

Title of Report:	Correspondence
Committee Report Submitted To:	Council Meeting
Date of Meeting:	7 July 2020
For Decision or For Information	FOR INFORMATION

Linkage to Council Strategy (2019-23)	
Strategic Theme	Leader and Champion
Outcome	Establish key relationships with Government, agencies and potential strategic partners
Lead Officer	Director of Corporate Services

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	
Included in Current Year Estimates	N/A
Capital/Revenue	
Code	
Staffing Costs	

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes/No	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:

1.0 Purpose of Report

The purpose of the report is to present correspondence for Members' consideration.

2.0 The following is listed:

Northern Ireland Housing - June Housing Bulletin (copy attached)

The Northern Ireland Housing Council met on Thursday, 11th June 2020 at 10.30 am via Conference Call.

3.0 It is recommended that Council note the correspondence.



JUNE HOUSING COUNCIL BULLETIN

The Northern Ireland Housing Council met on Thursday, 11th June 2020 at 10.30 am via Conference Call.

For Information, a report of the attendance is undernoted:-

Members Present

Ald Tommy Nicholl	Mid & East Antrim Borough (Chair)
Cllr Anne-Marie Fitzgerald	Fermanagh & Omagh District (Vice Chair)
Cllr Mark Cooper	Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough
Cllr Nick Mathison	Ards & North Down Borough
Ald Jim Speers	Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough
Cllr Michelle Kelly	Belfast City
Ald John Finlay	Causeway Coast & Glens Borough
Ald Allan Bresland	Derry City & Strabane District
Ald Amanda Grehan	Lisburn & Castlereagh City
Cllr Michael Ruane	Newry, Mourne & Down District

Members Apologies

Cllr Catherine Elattar	Mid Ulster Borough
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The Housing Council's considered various routine items at the Meeting, followed by detailed discussions on the undernoted matters:-

- The Housing Executive's Chief Executive gave an update on the Housing Executive's position as a result of COVID-19, in relation to tenants; staffing; contracts and services still available.
- The Chief Executive then gave a verbal update on **Housing Executive's Business from the May Board Meeting**, which included the following items:-
 1. Corporate Risk Register (COVID-19)
 2. Finance Report as at 30 April 2020
 3. Housing Benefit Systems – Housing Management Development Budgets 2020-21
 4. CT045- Fence Painting Tender
 5. Irish Travellers Accommodation Strategy 2020-2025
 6. Undeveloped Land Schedule 2019/20
 7. Hope Street Development Proposal Update
 8. Business Performance Monitor as at end of April 2020
 9. Land Acquisitions and Disposals Quarterly Update
 10. Supporting People Monthly update

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11. Department for Communities (DfC) Inspection Reports
12. Social Housing Development Programme (SHDP) Performance 2019/20 and Delivery Risk Assessment 2020/21

- Members then received an update from Paul Price & David Polley Department for Communities, on the **Departments' Housing Top Issues** to date, which included:-
 1. Social Newbuild starts
 2. Co-ownership
 3. Programme for Social Reform
 4. Fundamental Review of Social Housing Allocations Policy
 5. Reclassification of Northern Ireland Social Housing Providers
 6. Supporting People Delivery Strategy
 7. Homelessness Strategy
 8. St Patrick's Barracks, Ballymena
 9. Regulation of the Private Rented Sector
 10. Increasing Housing Supply
 11. Affordable Warmth Scheme
 12. NIHE Rent Scheme
 13. Welfare Reform Mitigation payments
 14. European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) Investment

Once the minutes of the meeting are ratified at the August Meeting, they can be accessed on the Housing Council website: www.nihousingcouncil.org

The next Housing Council Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 13th August at 10.30 am in the Housing Centre, Belfast.

Should you require any further information or have any questions regarding the content.

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