

Strategic housing panel meeting - Thu, 19 Dec 2013

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Councillor George Clements [3]	
Councillor Peter Stephenson [4]	
Councillor Paul Whalley [5]	
Councillor Reg Heathcote [6]	
Councillor Alan Jacob [7]	
Councillor John Bowman [8]	
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Strategic Housing Panel - 18/12/13
Item 8

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EXECUTIVE MEMBERS: Councillor Cresswell
AGREED: Councillor Jones
REPORT BY: Councillor Cresswell

Summary and Recommendations:
It is reported that performance was achieved for the Strategic Housing Panel for 2013. It was agreed that reports would be presented annually. This report follows the Panel's operational activities during the last six months of 2013.

1. Introduction

1.1 The Housing Services have been successful in its ongoing housing activities through the provision of a wide range of services to the community, with housing, rental, repairs, management, regeneration, development, improvement, the provision of services, housing, advice, and support, to ensure protection and domestic violence.

2. Housing Advice

2.1 Between 1st April 2013 and 31 September 2013 there were 300 requests for housing advice, this is a small number for the same period last year. The majority of requests concerning the issue are working accommodation, but have no priority needs. There are 10 cases where no accommodation is available and the applicant will have to be rehoused. The figure does not take into account the number of telephone enquiries made to the housing advice team, which can range anywhere between 10 and 100 per year.

2.2 Where a member of the public with a housing problem has been referred to the housing advice team, the Housing Advice team will contact the applicant to discuss the problem and offer advice. Since the 1st April 2013 there have been 10 cases where there is a reduction in the number of requests for housing advice. It is noted that the Housing Advice team continues to be successful in its work and that there is no need for further advice. There are 10 cases where there is a need for further advice.

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Strategic Housing Panel - 18/12/13
Item 10

For Information/Working Paper

Item	Topic	Details	Notes	Recommendations
10	Strategic Housing Panel - 18/12/13	It is reported that performance was achieved for the Strategic Housing Panel for 2013. It was agreed that reports would be presented annually. This report follows the Panel's operational activities during the last six months of 2013.	It is noted that the Housing Advice team continues to be successful in its work and that there is no need for further advice. There are 10 cases where there is a need for further advice.	It is recommended that the Housing Advice team should continue to provide a high quality service to the community and that the Housing Services should continue to provide a high quality service to the community.

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STRATEGIC HOUSING PANEL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19 DECEMBER 2013 at 10:00am
Present: Councillors George Clements (Chairman), Alan Jacob, Reg Heathcote, Lena Hogg, Alan Noel and Peter Stephenson.
Speakers for attendance were invited from Councillor Paul Whalley.
Officers: Nicola Matthews, Housing Services Manager, Alan Wharmby, Head of Development Strategy and Peter Whalley, Manager Services Technical Support Officer.
Also present: Louise Barker, Home Group.
MINUTE 1
AGENDA: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 September 2013 be agreed by the Chairman as a correct record, subject to minor amendments being agreed to at the meeting. (Councillor Whalley was asked to apologise to Housing Group Members of their absence and not read Minutes.)
MINUTE 2
Business of Meeting
It was agreed that applications for planning permission be referred to the next meeting.
MINUTE 3
Speakers from Home Group
Members were provided with an opportunity to ask questions from Barker, Home Group.
These included:
• How many houses are available in the village?
• The impact of Welfare Reform.
• Current Homelessness.
• The number of people applying for the housing.
Louise Barker was thanked for attending the meeting.
MINUTE 4 - The meeting closed.

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Meeting attendance

Statistics for meeting attendance

Total committee membership	Apologies / Not present	Present	Percentage attendance
7	1	6	86

Meeting venue: The Copeland Centre - Bainbridge room

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