

Scrutiny Homes Sub-Committee Agenda



To: Councillors Councillor Leila Ben-Hassel (Chair), Councillor Adele Benson (Vice-Chair), Kola Agboola, Sue Bennett, Claire Bonham, Danielle Denton and Ellily Ponnuthurai

Reserve Members: Richard Chatterjee, Alisa Flemming, Clive Fraser, Brigitte Graham, Joseph Lee and Nikhil Sherine Thampi

A meeting of the **Scrutiny Homes Sub-Committee** which you are hereby summoned to attend, will be held on **Monday, 29 January 2024 at 6.30 pm** in the **Council Chamber, Town Hall, Katharine Street, Croydon CR0 1NX**

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AGENDA – PART A

1. Apologies for absence

To receive any apologies for absence from any members of the Sub-Committee.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 5 - 16)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 23 October 2023 as an accurate record.

3. Disclosures of Interest

Members are invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests (DPIs) and other registrable and non-registrable interests they may have in relation to any item(s) of business on today's agenda.

4. Urgent Business (if any)

To receive notice of any business not on the agenda which in the opinion of the Chair, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

5. Update on the Housing Revenue Account and Housing General Fund Budgets 2024-25 (Pages 17 - 34)

For the reasons set out in the report, the Scrutiny Homes Sub-Committee is recommended:

1. to note the Housing Revenue Account P7 outturn position
2. to note the Housing Revenue Account Budget 2024-25
3. to note the Housing Revenue Account Business Plan key headlines
4. to note the Housing General Fund P7 outturn position
5. to note the Housing General Fund Budget 2024-25

The Homes Sub-Committee is also asked to review the information provided on the identified budget proposals and reach a conclusion on the following:

1. Are the savings deliverable, sustainable and not an unacceptable risk?
2. Is the impact on service users and the wider community understood?
3. Have all reasonable alternative options been explored and do no better options exist?

6. Responsive Repairs Contract Update (Pages 35 - 52)

The Homes Sub-Committee is asked to receive a presentation providing

an update on the Responsive Repairs Contracts.

7. Cabinet Response to Scrutiny Recommendations (Pages 53 - 60)

The Homes Sub-Committee is presented with the most recent Cabinet responses to its past recommendations.

8. Work Programme 2023/24 (Pages 61 - 64)

To consider any additions, amendments or changes to the agreed work programme for the Sub-Committee in 2023/24.

9. Exclusion of the Press and Public

The following motion is to be moved and seconded where it is proposed to exclude the press and public from the remainder of a meeting:

“That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within those paragraphs indicated in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.”

PART B