

**Meeting** Business and Housing Policy Committee

**Date and Time** Tuesday, 1st March, 2022 at 6.30 pm.

**Venue** Walton Suite, Winchester Guildhall

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#### **AGENDA**

# 1. Apologies and Deputy Members

To note the names of apologies given and Deputy Members who are attending the meeting in place of appointed Members.

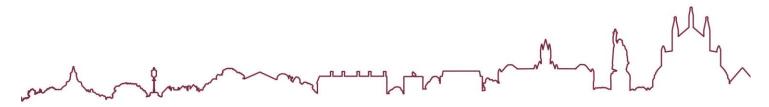
### 2. Disclosure of Interests

To receive any disclosure of interests from Members and Officers in matters to be discussed.

Note: Councillors are reminded of their obligations to declare disclosable pecuniary interests, and non disclosable interests in accordance with legislation and the Council's Code of Conduct.

If you require advice, please contact the appropriate Democratic Services Officer, <u>prior</u> to the meeting.

### 3. Chairperson's Announcements



4. **Minutes of the previous meeting held on 30 November 2021** (Pages 7 - 12)

That the minutes of the meeting be signed as a correct record.

### 5. **Public Participation**

To receive and note questions asked and statements made from members of the public on matters which fall within the remit of the Committee

NB members of the public are required to register with Democratic Services three clear working days before the meeting (see below for further details).

Members of the public and visiting councillors may speak at the Policy Committee, provided they have registered to speak three working days in advance. Please contact Democratic Services by 5pm on 23 February 2022 via democracy@winchester.gov.uk or (01962) 848 264 to register to speak and for further details

6. **Neighbourhood Services - Engagement Programme** (Pages 13 - 20) (Report Ref: BHP28)

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

- That the Policy Committee are asked to comment upon the proposed role and remit of two additional officers within the Neighbourhood Services team.
- 2. That the Policy Committee highlight collaborative opportunities for community engagement across Council teams to avoid duplication of services.
- 7. Winchester City Council Landlord Letting Policy (Pages 21 40) (Report Ref: BHP27)

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That the Policy Committee are asked to comment upon the review and proposed improvement changes made to the Landlord Lettings policy.

8. **The Homelessness Prevention Grant – Spending Plan 2022/23** (Pages 41 - 52)

(Report Ref: BHP029)

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1. That the Policy Committee notes that a report seeking formal approval of the Spending Plan will be considered by Cabinet in June 2022.
- 2. That the Policy Committee review and provide comment on the Homelessness Prevention Grant Spending Plan 2022/23, and in particular consider and comment on:
  - a) The overall approach supporting the Council's Homelessness Prevention service;
  - b) The detailed proposals of the spending plan
  - c) Proposals for managing the existing reserve.
- 9. **Shop Appy** (Pages 53 60)

(Report Ref: BHP26)

### RECOMMENDATION:

The Policy committee are asked to:

- 1. Note the progress made on delivery of this programme of work to date.
- 10. **Digital Task Force** (Pages 61 86)

(Report Ref: BHP24)

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The Policy Committee are asked to:

- Comment on and endorse the A Digital Winchester District ISG report, see Appendix 1
- 2. Note the key findings in the report which will be used to influence relevant policies and strategies across the council and beyond
- 11. **To note the Work Programme for 2021/22** (Pages 87 88)

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### **MEMBERSHIP**

Chairperson: Weir (Liberal Democrats) Vice-Chairperson: Fern (Liberal

Democrats)

Conservatives Liberal Democrats

IsaacsBronkLumbyCraskeScottRadcliffe

### **Deputy Members**

Horrill and Miller Edwards and Ferguson

Quorum = 4 members

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A public question and comment session is available at 6.30pm for a 15 minute period. There are few limitations on the questions you can ask. These relate to current applications, personal cases and confidential matters. Please contact Democratic Services on 01962 848 264 three days in advance of the meeting for further details. If there are no members of the public present at 6.30pm who wish to ask questions or make statements, then the meeting will commence.

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