

Title of Report:	Correspondence
Committee Report Submitted To:	Council Meeting
Date of Meeting:	3 December 2019
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/ <del>No</del>	Date:	
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes/ <del>No</del>	Date:	
Rural Needs Assessment	Screening Completed	Yes/ <del>No</del>	Date:	
(RNA)	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/ <del>No</del>	Date:	
Data Protection Impact	Screening Completed:	Yes/ <del>No</del>	Date:	
Assessment (DPIA)	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes/ <del>No</del>	Date:	

# 1.0 Purpose of Report

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

# **2.0** The following is listed:

# **2.1 Housing Council November Bulletin** (copy attached)

The Northern Ireland Housing Council met on Thursday, 14th November 2019 at 10.30 am in the Craigavon Civic Centre, Bulletin enclosed.

**3.0** It is recommended that Council note the correspondence.



# **NOVEMBER HOUSING COUNCIL BULLETIN**

The Northern Ireland Housing Council met on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 10.30 am in the Craigavon Civic Centre at the kind invitation of the Alderman Jim Speers

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)

Ald John Finlay Causeway Coast & Glens Borough

Cllr Michelle Kelly Belfast City

Ald Amanda Grehan Lisburn & Castlereagh City

Cllr Catherine Elattar Mid Ulster Borough

Cllr Michael Ruane Newry, Mourne & Down District

## **Members Apologies**

Cllr Nick Mathison Ards & North Down Borough

Ald Jim Speers Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough

Ald Allan Bresland Derry City & Strabane District

The Housing Council's considered various routine items at the Meeting, followed by detailed discussions on the undernoted matters:-

- Members received a presentation by Judith Woodburn from the Department for Communities on Statutory Appointments to the Board of the Northern Ireland Housing Executive
- A power-point presentation was received by Sarah McAdorey from the Housing Executive on Customer Support & Tenancy Sustainment Strategy
- The Housing Executive's Chief Executive gave a verbal update on Housing Executive's Business from the October Board Meeting, which included the following items:-
  - 1. Housing Executive's Board Away Day
  - 2. Finance Report as at 31st July 2019
  - 3. Demolition
  - 4. Compliance/Health & Safety Assurance Report
  - 5. Bonfires Update

- Members then received an update from Paul Price and David Polley Department for Communities, on the **Departments' Housing Top Issues** to date, which included:-
  - 1. Social Newbuild starts
  - 2. Co-ownership
  - Programme for Social Reform
  - 4. Fundamental Review of Social Housing Allocations Policy
  - Reclassification of Northern Irelands Social Housing Providers 5.
  - Supporting People Delivery Strategy 6.
  - 7. Homelessness Strategy
  - St Patrick's Barracks, Ballymena 8.
  - 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. ERDF Investment Growth and Jobs Programme 2014-2020

Due to the General Elections scheduled for Thursday, 12th December 2019, it was agreed that the next Housing Council Meeting would be held on Thursday 5th December at 10.30 am in Corrs Corner

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

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