



To: All Members of the Economic, Planning and Housing Committee

Councillor S Frost (Chair)  
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Councillor K Carruthers  
Councillor S Dillow  
Councillor L James  
Councillor A Konieczko  
Councillor S Mahaffey  
Councillor A McCormick  
Councillor A Peter  
Councillor J Vaux  
Councillor G Watts

Dear Councillor

**Economic, Planning and Housing Committee Thursday, 10 June 2021**

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Economic, Planning and Housing Committee on:

Date: Thursday, 10 June 2021  
Time: 6.30 pm  
Place: Virtual Meeting - Zoom Webinar

Yours sincerely

Russell O'Keefe  
Chief Executive

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## AGENDA FOR THE ECONOMIC, PLANNING AND HOUSING COMMITTEE

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Members are encouraged to obtain any points of clarification on the reports on the Agenda in advance of the meeting.

Members of the public will be invited to speak at the relevant item

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

**2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR**

To appoint a Vice-Chair to the Economic, Planning and Housing Committee for the 2021/22 municipal year.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**4. URGENT MATTERS**

To consider any items of business, other than those shown on this agenda and which, by reason of special circumstances to be stated at the meeting, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency.

**5. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4TH MARCH 2021** 7 - 10

The Chair will move that the minutes of the meeting be signed as a correct record. The only part of the minutes that can be discussed is their accuracy.

**6. REPORT OF THE POLICY SS9 TASK & FINISH GROUP** 11 - 40

Contact Member: Cllr Laura James

Report detailing the findings and recommendations of the SS9 Task & Finish group.

**7. BUILDING FIRE SAFETY MOTION**

Referral of a motion.

It was resolved at a full council meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021 to refer the following motion to the Economic, Planning and Housing committee for consideration.

Council agrees

- To work with the Fire Service to identify all tall buildings in the Borough, and to apply pressure on the owners of all tall buildings to undertake the relevant fire safety surveys;
- To effectively communicate with freeholders of tall buildings, and make clear the Council's expectation that they publish a clear timetable for residents, detailing any remedial action necessary and associated issues;
- To make clear to freeholders, that it is the Council's view that the current situation is unacceptable and that the costs associated with remedial action for fire safety should not be met by residents;
- With the fall of the Smith McPartland amendment in The House, for the Cabinet Member to write to our local Members of Parliament, asking for their support in this matter, lobbying the Government for the costs of remediation works to be met by the building owner and not passed onto residents;
- For the Cabinet Member to write to HM Government and ask for clarity on the availability of building safety funding schemes for Crown Heights, and any other affected buildings in Basingstoke and Deane; and
- That this motion is sent to the EPH committee to receive progress reports and task force updates.

## **8. HOUSING GREEN CONVERSION MOTION**

Referral of a motion.

It was resolved at a full council meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021 to refer the following motion to the Economic, Planning and Housing committee for consideration.

Council notes:

1. That if we are to succeed in making the Borough climate neutral by 2030, we need to make sure all the existing homes in the Borough become zero net carbon, as well as any new builds.
2. That massive changes are required to several tens of thousands of homes, with a multitude of owners from private individuals to housing associations.
3. That if we are to see the successful implementation of such changes in just eight years, an early start is required, and that we will need to be proactive in engaging with residents, housing associations, companies, other councils, and central government in achieving this.

Council agrees:-

- To work with Vivid and Sovereign Housing Associations to identify pilot estates for conversion of housing to low-carbon energy sources, with reduced energy and water consumption, improved

insulation, use of solar panels and home batteries, and other measures to reduce carbon emissions and improve energy performance;

- To work with other councils and partner agencies in promoting initiatives such as Solar Together Hampshire to help facilitate home conversions, and use the lessons from the pilot estates to help speed up the wider roll-out;
- That this issue is referred to the EPH committee for oversight, and the relevant portfolio-holder is tasked with drawing up an action plan; and
- That regular reports go to the Climate Emergency MAP who are ideally place for more detailed discussions on this issue.

## **9. REVIEW OF WORK PROGRAMME**

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The Committee is asked to note and review its Work Programme and to receive updates from the Lead Members of Task and Finish Groups.

## **10. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

To consider whether, in view of the nature of the remaining items on the agenda, any of them are likely to involve the disclosure of exempt or confidential information within the terms of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

## **11. CONFIDENTIAL/ EXEMPT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

Exempt information within the terms of Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Agenda item 6 – Report of the SS9 Task and Finish Group – Appendices 1, 2 and 4.