



RHONDDA CYNON TAF

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 20th November, 2014

Agenda Item 5

SUBJECT:
Housing Allocation Scheme

Cabinet Members Present County Borough Councillors:

A.Morgan (Chairman), P.Cannon, R.Bevan, A.Crimmings, M.Forey,
E.Hanagan, G.Hopkins, K.Montague and M.Webber

Other Members in Attendance County Borough Councillors:

C.Davies and E.Webster

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

- To approve the new Housing Allocation Scheme (2014) encompassing the policy changes detailed in the report as the method for allocating social housing in Rhondda Cynon Taf.
- To approve the proposal to change to a Choice Based Letting System as the way in which applicants apply for homes available through the Common Housing Register.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

- In accordance with Council's statutory obligations under the Housing Act, 1996 and the Homelessness Act, 2002 and the need to implement a fit for purpose Housing Allocation Scheme, which is critical to ensure the sustainable and efficient allocation of social housing in Rhondda Cynon Taf.
- The implementation of a Choice Based Lettings System will also improve the customer experience of applying for an being offered social housing and will help to create sustainable communities and make the best use of the social housing stock available in the borough.

3. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

- In January, 2011, the Service Director for Public Health & Protection and the Service Director for Commissioning, Business & Housing Systems commenced a consultation exercise on a new Housing Allocation Scheme and to transfer the management of the Common Housing Register back to the Council.

4. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:

None

5. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE):

N/A

6. (a) IS THE DECISION URGENT AND NOT TO BE THE SUBJECT OF ANY CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

YES NO ✓

Note: This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 5 clear working days after its publication i.e. **Wednesday, 3rd December, 2014** to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

6. (b) IF YES, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS URGENT:

N/A

6. (c) SIGNATURE OF MAYOR OR DEPUTY MAYOR OR HEAD OF PAID SERVICE CONFIRMING AGREEMENT THAT THE PROPOSED DECISION IS REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:

N/A

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(Mayor)

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(Dated)



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(Proper Officer)

24th November, 2014
(Dated)