## **Agenda**



# Housing and Communities Committee

Date: Wednesday, 23 August 2023

**Time:** 10:00

Format: Hybrid Meeting

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Dear Member

Please attend a meeting of the **Housing and Communities Committee** as detailed above.

Members will have the option to attend the meeting remotely or in person at the Civic Space, 16 Church Street, Dumbarton, G82 1QL.

The business is shown on the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully

**PETER HESSETT** 

Chief Executive

#### Distribution:-

Councillor Ian Dickson

Councillor Gurpreet Singh Johal (Chair)

Councillor David McBride

Councillor Jonathan McColl

Councillor Michelle McGinty

Councillor Jim McElhill

Councillor John Millar

Councillor Lawrence O'Neill

Councillor Lauren Oxley

Councillor Martin Rooney

Councillor Hazel Sorrell (Vice Chair)

Councillor Sophie Traynor

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Chief Officer - Housing and Employability

Chief Officer – Regulation and Regeneration

Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and

Property

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#### HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

#### **WEDNESDAY, 23 AUGUST 2023**

#### **AGENDA**

#### 1 STATEMENT BY CHAIR – AUDIO STREAMING

The Chair will be heard in connection with the above.

#### 2 APOLOGIES

#### 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are invited to declare if they have an interest in any of the items of business on this agenda and the reasons for such declarations.

#### 4 RECORDING OF VOTES

The Committee is asked to agree that all votes taken during the meeting be done by roll call vote to ensure an accurate record.

#### 5 OPEN FORUM

The Committee is asked to note that no open forum questions have been submitted by members of the public.

#### **6 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

7 - 12

Submit for approval, as a correct record, the Minutes of Meeting of the Housing and Communities Committee held on 3 May 2023.

#### **7 SCRUTINY REPORTS**

#### (A) POLICE SCRUTINY REPORT

To Follow

Submit report by the Divisional Commander, Police Scotland providing Members with an update for Quarter 1 on local policing in West Dunbartonshire.

#### (B) FIRE AND RESCUE SCRUTINY REPORT

13 - 22

Submit report by the Local Senior Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service providing and update on Quarter 1 performance data measured against priorities in the West Dunbartonshire Local Fire and Rescue Plan.

## 8 MORE HOMES WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE - WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUPPLY DELIVERY PROGRAMME

23 - 34

Submit report by the Chief Officer – Housing and Employability providing an update on progress with West Dunbartonshire's More Homes Programme, which oversees the delivery of the Council's new home building programme.

#### 9 SCOTTISH SOCIAL HOUSING CHARTER/REGULATION OF SOCIAL HOUSING IN SCOTLAND, ANNUAL UPDATE REPORT

35 - 46

Submit report by the Chief Officer – Housing and Employability providing an annual progress report on meeting the requirements of the Scottish Social Housing Charter and the Scottish Housing Regulator's Regulatory Framework for Social Housing.

### 10 ENHANCED HOUSING CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 47 - 53 BETTER HOMES WEST DUNBARTONSIRE

Submit report by the Chief Officer – Housing and Employability providing an update on the work of the Tenant/Officer Task and Finish Group, having agreed a revised spending profile to deliver an additional £30m of investment in Council homes over the next five year, following the decision taken by West Dunbartonshire Council to a weekly rent increase of 5% in 2023/24.

## 11 'INVOLVING YOU' WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL'S 55 - 92 TENANT PARTICIPATION STRATEGY 2021-24 ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT"

Submit report by the Chief Officer – Housing and Employability providing an annual progress report on the implementation of "Involving You", West Dunbartonshire Council's Tenant Participation Strategy which covers the period 2021-24.

### 12 NOMINATIONS AGREEMENT WITH VETERANS HOUSING 93 - 99 SCOTLAND

Submit report by the Chief Officer – Housing and Employability seeking agreement to enter into a new Nomination Agreement with Veterans Housing Scotland and Midlothian Council to provide two Council properties specifically for veterans, on an annual basis.

### 13 PROGRESS TO RE-LET EMPTY COUNCIL HOUSE 101 - 103 PROPERTIES

Submit report by the Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property providing an update on progress to improve on the approach to re-let of empty council house properties.

## 14 HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET CONTROL 105 - 122 REPORT 2023/24 TO 30 JUNE (PERIOD 3)

Submit report by the Chief Officer – Resources providing an update on the financial performance to 30 June 2023 (Period 3) of the HRA revenue and capital budgets for 2023/24.

## 15 GENERAL FUND HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES FINANCIAL 123 - 132 REPORT 2023/24 Period 3 (30 JUNE 2023)

Submit report by the Chief Officer – Resources providing an update on the financial performance to 30 June 2023 (Period 03) of general Fund services under the auspices of the Housing and Communities Committee.