

REGENERATION AND HOUSING PANEL

Monday, 9th March, 2020

Present: Councillor Loraine Cox (in the Chair), Councillors Jean Battle MBE, Tony Dobson, Joyce Plummer, Dave Parkins and June Harrison

Apologies Mohammad Ayub, Stewart Eaves, Simon Prideaux and Sarah Whittaker

81 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions

There were apologies received from Councillors Mohammed Ayub and Stewart Eaves.

Councillor June Harrison acted a substitute for Councillor Stewart Eaves.

82 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest submitted at the meeting.

83 Minutes of Last Meeting held on 6th January 2020

The minutes of the last meeting of the Regeneration and Housing Panel held on 6th January 2020 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

Agreed – That the Minutes be received and approved as a correct record.

Matters arising from the minutes were as follows:

- Councillor Dave Parkins thanked the team for the hard work and dedication.
- The Head of Regeneration and Housing advised the panel the B with Us Allocations Policy Review had been changed to incorporate the equity issues raised at the last meeting.
- Councillor Jean Battle requested an education session for ALL Councillors on Disabled Facilities Grant.

Agreed – The Head of Regeneration and Housing to liaise with The Chair and Councillor Tony Dobson to arrange.

- Councillor Tony Dobson requested further information on Government funding for Homelessness.

Agreed – The Head of Regeneration and Housing to look into the funding access and respond via email.

84 Regeneration and Housing Update

85 Housing Renewal Funding Update

The Regeneration and Property Manager updated Members on the progress with the 2019/20 Regeneration and Housing Funding Programmes (Capital and Revenue). There is a large programme which is achievable for the team to deliver and 25% has been completed to date. She talked through the progression on the projects and any slippages.

Good progress has been made around the DFG's, the Council is now using discretionary powers to help more households in order to maximise spend on the programme.

86 Urgent Business

There was no urgent business.

87 The Time and Date of Future Meetings:

The date of the next meeting was confirmed to be Monday 8th June 2020.

Signed:.....

Date:

Chair of the meeting
At which the minutes were confirmed