HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, 25th February 2021 at 5pm

Venue: Microsoft Teams

Report by Chairperson, Councillor Carrie Smyth

**In attendance:** Cllr Carrie Smyth (Chair), Cllr Kazi Ahmed, Cllr Emma Blain, Cllr Anne Colgan, Cllr Maurice Dockrell, Cllr Jim Gildea, Cllr Tom Kivlehan, Cllr Hugh Lewis, Cllr Frank McNamara, Cllr Justin Moylan, Cllr Denis O’Callaghan, Cllr Dave Quinn, Cllr Oisin O’Connor, Ms Grainne Fennell, Mr Sean O’Neill, Mr Mel Reynolds, and Mr Thomas Jospeh

**Officials Present:** Catherine Keenan (Director of Housing), Deirdre Baber (Senior Executive Officer, Housing Department), Helen Griffin (Senior Executive Officer, Housing Department), Carmel Donlon (Administrative Officer, Housing Department), James Ryan (Administrative Officer, Housing Department), Aingeal McMahon (Senior Staff Officer, Housing Department), Debbie Carey (Senior Staff Officer, Housing Department) and Kate McMahon (Assistant Staff officer, Housing Department)

1. **Confirmation of Minutes**
   No Business

2. **Matters arising from the Minutes**
   No Business

3. **Information submitted by members for written reply**
   No Business

4. **Directors Business**
   No Business

5. **Business referred from the Council**
   No Business

6. **Business referred from the Corporate Policy Group**
   No Business

7. **Correspondence**
   No Correspondence

8. **Current Work Programme**
   a) **Housing Allocation Scheme**
Ms. Catherine Keenan, Director of Housing, introduced the draft Allocations Scheme and thanked all the members of the sub-group, Housing SPC and the staff members who worked with the sub-group on preparing the draft scheme.

Ms. Deirdre Baber, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Department, gave a presentation to the Members on the updated draft Allocations Scheme following another meeting of the sub-group.

Following the presentation, a discussion took place during which Ms. Baber and Mr. Ryan responded to the Members’ questions.

It was proposed by Councillor Denis O’Callaghan and seconded by Councillor Jim Gildea to refer the draft Allocations Scheme to the County Council Meeting. This was AGREED.

9. **Items for consideration for Future Work Programme**
   
   No Business

10. **Any Other Business**
   
   No Business

11. **Date of Next Meeting**

   Wednesday, 24th March 2021

   Before the meeting concluded, the Chair thanked all the Housing officials, the sub-group and the SPC members for all the work they put in to preparation of the draft scheme.

   The meeting concluded at 6.20pm.

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