



Meeting: WOLVERHAMPTON HOMES' BOARD MEETING

Date: 23 FEBRUARY 2018

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:-

Sue Roberts
Joy McLaren
Rita Potter
Mark Ward
Ann Bennett
Angela Davies
Kevin Fearon
Linda Middleton
Tersaim Singh
Zareena Russell

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: -

Shaun Aldis - Chief Executive

Jan Lycett - Director of Business Support

Angela Barnes - Assistant Director of Housing Options

Kevin Manning - Assistant Director of Property
Darren Baggs - Assistant Director of Housing

Simon Bamfield - Head of Commercial Services and Stock Investment

Christine Howles - Head of Communications

Jessica Whitehouse - Executive PA

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1570	Apologies	
	Apologies were received from Peter Knight, Councillor Paul Singh and Steve Finegan.	
1571	Kate Martin, Service Director, Housing (City of Wolverhampton Council)	
	Kate Martin is unable to attend this meeting due to being unwell.	



Kate will be invited to the next Board meeting.

1572 Declarations of interest

Any tenant related issues – Sue Roberts, Angela Davies, Joy McLaren, Linda Middleton and Mark Ward.

Noted with interest, allowed to remain and join in the debate.

1573 Minutes of the previous meeting – 8 December 2017

Agreed as a true record.

1574 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

1575 Heath Town Estate Update Report and short presentation

Simon Bamfield presented this item.

Parking and security

Simon advised the Board that there will be one parking space per 2 households due to space constraints. There are no plans to implement barriers or a monitoring programme. This will be reviewed once the work is complete. The CCTV at Heath Town is monitored regularly and is due to be extended as part of the programme of works.

The scope of work has increased as new risks have been identified whilst doing the work. This will hopefully be covered by the savings made elsewhere throughout the project.

In respect of materials, Simon assured the Board that in each element of the cladding, the material is non-flammable. Also confirmed that there are no water tanks on the roofs of flats in Heath Town and that the wrapping is going to have a water proofing element to it.

Simon informed the group that leaseholders have been engaged regarding the extra service charges they will be required to pay (approximately £40 - £50,000). We will be



serving a section 20 outlining these costs. A couple of leaseholders have opted for re-purchases.

The Board noted that it is good to see that the Strategic Construction Partnership is providing local employment.

Resolved:

The Board noted the progress achieved to date.

1576 Pre-court Protocol – debt claims

Darren Baggs presented this item.

Board members were concerned that the report gives the impression that we are suspending the use of legal intervention completely.

Resolved:

Further work to be done with regards to cost – benefit analysis. A report to go back to the Audit and Service Delivery Committee.

1577 Revenue Budget 2018/19

Jan Lycett presented this item.

The report detailed draft budgets for 2018/19; potential budgetary pressures and the need to continue to reduce our costs or increase our income over the next 4 years as part of the medium term financial strategy.

Resolved:

The Board approved the draft revenue budget for the financial year 2018-2019.

1578 Delivery Plan 2018/19

Jan Lycett presented this item.

Jan advised the Board that we will be embarking on the longterm business plan development shortly. The Delivery Plan will become the annual action plan used to deliver our business plan.



The Delivery Plan outlines the core priorities for the next year, discussed at the last Board strategy event.

The draft plan has been considered by CWC and is scheduled for approval at their next cabinet meeting.

Shaun Aldis commented that we will be planning more Board away days. Shaun would like to discuss the new customer services strategy at the next one.

Resolved:

The Board approved the Wolverhampton Homes Delivery Plan for the financial year 2018-2019.