

## Mid Devon District Council

### Decent and Affordable Homes Policy Development Group

Tuesday, 20 January 2015 at 2.15 pm  
Exe Room, Phoenix House

Next meeting  
Tuesday, 17 March 2015 at 2.15 pm

Those attending are advised that this meeting will be recorded

## Membership

Cllr P J Heal (Chairman)  
Cllr Mrs E M Andrews  
Cllr W J Daw (Vice Chairman)  
Cllr D J Knowles  
Cllr R F Radford  
Cllr Mrs J Rendle  
Cllr R Wright

## A G E N D A

*Members are reminded of the need to make declarations of interest prior to any discussion which may take place*

- 1      **Apologies and Substitute Members**  
To receive any apologies for absence and notice of appointment of substitutes.
- 2      **Public Question Time**  
To receive any questions relating to items on the Agenda from members of the public and replies thereto.
- 3      **Minutes** (*Pages 5 - 10*)  
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 25 November 2014 (copy attached).
- 4      **Chairman's Announcements**  
To receive any announcements that the Chairman may wish to make.
- 5      **General Fund Budget 2015/16 - update** (*Pages 11 - 14*)  
To receive an update report from the Head of Finance considering options in order for the Council to move towards a balanced budget for

2015/16.

- 6     **HRA Budget 2015/16** *(Pages 15 - 22)*  
To receive a report from the Head of Finance and Head of Housing providing an estimate of the budget required for the operation of the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) in 2015/16. This includes a proposal on the rent increase and a schedule of other fees and charges.
- 7     **Proposed Review of Tenancy Agreements** *(Pages 23 - 28)*  
To receive a report from the Housing Services Manager informing Members about the proposed review of Tenancy Agreements used by Housing Services when letting Council homes.
- 8     **Affordable Homes update** *(Pages 29 - 30)*  
To receive an update from the Head of Housing and Property Services regarding the projected delivery of Affordable Housing between 31 March 2014 and 1 April 2015.
- 9     **Special purpose vehicle**  
To receive a verbal update from the Head of Housing and Property Services.
- 10    **Identification of items for the next meeting - 17 March 2015**  
Members are asked to note that the following items are already identified in the work programme for the next meeting:
  - Financial Monitoring
  - Performance and Risk
  - ASB Policy & Procedures
  - Compliance with the HCA's Consumer Standards
  - Tenant Involvement Strategy
  - Tenant Involvement Policy

Note: This item is limited to 10 minutes. There should be no discussion on the items raised.

**Kevin Finan**  
Chief Executive  
Monday, 12 January 2015

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