

# NOTICE OF MEETING

# **CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING**

# TUESDAY, 29 JANUARY 2019 AT 3.00 PM

# **EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM - THE GUILDHALL - FLOOR 3**

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### **CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING**

Councillor Darren Sanders (Liberal Democrat)

#### Group Spokespersons

Councillor Tom Coles, Labour Councillor Luke Stubbs, Conservative

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## <u>A G E N D A</u>

- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Declaration of Interests
- **3 Southsea Community Centre Site Development** (Pages 5 14)

The report by the Director of Housing, Neighbourhood and Building Services seeks approval from the Cabinet Member for Housing to engage the

Regeneration team to deliver a new development of 23 flats on the site of the former Southsea community centre site.

**RECOMMENDED** that the Cabinet Member for Housing:

- (1) approves the following Capital Expenditure amounting to £4m, delivering a new build of fourteen, 2 bed flats; five,1 bed flats; three,1 bed mobility flat and one, 2 bed mobility flat, totalling 23 flats to be retained within the HRA.
- (2) delegates authority to the Director of Housing, Neighbourhood and Building Services in consultation with the Director of Finance & S151 Officer to amend the spending profile and funding model of the proposed scheme whilst ensuring that the schemes remain financially viable following any necessary changes.
- (3) delegates the Director of Housing, Neighbourhood and Building to approve any application for any grant funding to support the scheme.
- **4 Housing allocations scheme** (Pages 15 46)

The report by the Director of Housing, Neighbourhood and Building Services presents a refresh of the council's policy for allocation social housing in Portsmouth.

#### **RECOMMENDED** that the Cabinet Member for Housing agrees:

- (1) To accept the new Housing Allocation Scheme.
- (2) To delegate authority to the Director for Housing, Neighbourhood and Building Services to agree any future minor amendments to the scheme. This will be reported to councillors through the Members' Information Service and added to the published scheme documents.
- **5 Draft Homelessness Strategy** (Pages 47 74)

The report by the Director of Housing, Neighbourhood and Building Services presents the updated draft homelessness strategy which outlines Portsmouth's preventative approach to understanding and responding to customers and residents who face homelessness.

#### **RECOMMENDED** that the Cabinet Member for Housing agrees:

- (1) To endorse the council's draft Homelessness Strategy 2018-2023.
- (2) To instruct officers to undertake formal consultation on the strategy with relevant partners and stakeholders.

# (3) That following consultation, officers should return to councillors with a final strategy, and action plan, for agreement.

#### 6 Council Housing Budget 2019/20 (Pages 75 - 102)

The purpose of the report by the Director of Housing, Neighbourhood and Building Services and the Director of Finance and Information Services is to seek the Cabinet Member's decisions on Council Housing budgets, rents and other charges and to give authority for managers to incur expenditure in 2019/20.

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