



# **COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE**

## **AGENDA**

**Date: Wednesday, 22nd July, 2020**

**Time: 7.00 pm**

**Venue: Remote Meeting**

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**Communities Committee  
Wednesday, 22 July 2020**

**Members of the Committee:-**

Chairman: Councillor James Stanley (C)  
Vice-Chairman: Councillor Lynn Denham (L)

Councillor Alan Amos (C)  
Councillor Tracey Biggs (L)  
Councillor Marjory Bisset (G)  
Councillor Chris Cawthorne (L)  
Councillor Tom Collins (L)

Councillor Allah Ditta (C)  
Councillor Louise Griffiths (C)  
Councillor Stephen Hodgson (C)  
Councillor Mike Johnson (C)  
Councillor Matthew Lamb (L)

C = Conservative    G = Green    L = Labour    LCo = Labour and Co-operative  
LD = Liberal Democrat

**AGENDA**

**Part 1  
(ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION IN PUBLIC)**

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| 1. <b>Appointment of Substitutes</b>  | To receive details of any Members appointed to attend the meeting instead of a Member of the Committee. |
| 2. <b>Declarations of Interest</b>  | To receive any declarations of interest.  |
| 3. <b>Public Participation</b>  | To receive details of any Members appointed to attend the meeting instead of a Member of the Committee. |
| 4. <b>Minutes</b><br>Page(s): 1 - 6   | Of the meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 to be approved and signed.                           |
| 5. <b>Annual and Quarter 4<br/>Performance Report for<br/>Communities</b><br>Page(s): 7 - 28<br>Ward(s): All Wards<br>Contact Officer:    Joanna Payne,<br>Transformation<br>and Performance<br>Officer<br>Tel: 01905<br>722407 | That the Committee notes the Council's Annual and Quarter 4 performance for Communities for 2019/20.    |

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| <p>6. <b>Quarter 1 Performance Report For 2020/21</b><br/> Page(s): 29 - 48<br/> Ward(s): All Wards<br/> Contact Officer: Joanna Payne,<br/> Transformation<br/> and Performance<br/> Officer<br/> Tel: 01905<br/> 722407</p>   | <p>That the Committee notes the Council's Quarter 1 performance for 2020/21.</p>  |
| <p>7. <b>Update Report - Private Sector Housing Strategy (2015 - 2020) Year 5 Actions</b><br/> Page(s): 49 - 82<br/> Ward(s): All Wards<br/> Contact Officer: Ismene Broad,<br/> Property<br/> Standards and<br/> Enforcement<br/> Team Leader<br/> Tel: 01905<br/> 722525</p>                      | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the contents of this report are noted, and in particular the detailed Year 5 Progress Report at Appendix 1; and</li> <li>2. To extend the existing Private Sector Housing Strategy (2015 – 2020) at Appendix 2, up until 31st March 2021.</li> </ol> |
| <p>8. <b>Year 2 Update Report - Additional Resources To Improve Standards Within The Private Rented Sector</b><br/> Page(s): 83 - 92<br/> Ward(s): All Wards<br/> Contact Officer: Ismene Broad,<br/> Property<br/> Standards and<br/> Enforcement<br/> Team Leader<br/> Tel: 01905<br/> 722525</p> | <p>That the contents of this report are noted.</p>  |
| <p>9. <b>Worcester Community Trust (WCT) - Annual Update Report 2019/2020</b><br/> Page(s): 93 - 102<br/> Ward(s): All Wards<br/> Contact Officer: Lloyd Griffiths,<br/> Corporate<br/> Director, Homes<br/> and Communities<br/> Tel: 01905<br/> 722314</p>  | <p>That the contents of the report are noted and in particular, the WCT Annual Update Report 2019/2020 at Appendix 1.</p>   |

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| <p>10. <b>Community Recovery Strategy</b><br/> Ward(s): All Wards<br/> Contact Officer: Lloyd Griffiths,<br/> Corporate<br/> Director, Homes<br/> and Communities<br/> Tel: 01905<br/> 722314</p> | <p>Report to follow.</p>   |
| <p>11. <b>Any Other Business</b></p>  | <p>Which in the opinion of the Chairman is of sufficient urgency as to warrant consideration.</p>  |
| <p>12. <b>Items Involving the Disclosure of Exempt information</b></p>  | <p>The Committee is invited to pass the following resolution:-</p> <p>That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of information as defined in Schedule 12A of the said Act.</p> |

**PART II  
(ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION IN PRIVATE)**

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| <p>13. <b>Worcester Community Trust (WCT) - Annual Update Report 2019/2020</b><br/> Page(s): 103 - 104<br/> Ward(s): All Wards<br/> Contact Officer: Lloyd Griffiths,<br/> Corporate<br/> Director, Homes<br/> and Communities<br/> Tel: 01905<br/> 722314</p> | <p>To note Section 7 of the Worcester Community Trust report, which is considered as exempt due to the commercial nature of information provided.</p> |
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