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A G E N D A

1 Welcome and Introductions

The Chair to welcome Members, officers and the public to the meeting and introduce Members and officers who are present.

2 Apologies

To receive any apologies of absence.

3 Disclosures of Interest

Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests, or personal interests (including other pecuniary interests) they may have in the business to be transacted, and officers to disclose any interests they may have in any contract to be considered.

4 Minutes

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To approve, and the Chair to sign as a correct record, the Minutes of the meetings of the Housing and Community Committee held on 27 March 2018 (Item 4[a]) and the Community and Housing Scrutiny Committee held on 16 May 2018 (Item 4[b]).

5 Terms of Reference

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To note the Terms of Reference for the Community and Housing Scrutiny Committee, and, if necessary, suggest any changes for consideration by the Scrutiny Management Committee (Item 5).

At its meeting on 20 July 2018, the Committee's Planning Group suggested the following amendments:

(a) Undertaking the Council's statutory scrutiny role in respect of scrutinising and reviewing Crime and Community Safety, including anti-social behaviour and emergency planning;

(b) Reviewing the availability and provision of housing in Milton Keynes, including private sector housing and services.

6 Appointment of Call-in Sub-Committee

To appoint all members of the Committee to the Community and Housing Scrutiny Committee Call-in Sub-Committee for the Council year 2018/19, from which 5 members (2:2:1) will form the Sub-Committee for any particular meeting in line with the overall proportionality of members on the Council.

The Committee's Terms of Reference provide that the Sub-Committee will review decisions of Cabinet, individual Cabinet members or officer key decisions called-in, as referred by the Scrutiny Management Committee in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

7 **Scrutiny of the Council’s Draft Housing Strategy 2018-23** 19 - 66

To scrutinise, comment on and if appropriate, make recommendations to Cabinet, on the Council’s Draft Housing Strategy 2018-23.

At its meeting on 10 July, Cabinet considered the proposals for a Draft Housing Strategy 2018-23 and agreed the request for a 12 week public consultation.

The following documents are included as part of this agenda:

- Report to Cabinet requesting a public consultation on the Draft Housing Strategy 2018-23 (Item 7[a]);
- *Our Housing Strategy for Milton Keynes 2018-2023* (Item 7[b])
- *A New Housing Strategy for Milton Keynes: The Evidence Base* (Item 7[c])

8 **Scrutiny of the Housing Revenue Account Business Plan Model** 67 - 78

To scrutinise, comment on and if appropriate, make recommendations to Cabinet, on the options and priorities for Housing Revenue Account investment, to inform a finalised 30 year Housing Revenue Account Business Plan.

At its meeting on 10 July, Cabinet considered the proposals for a Housing Revenue Account Business Plan and agreed the request for a 12 week public consultation.

The following documents are included as part of this agenda:

- Report to Cabinet requesting a public consultation on the Housing Revenue Account Business Plan (Item 8[a])
- The Draft Housing Revenue Account Business Plan Model (Item 8[b])

9 **2018-19 Work Programme – to Note** 79 - 86

A Work Programme for 2018/19 (Item 10) has been prepared by the Committee’s Planning Group (Chair and Vice-Chairs) and is included for information. The Work Programme was ratified by the Scrutiny Management Committee at its meeting on 12 June (Item 9).

Since ratification by the Scrutiny Management Committee, the Community and Housing Committee’s Planning Group has

provisionally requested an extra meeting on 27 September to scrutinise the Council's new proposals for dealing with Travellers Issues.

Following the successful completion of the consultation periods for both Items 7 and 8 above, the revised Draft Housing Strategy and the Housing Revenue Account Business Plan are scheduled to be presented to Cabinet on 6 November. This is the day before the next scheduled meeting of the Community and Housing Committee. The Committee's Planning Group is therefore exploring the possibility of moving this meeting forward to the end of October so that its comments on these two documents can be fed into the Cabinet's deliberations.

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