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NOTICE OF MEETING

HOUSING & SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL

THURSDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2016 AT 3.00 PM

CONFERENCE ROOM C, FLOOR 2 OF THE CIVIC OFFICES, PORTSMOUTH

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Membership

Councillor Darren Sanders (Chair)	Councillor Alicia Denny
Councillor Gemma New (Vice-Chair)	Councillor Frank Jonas
Councillor Jennie Brent	Councillor Leo Madden

Standing Deputies

Councillor Matthew Winnington	Councillor Hugh Mason
Councillor Lee Hunt	Councillor David Tompkins

(NB This Agenda should be retained for future reference with the minutes of this meeting.)

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AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 Declaration of Members' Interests
- 3 Minutes of the previous meeting 17 November 2016 (Pages 3 4)

Recommended that the minutes of the Housing and Social Care Scrutiny Panel meeting held on 17 November 2016 be approved as a correct record.

4 Current review: Housing Need and Empty Properties in Portsmouth and the impact of Government Policy on them

The panel will hear from the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Wemyss, the Director of Property and Housing Services, Carole Damper MBE, the Chief Executive of The EC Roberts Centre and the Assistant Housing Manager.

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HOUSING & SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL

Minutes of the meeting of the Housing & Social Care Scrutiny Panel held on Thursday, 17 November 2016 at 3.30 pm at the Civic Offices, Portsmouth.

Present

Councillor Darren Sanders (in the Chair)

Councillors Jennie Brent Leo Madden

54. Apologies for absence (Al 1)

Councillors Frank Jonas, Alicia Denny and Gemma New were not required to attend.

55. Declaration of Members' Interests (Al 2)

There were no interests declared.

56. Minutes of the previous meeting - 21 October 2016 (Al 3)

RESOLVED that the minutes of Housing and Social Care Scrutiny Panel meeting held on 21 October 2016 be approved as a correct record.

57. Current review: Housing Need and Empty Properties in Portsmouth and the impact of Government Policy on them. (Al 4)

The chair, Councillor Sanders explained that as he had been informed that there may be announcements in next week's Autumn Statement regarding changes to Government Housing Policy, it had been agreed that the Cabinet Member for Housing and the Director of Property and Housing Services would be better placed to update the panel at their next meeting in December.

58. Date of next meeting. (Al 5)

It was agreed that the next meeting of the panel would be held on Thursday 15th December at 3pm.

Members also agreed the date of the January meeting as Thursday 19th January, time to be confirmed.

The meeting concluded at 3.35 pm.

Councillor Darren Sanders Chair