

PART A

Report to: Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Date of meeting: 28 June 2018
Report of: Committee and Scrutiny Officer
Title: Membership for the Watford Community Housing Task Group (2018)

1.0 Summary

- 1.1 This report asks Overview and Scrutiny Committee to approve the membership for the Watford Community Housing Task Group.

2.0 Risks

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Nature of Risk	Consequence	Suggested Control Measures	Response <i>(Treat, tolerate, terminate, transfer)</i>	Risk Rating (the combination of severity and likelihood)
That councillors do not come forward indicating they wish to sit on the task group	The issues raised by a local resident about Watford Community Housing and its contractors will not be scrutinised by the council's non-executive councillors and will give the resident a negative impression of the council and its duty to its local residents.	To contact the group secretaries and group leaders asking them to encourage their members to participate in the task group.	Treat	6

3.0 **Recommendations**

- 3.1 that Overview and Scrutiny Committee approves the membership for the Watford Community Housing Task Group (2018).

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Report approved by: Head of Democracy and Governance

4.0 **Detailed proposal**

- 4.1 At Overview and Scrutiny Committee's meeting on 8 March 2018 the Committee and Scrutiny Officer presented a report which included a scrutiny proposal submitted by Councillors Asif Khan and Kareen Hastrick. The scrutiny committee agreed to the proposal. It was noted that the Committee and Scrutiny Officer would email non-executive councillors after the local and Mayoral elections.
- 4.2 The Committee and Scrutiny Officer emailed all non-executive councillors on 5 June 2018, informing them about the task group and asking them to let her know if they were interested in taking part in the review. A follow-up email was sent to the group secretaries on 13 June asking them to remind their colleagues about the task group.
- 4.3 At the time of writing this report the following councillors have expressed an interest in participating in the review –
- Councillor Asif Khan
 - Councillor Kareen Hastrick
 - Councillor Stephen Cavinder
 - Councillor Amanda Grimston
 - Councillor Aga Dychton

If there are any further responses after the publication of the agenda, the Committee and Scrutiny Officer will provide an update at the meeting.

- 4.4 The scrutiny committee is asked to review the nominations and agree the membership. The task group's chair will be elected at the first meeting. The chair will be required to provide regular updates to Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

5.0 Implications

5.1 Financial

- 5.1.1 There are no financial implications for this report as the resource needed for these roles is within the Council's approved budget.

5.2 Legal Issues (Monitoring Officer)

- 5.2.1 The Head of Democracy and Governance comments that there are no legal implications in this report.

5.3 Equalities/Human Rights

- 5.3.1 There are no equalities or human rights issues as a result of this report.

5.4 Staffing

- 5.4.1 The committee and scrutiny team will provide support to the task group. There are no staffing implications.

5.5 Accommodation

- 5.5.1 There are no accommodation implications as a result of this report.

5.6 Community Safety/Crime and Disorder

- 5.6.1 There are no community safety implications as a result of this report.

5.7 Sustainability

- 5.7.1 There are no sustainability implications as a result of this report.

Appendices

None

Background Papers

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report

File Reference

None