

MEETING:	Full Council
DATE:	Thursday, 4 February 2016
TIME:	10.30 am
VENUE:	Council Chamber, Barnsley Town Hall

AGENDA

1. Declarations of Personal Interests

To receive any declarations of interest of a personal nature from Members in respect of the items on this agenda.

2. Minutes (*Pages 7 - 18*)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 26th November, 2015.

3. Communications

To consider any communications to be submitted by the Mayor or the Chief Executive.

4. Questions by Elected Members

To consider any questions which may have been received from Elected Members and which are asked pursuant to Standing Order No. 10.

5. Questions relating to Joint Authority, Police and Crime Panel and Combined Authority Business

Minutes of the South Yorkshire Pensions Authority, South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority, Sheffield City Region Combined Authority, and Police and Crime Panel

Any Member of the Council shall have the opportunity to comment on any matters referred to in the following minutes.

The relevant representatives shall then be given the opportunity to respond to any comments made by Members on those minutes.

6. South Yorkshire Pensions Authority - 19th November, 2015 (*Pages 19 - 20*)

7. South Yorkshire Pensions Authority - 3rd December 2015 (*Pages 21 - 28*)

8. South Yorkshire Pensions Authority - 10th December, 2015 (*Pages 29 - 30*)

9. Police and Crime Panel - 27th November, 2015 (*Pages 31 - 38*)

10. South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority - 30th November, 2015 (*Pages 39 - 44*)

11. South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority - 4th January, 2016 (*Pages 45 - 52*)

12. Sheffield City Region Combined Authority - 7th December, 2015 (*Pages 53 - 58*)

Minutes of the Regulatory Boards

13. Planning Regulatory Board - 24th November, 2015 (Pages 59 - 62)
14. Planning Regulatory Board - 22nd December, 2015 (Pages 63 - 64)
15. General Licensing Regulatory Board - 23rd December, 2015 (Pages 65 - 70)
16. Audit Committee - 20th January, 2016 (to follow)
17. General Licensing Panel - 12th January, 2016 (Pages 71 - 72)
18. Appeals, Awards and Standards Panels - Various (Pages 73 - 74)

Minutes of the Health and Wellbeing Board

19. Health and Wellbeing Board - 8th December, 2015 (Pages 75 - 80)

Minutes of the Scrutiny Committees

20. Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 1st December, 2015 (Pages 81 - 88)
21. Safeguarding Scrutiny Committee - 19th January, 2016 (to follow)

Minutes of the Area Councils

22. Dearne Area Council - 16th November, 2015 (Pages 89 - 92)
23. North Area Council - 23rd November, 2015 (Pages 93 - 96)
24. North East Area Council - 3rd December, 2015 (Pages 97 - 100)
25. Penistone Area Council - 10th December, 2015 (Pages 101 - 104)
26. South Area Council - 18th December, 2015 (Pages 105 - 112)
27. Central Area Council - 11th January, 2016 (Pages 113 - 118)

Recommendations to Council

All reports detailed below are subject to Cabinet recommendation and are available to download from the Council's website. The Cabinet Spokesperson for the Service in question will respond to any comments or amendments concerning these minutes.

28. Housing Revenue Account - Draft Budget 2016/17 & Housing Capital Investment Programme 2016-2021 (Cab.16.12.2015/9)

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:-

- (i) that the Housing Revenue Account Draft Budget for 2016/17, as detailed in the report now submitted, be approved, with any final amendments/additions being delegated to the Cabinet Spokesperson for Place and the Executive Director for Place;
- (ii) that the Service Charge Proposals for 2016/17, as set out at Appendix D and Sections 3.13 and 3.16, be approved;
- (iii) that the 2016/17 Berneslai Homes Management Fee be approved with any final amendments/additions being delegated to the Service Director Culture, Housing and Regulation and the Executive Director Place in consultation with the Cabinet Spokesperson for Place;
- (iv) that the use of Berneslai Homes Ltd retained surplus as outlined in Section 3.27 be approved;
- (v) that the earmarking of Housing Revenue Account Working Balance as outlined in Sections 3.8 – 3.12 be approved;
- (vi) that the Council Housing Capital Investment Programme for 2020-21 be approved;
- (vii) that a rent reduction in line with Government's rent policy be approved; and
- (viii) that the Board of Berneslai Homes be authorised to vary any of the approved capital schemes subject to a maximum variation on existing budgets of £250,000, with variations above this amount carried out in agreement with the Executive Director Place and the Cabinet Spokesperson for Place.

29. Council Nominations to the Berneslai Homes Board (Cab. 13.1.2016/9)

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL that the nomination of Councillors Ennis and Makinson to the Berneslai Homes Board for a three year term be approved with immediate effect.

Minutes of the Cabinet Meetings

30. Cabinet Meeting - 18th November, 2015 (*Pages 119 - 120*)

31. Cabinet Meeting - 2nd December, 2015 (*Pages 121 - 126*)

32. Cabinet Meeting - 16th December, 2015 (*Pages 127 - 130*)

33. Cabinet Meeting - 13th January, 2016 (*Pages 131 - 134*)

(NB. No Cabinet decisions have been called in from these meetings)

Notice of Motion Submitted in Accordance with Standing Order No 6

34. Notice of Motion - Housing and Planning Bill

To be Moved by Councillor Miller – Seconded by Councillor Mitchell

This Council notes:

- That the Housing and Planning Bill is currently being debated in Parliament, and if passed will threaten the provision of affordable homes for rent and buy through:
 - forcing 'high-value' council homes to be sold on the open market
 - extending the right-to-buy to housing association tenants and
 - undermining section 106 requirements on private developers to provide affordable homes
- That there is no commitment in the Bill that affordable homes will be replaced like for like in the local area.
- That whilst measures to help (first-time buyers are welcome, the 'starter homes' proposals in the Bill will be unaffordable to families and young people on ordinary incomes in most parts of the country; will not preserve the taxpayer investment; and will be built at the expense of genuinely-affordable homes to rent and buy.
- That the Bill undermines localism by taking 32 new wide and open-ended powers for the Secretary over councils and local communities, including the ability to override local plans, to mandate rents for social tenants, and to impose a levy on stock-holding councils, violating the terms of the housing revenue account self-financing deal.
- That the Bill, whilst introducing some welcome measures to get to grips with rogue landlords, does not help with the high rents, poor conditions and insecurity affecting many of England's 11m private renters - including one in four families with children - and does nothing to help arrest the recent rise in homelessness.

This Council resolves:

- To analyse and report on the likely impact of the forced sale of council homes, the extension of right-to-buy and the 'starter homes' requirement on the local availability of affordable homes
- To analyse and report on any further likely impacts of the Bill on the local area
- To use this information to:
 - support the Leader of the Council in writing to the Secretary of State with the Council's concerns about the Bill

- set up an urgent meeting between the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive with the Local Members of Parliament to raise these concerns
- make public these concerns, including by publishing the above information on the council's website and promoting through the local press.

Schedule of Declarations - copy attached

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Diana Terris". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial 'D'.

Diana Terris
Chief Executive

Wednesday, 27 January 2016