



NOTICE OF MEETING

**CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING'S DECISION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER 2009 AT 4:00 PM**

**EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM, FLOOR 3, THE GUILDHALL,
PORTSMOUTH**

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Cabinet Member - Councillor Steven Wylie

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AGENDA

1. **Declaration of Members' Interests**
2. **Housing Portfolio - Cash Limit Budget Monitoring report 2009/10**
 - ... The purpose of the attached report is inform the Cabinet Member for Housing of projected expenditure against the cash limit for the current financial year 2009/10.
 - RECOMMENDED that the report be noted.**
3. **Update on Portsmouth's Housing Market**
 - ... The attached is an interim report, midway through the financial year, to review

the city's housing market. Where relevant, comparison is made with regional and national markets. Like the last review in February 2009, this is not limited to home ownership but includes private (market) renting and social renting from the city council and housing associations, also known as registered social landlords or RSLs. Whether home purchase is becoming more affordable is not considered in this report; but will be reviewed in the next housing market update in early 2010 when income data from the Office of National Statistics – an essential element for defining degrees of affordability - will be available.

RECOMMENDED: that the Cabinet Member for Housing notes the current situation with the housing market in Portsmouth.

4. Supporting People Programme Update

... The purpose of the attached report is provide the Cabinet Member for Housing with an update on progress made on ongoing issues within the Supporting People (SP) programme in Portsmouth.

RECOMMENDED:

- 1. That the Cabinet Member for Housing notes the changes in levels of funding to the Older People and Learning Disabilities client groups as a result of the recent Strategic Review of services and central government reductions in grant funding.**
- 2. That the Cabinet Member for Housing notes progress made in implementing a range of improvements to the Supporting People programme.**
- 3. That the Cabinet Member for Housing notes the ongoing issues currently being resolved.**
- 4. That the Cabinet Member supports further communication with Communities and Local Government on the potential detrimental effect on services to vulnerable residents as a result of reducing financial support**