

Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee on Wednesday, 31 October 2012

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Part A – Items considered in public

A1	Declarations of Interest (Including Whipping Declarations)	No declarations of interest were made.
A2	Minutes	<p>(a) That, subject to the aforementioned amendment, the minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman;</p> <p>(b) That the Director of Community Services liaise with the Planning Manager and Head of Planning in regard to the need to identify land for development; and</p> <p>(c) That the Head of Housing seek permission to circulate the report on the housing waiting list to the Committee.</p>
A3	Update on the Repairs and Maintenance Service	<p>(a) That the report be noted;</p> <p>(b) That the Interim Asset Manager seek a response from the Fleet Manager on why operatives were forbidden to jump start Council vehicles; and</p> <p>(c) That a standard item on the mobile PDA devices be included on the Committee's Forward Work Programme.</p>
A4	Estate Management Services	<p>(a) Assisted Garden Service - that the Committee support low level intervention by garden operatives and that any proposals for high level intervention would require further information including costings;</p> <p>(b) Assisted Garden Service - that the Committee support the collection of grass cuttings at a small charge, with the use of brown bins to minimise cost;</p> <p>(c) That the Committee support in principle charging for the Garden Service;</p> <p>(d) Environmental Visual Audits - that Members support the EVAs in helping to identify</p>

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		<p>local issues;</p> <p>(e) Garage Review - that Members of the Committee consider the future use of private garages on Council owned plots within their wards;</p> <p>(f) Allotments (Housing land) - that the Committee support the transfer of management of the Dobshill site to Leisure Services, the increase in rent for allotments situated on Housing land, the introduction of standardised rental agreements and a Council Tenant Preference Group for allotments situated on Housing Service owned land;</p> <p>(g) Maintenance of Housing Land (Street Scene) - that the Committee support in principle the early proposals to transfer the management of HRA land maintenance to Street Scene with a view to improving the customer experience; and</p> <p>(h) Estate Caretaker Review - that the considerations be noted.</p>
A5	SARTH	<p>(a) That the development of the project to date and the responses to questions from the Member Workshop be noted; and</p> <p>(b) That the Committee support the continuation with the SARTH project and contribution to development costs, subject to budget approval.</p>
A6	FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME	<p>That the draft Forward Work Programme be agreed with the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The HRA Subsidy report to be deferred from the December 2012 meeting to a later date and any replacement report such as the Homelessness and Welfare Reform proposals to be brought in consultation with the Chair and Member Engagement Manager; and - That quarterly reports on Capita be received by the Committee.

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