



Leicester
City Council

MEETING OF THE HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMISSION

DATE: MONDAY, 7 OCTOBER 2019

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 Westley (Chair)

Councillor Nangreave (Vice Chair)

Councillors Aqbany, Gee, O'Donnell, Pickering and Willmott

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

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AGENDA

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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. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of the Housing Scrutiny Commission held on 5 August 2019 have been circulated, and Members are asked to confirm them as a correct record.

4. PETITIONS

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

5. 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.

Three questions have been submitted:

Ms Z Zelter submits the following questions:

- 1) "In light of the climate emergency and fuel poverty, does the council intend to require all its new developments to be to Passivhaus/Zero Carbon standard with renewable generation? If not, why? And if yes, what is the time line?"
- 2) "Would Leicester City Council consider actively checking and enforcing all private rental accommodation to ensure it is reaching minimum

carbon efficiency standards, and licencing them to cover the cost of checks and enforcement?”

- 3) “Given that there is to be a consultation in the next few months on a carbon action plan for the city, please would this commission press for an additional person to be added to the City Executive (beyond the deputy city mayor for environment) whose sole role would be to push for all council policy and actions to be in line with tackling the climate emergency to be part of that carbon action plan.”

6. HOUSING LEICESTER [Appendix A](#)

The Director of Housing submits a presentation to the Scrutiny Commission for noting to update on progress on the delivery of new housing.

7. VOID PERFORMANCE REPORT: APRIL - JUNE 2019 [Appendix B](#)

The Director of Housing submits a report to the Housing Scrutiny Commission for noting to provide an update to Members on void performance for the first quarter of 2019/20.

8. RESPONSIVE HOUSING REPAIRS PERFORMANCE REPORT [Appendix C](#)

The Director of Housing submits a report to the Housing Scrutiny Commission for noting, which provides an update on the Division’s performance on the completion of responsive repairs to council properties, and an update about the implementation of service charges.

9. HOUSING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT AND HOUSING CHANNEL SHIFT [Appendix D](#)

The Director of Housing submits a report to the Housing Scrutiny Commission for noting which provides an overview and update of the Housing System Replacement programme and Housing Channel Shift.

10. TENANTS' AND LEASEHOLDERS' FORUM ACTION AND DECISION LOG [Appendix E](#)

The Scrutiny Policy Officer submits for noting the Tenants’ and Leaseholders’ Forum Action Log from 1 August 2019.

11. WORK PROGRAMME [Appendix F](#)

Members of the Commission will be asked to consider the work programme and make suggestions for additional items as it considers necessary.

12. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS