



CABINET

Date: Wednesday, 24 July 2024
Time: 2.00pm,
Location: Council Chamber
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Members: Councillors: R Henry (Chair), J Thomas (Vice-Chair), S Barr,
L Briscoe, J Hollywell, C McGrath, L Rossati and S Speller

AGENDA

PART 1

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. MINUTES - 5 JUNE 2024

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 5 June 2024 for signature by the Chair.

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3. MINUTES OF OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY AND SELECT COMMITTEES

To note the following Minutes of meetings of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and Select Committees –

Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 11 June 2024
Community Select Committee – 13 June 2024

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4. RESIDENT ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY AND FRAMEWORK

The purpose of this report is to introduce a new Resident Engagement Strategy 2024-2027.

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5. HOUSING ANNUAL REPORT

To provide an overview of the Council housing performance between 2023 and 2024, including the Regulator of Social Housing Tenant Satisfaction Measures (TSM).

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6. HOMELESSNESS AND ROUGH SLEEPER STRATEGY 2025 - 2030

To present a new Stevenage Homelessness and Rough Sleeper Strategy for the period 2025 to 2030.

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7. TENANCY POLICY

To consider a revised Tenancy Policy 2024-2026 which will ensure the Council is compliant with the Regulator of Social Housing's Tenancy Consumer Standard.

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8. RESPONSIVE REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE POLICY

To consider a new draft Responsive Repairs and Maintenance Policy, which will be subject to further consultation with tenants and leaseholders, ahead of a final version being presented for approval later in the year.

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9. CORPORATE PERFORMANCE SUITE 2024/25, PRODUCTIVITY PLAN 2024/25 AND ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24

The purpose of this report is to highlight the Council's achievements for 2023/24 through its delivery of the Future Town Future Council Corporate Plan (2016-2024)

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10. 4TH QUARTER REVENUE MONITORING 2023/24 - GENERAL FUND AND HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT

To update Members on the 2023/24 outturn positions for the General Fund (GF), Housing Revenue Account (HRA), Capital, and the Council's Subsidiary Companies and to seek approval for changes to 2024/25 working revenue budgets.

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11. URGENT PART 1 BUSINESS

To consider any Part I business accepted by the Chair as urgent.

12. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider the following motions –

1. That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on

the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in Paragraphs 1 - 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as amended by Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

2. That Members consider the reasons for the following reports being in Part II and determine whether or not maintaining the exemption from disclosure of the information contained therein outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

13. MINUTES - 5 JUNE 2024

To approve as a correct record the Part II Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on 5 June 2024 for signature by the Chair.

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14. SOCIAL HOUSING DECARBONISATION PROGRAMME CONTRACT AWARD

To seek approval for the award of a new contract that will enable the continuation of Stevenage Borough Council's Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund (SHDF) Wave 2.1 Programme.

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15. TOWNS FUND - SKILLS AND ENTERPRISE

To provide an update on the skills and enterprise projects within the Government's Towns Fund programme being delivered by Stevenage Borough Council and Stevenage Development Board partners.

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16. INVESTING IN THE TOWN CENTRE ASSETS

To update members on the options for investing in the town centre assets.

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17. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

To consider any Part II business accepted by the Chair as urgent.

NOTE: Links to Part 1 Background Documents are shown on the last page of the individual report, where this is not the case they may be viewed by using the following link to agendas for Executive meetings and then opening the agenda for Wednesday, 24 July 2024 –

<http://www.stevenage.gov.uk/have-your-say/council-meetings/161153/>