

NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING - DECISION MEETING

TUESDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2011 AT 12 NOON (NB REVISED TIME)

EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM, FLOOR 3, THE GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH

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Membership

Cabinet Member - Councillor Steven Wylie

Opposition Spokespersons - Councillor Malcolm Hey and Councillor Jim Patey

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

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AGENDA

1 Declaration of Members' Interests

2 Sheltered Housing – Night Service at CAT 2.5 Schemes

... The attached report by the Head of Housing Management reports on the results of the consultation with Category (CAT) 2.5 Sheltered Residents and other stakeholders on the options for the delivery on the night service in categories 2.5 Sheltered Housing Schemes and seeks agreement of permanent arrangements for the night service at these schemes and agreeing funding and charges for this.

RECOMMENDED that in view of the overwhelming support of the Category 2.5 Residents for Option 2 (on site presence every night in each of the seven schemes) the Cabinet Member agrees to the implementation of Option 2 and the consequent necessary funding and charging arrangements.

3 The Council Housing Budget for 2011/12

... The report by the Head of Housing Management and Strategic Director and Section 151 Officer is attached.

The City Council has delegated to the Cabinet Member for Housing the functions of setting rents charges and budgets for council housing. The purpose of the report is to seek the Cabinet Member's decisions on Council housing budgets, rents and other charges, debt repayment and the funding of Adventure Play Areas and to give authority for managers to incur expenditure in 2011/12.

Approval is also sought to allow officers to consult with residents' representatives, the Cabinet Member for Housing and Opposition spokespersons and if appropriate finalise arrangements for "Self Financing" for Council Housing, including taking on extra debt in exchange for ending payments to Government under the HRA Subsidy System.

The recommendations are set out in Paragraph 12 of the report including recommendation (xi) to the City Council regarding Self Financing for council housing and any necessary borrowing required.

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