

TENANT SCRUTINY BOARD

Meeting to be held in Skype on Friday, 18th December, 2020 at 10.00 am

(A pre-meeting will take place for ALL Members of the Board at 1.00 p.m.)

MEMBERSHIP

John Gittos
Sallie Bannatyne
Stanley Burton
Mary Farish
Maddy Hunter
Rita Ighade
Peter Middleton
Jackie Worthington
Keith Mack
Ian Parr

Please note: Certain or all items on this agenda may be recorded

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AGENDA

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1			EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC	
			To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.	
			2 To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.	
			3 If so, to formally pass the following resolution:-	
			RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following parts of the agenda designated as containing exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:	
			No exempt items have been identified.	
2			LATE ITEMS	
			To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.	
			(The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes.)	
3			APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
			To receive any apologies for absence.	

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4			MINUTES -	
			To confirm as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on	
5			CHAIR'S UPDATE	
			To receive an update from the Chair on scrutiny activity, not specifically included on this agenda, since the previous Board meeting.	
6			TENANT UPDATE	5 - 6
			Update on tenants engagement Happy	
7			DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING	
			THIRD PARTY RECORDING	
			Recording of this meeting is allowed to enable those not present to see or hear the proceedings either as they take place (or later) and to enable the reporting of those proceedings. A copy of the recording protocol is available from the contacts named on the front of this agenda.	
			Use of Recordings by Third Parties– code of practice	
			a) Any published recording should be accompanied by a statement of when and where the recording was made, the context of the discussion that took place, and a clear identification of the main speakers and their role or title.	
			b) Those making recordings must not edit the recording in a way that could lead to misinterpretation or misrepresentation of the proceedings or comments made by attendees. In particular there should be no internal editing of published extracts; recordings may start at any point and end at any point but the material between those points must be complete.	
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Joint Statement from all Leeds City Council Scrutiny Board Chairs

On 16 March 2020, Leeds City Council took the necessary step to cancel a number of planned meetings of various Committees, Boards and Panels. This included all Scrutiny Board meetings and any joint scrutiny arrangements where the Council acts as the lead authority.

As Scrutiny Board Chairs, we were fully involved in the decision-making process to cancel all Scrutiny Board meetings for the foreseeable future. Moreover, we fully support the action taken by the Council in what are unprecedented circumstances.

The decisive actions taken by the Council have since been reinforced by the further restrictions placed on people's movement and public contact, announced by Prime Minister on 23 March 2020.

Undoubtedly, after the current circumstances have passed and a high degree of normality returns to daily living, there will be opportunity to reflect and identify any lessons learned across different service areas and statutory local authority scrutiny functions will have an important role to play in this process.

Nonetheless, it is important to recognise that all public services across the UK are grappling with the worst public health crisis in a century. As such, services and local leaders need the time and space to deal with the 'here and now' and respond to the fast-paced changes that are occurring on a daily basis.

As Scrutiny Board Chairs we are actively engaged in the review and clearance of key decisions that are necessarily taken under our Urgency provisions. It is also worth confirming that Call-in arrangements continue and, if such a meeting were to be necessary, this would be facilitated as a remote meeting of the appropriate Board.

We jointly applaud the speed and dedication with which the staff of the Council and its partners are working to address this enormous challenge.

Barry Anderson

Councillor Barry Anderson Chair, Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities) Councillor Helen Hayden Chair, Scrutiny Board (Adults, Health and Active Lifestyles) Councillor Mary Harland Chair, Scrutiny Board (Strategy and Resources)

Councillor Alan Lamb Chair, Scrutiny Board (Children and Families)

Councillor Paul Truswell Chair, Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure, Investment and Inclusive Growth)

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30 March 2020

