



NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING - DECISION MEETING

TUESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2008 AT 4.00 PM

EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM, GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH

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A G E N D A

1 Declaration of Members' Interests in accordance with Standing Order No 14

2 Private Sector Housing Stock Condition Report

... The purpose of the attached report by the Head of Community Housing is to inform the Cabinet Member of the findings of the Private Sector House Condition Survey and highlight the need for the city council to continue to financially support private sector housing renewal providing assistance for vulnerable residents to improve the condition and thermal comfort of their homes.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member

- (1) notes the results of the comprehensive Private Sector House Condition Survey.**
- (2) supports the continued use of innovative and accessible city council funded financial assistant packages to support housing renewal, improvement and refurbishment in the private sector.**

- (3) welcomes the proposal to run a 'Winter Warmth' campaign for 2008/09 to offer advice and practical support to older residents to improve the thermal comfort of their homes.

3 Homelessness Strategy and Action Plan 2008 – 2013

... The attached report by the Head of Community Housing brings to the Cabinet Member's attention the fact that the Homelessness Strategy, the draft of which was endorsed by the Executive Member for Housing on 18th March 2008, has now been published and that an Action Plan is being progressed.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member

(1) notes the publication of the Homelessness Strategy 2008 - 2013 on the city council website.

(2) supports the work of the Housing Partnership's Homelessness Focus Group as it confirms the Action Plan that will take the strategy forward over the next five years.

4 Housing Portfolio – Cash Limit Budget Monitoring Report 2008/09

... The attached report by the Strategic Director and Section 151 Officer informs the Cabinet Member for Housing of the projected expenditure against the cash limit for the current financial year 2008/09.

RECOMMENDED that the report be noted.

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