and Members are asked to confirm them as a correct record.

6. PETITIONS

The Monitoring Officer to report on the receipt of any petitions received in accordance with Council procedures.

7. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS OR STATEMENTS OF CASE

The Monitoring Officer to report on the receipt of any questions, representations or statements of case received in accordance with Council procedures.

8. TERMS OF REFERENCE **Appendix B**

Members are asked to note the Terms of Reference for the Housing Scrutiny Commission, attached.

9. COMMUNAL CLEANING: DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE **Appendix C**

The Director Housing submits a report which provides the formal feedback required by the Housing Scrutiny Commission on the recommendations made by the Communal Cleaning Task Group on 18th March 2015. The previous report can be found at the following link:

<http://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk:8071/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=735&MId=6510&Ver=4>

The Housing Scrutiny Commission is invited to approve the recommendations within the report.

10. RENT ARREARS **Appendix D**

The Director of Housing submits a report on rent arrears for the period April 2014 to March 2015.

11. WORK PROGRAMME **Appendix E**

The current work programme for the Commission is attached. The Commission is asked to consider this and make comments and/or amendments as it considers necessary.

12. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS