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4 January 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF HYBRID MEETING
COMMUNITY & HOUSING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, 10TH JANUARY, 2024 at 10.00 AM

Yours faithfully

Steven Goodrum
Democratic Services Manager

Please note: Attendance at this meeting is either in person in the Lord Barry Jones Council Chamber, Flintshire County Council, County Hall, Mold, Flintshire or on a virtual basis.

The meeting will be live streamed onto the Council's website. The live streaming will stop when any confidential items are considered. A recording of the meeting will also be available, shortly after the meeting at <https://flintshire.public-i.tv/core/portal/home>

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A G E N D A

1 **APOLOGIES**

Purpose: To receive any apologies.

2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (INCLUDING WHIPPING DECLARATIONS)**

Purpose: To receive any Declarations and advise Members accordingly.

3 **MINUTES** (Pages 5 – 20)

Purpose: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meetings held on 15th November and 13th December, 2023.

4 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME AND ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 21 - 30)

Report of Overview & Scrutiny Facilitator

Purpose: To consider the Forward Work Programme of the Community & Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee and to inform the Committee of progress against actions from previous meetings.

5 **WELSH HOUSING QUALITY STANDARDS (WHQS) 2023** (Pages 31 - 38)

Report of Chief Officer (Housing and Communities) - Cabinet Member for Housing and Regeneration

Purpose: To provide an update on the new Welsh Housing Quality Standards (WHQS) 2023 and the Council's obligations relating to delivery of the new standards.

6 **CAR PARKING PROVISION – COUNCIL OWNED PROPERTIES** (Pages 39 - 44)

Report of Chief Officer (Housing and Communities) - Cabinet Member for Housing and Regeneration

Purpose: To provide an overview of Council's Environmental Programme which includes the provision of car parking at Council owned properties.

7 ALARM SERVICE CHARGES REVIEW (Pages 45 - 66)

Report of Chief Officer (Housing and Communities) - Cabinet Member for Housing and Regeneration

Purpose: To outline the proposal to achieve full cost recovery for the Housing Revenue Account alarms service.

8 COST OF LIVING AND WELFARE REFORM (Pages 67 - 78)

Report of Chief Officer (Housing and Communities) - Cabinet Member for Housing and Regeneration

Purpose: To update on the impacts of welfare reforms and the work that is ongoing to mitigate the impacts.

9 HOUSING MANAGEMENT AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR POLICY (Pages 79 - 112)

Report of Chief Officer (Housing and Communities) - Cabinet Member for Housing and Regeneration

Purpose: To provide an overview of the changes that have been made to the Housing Management Policy and the Anti-Social Behaviour Policy in response to the Renting Homes Wales Act 2016.

FOR INFORMATION

10 VOID MANAGEMENT

Purpose: A copy of the Void Management briefing document will be provided to the Committee at the meeting.

Please note that there may be a 10 minute adjournment of this meeting if it lasts longer than two hours