MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEMBER SIGNING TUESDAY, 11 AUGUST 2015

Present: Cllr Alan Strickland, Cabinet Member for Housing and Regeneration

In Attendance: Beverley Faulkner – Advice & Homelessness Prevention Manager

Denise Gandy – Director of Housing Demand

Robin Levett - Senior Lawyer

Philip Slawther – Principal Committee Coordinator

MINUTE ACTION NO. SUBJECT/DECISION BY

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HSP62.	FILMING AT MEETINGS
	The Cabinet Member referred those present to agenda Item 1 as shown on the agenda in respect of filming at this meeting and asked that those present reviewed and noted the information contained therein.
HSP63.	URGENT BUSINESS
	None.
HSP64.	AMENDMENT TO THE ALLOCATIONS POLICY TO REFLECT THE ALLOCATION OF HOUSING (QUALIFICATION CRITERIA FOR RIGHT TO MOVE) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2015.
	A report was tabled which sought Cabinet Member approval to amend the Allocations Scheme to comply with the Allocation of Housing (Qualification Criteria for Right to Move) (England) Regulations 2015 and statutory guidance. The regulations required Local Authorities to make available a minimum of 1% of their annual lettings to the Right to Move scheme.
	RESOLVED:
	That the Allocations Scheme approved by Cabinet on 14 October 2014 be amended to comply with the Right to Move regulations:
	By inserting at the end of paragraph 3.5.4 a further condition as follows:
	"They are (whether or not within Haringey) a secure or introductory tenant or the assured tenant of housing accommodation held by a private registered provider of social housing or a registered social landlord and:
	 Need to move to a particular locality within Haringey, where failure to meet that need would cause hardship (to themselves or to others); and either work within the borough or have a genuine intention of taking up an existing offer of work within the borough. that is not voluntary, short-term or marginal in nature, or ancillary to work in another borough"
	by providing a new section 15.17 to detail a direct let quota in any Council year of 1% of the previous year's annual lettings as follows:

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HSP66.

N/A

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	"Right to Move	
	The Council will release 1% of the previous year's annual lettings to be available for applicants who qualify for the Right to Move scheme. Details relating to the facilitation of the scheme in Haringey are contained in the Right to Move Procedure".	
HSP65.	AMENDMENT TO THE HOUSING ALLOCATION POLICY TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH LEGISLATION AND TO RENAME THE EXCEPTIONS PANEL	
	A report was tabled which sought Cabinet Member approval to amend the Allocations Policy (2015) to reflect the name change of the Exceptions Panel to the Decisions Panel. The report also sought Cabinet Member approval to promote those households with reasonable preference in Band D in the current Allocations Policy to comply with legislation. The Cabinet Member noted that the Allocations Scheme (2015) reduced the number of housing bands from five to three.	
	RESOLVED:	
	It was recommended that the Allocations Policy approved by Cabinet on 14 October 2014 be amended to:	
	i) Substitute the name "Decisions Panel" for the name "Exceptions Panel" at paragraph 15.28.1 of the Allocations Scheme, and	
	ii) promote those households in Band D pursuant to the current Allocations Scheme (2011) who are entitled to reasonable preference under s166A(3) of the Housing Act 1996 be promoted to Band C in the new Allocations Scheme (2015) to ensure that the Council is compliant with legislation.	

NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS