



Housing Committee 27 June 2016

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Title	Members Items
Report of	Head of Governance
Wards	All
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Enclosures	None
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Summary

The report provides detail of the Members Items submitted for the Housing Committee to consider at its meeting of 27 June 2016.

Recommendation

That the Housing Committee's instructions are requested in relation to the items submitted by Members.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

1.1. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS ITEMS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED:

Cllr Adam Langleben

Ladywell Pop-up Village: Using Modern Methods of Construction to tackle temporary accommodation

The council currently has an overspend on expensive temporary accommodation for homeless households. In order to try and reduce the council's spend in this area I ask the committee to look at LB Lewisham's Ladywell Pop-up Village project that utilises a vacant site earmarked for regeneration for temporary accommodation for 96 people for up to 4 years. The project uses fastbuild modular architecture with off-site construction delivering 24 homes and 8 units for commercial and civic use. The units are de-mountable and can be re-used on other sites in different configurations as needed. LB Lewisham believe the project will deliver a reduction in their spend on temporary accommodation.

I ask that the committee receive a briefing on this project in order to assess whether LB Barnet could do something similar.

CIIr Ross Houston

Local Lettings Policy

To ask the Housing Committee to consider introducing a local lettings policy to ensure that local people benefit first and foremost from local regeneration and the council's plans for developing new homes.

As part of this request I ask that the committee look at best practice from other London boroughs, in particular LB Islington where local residents on any council estate that is being regenerated or where infill development is taking place are offered any new homes being built there first, based on need through their housing allocations scheme. In subsequent rounds once housing need is filled, new homes will be reserved for other local residents living on the estate who wish to move to a new property of the same size. After that remaining homes are let according to the council's housing allocations policy.

see: http://www.islington.gov.uk/publicrecords/library/Housing/Information/Guidance/2012-2013/(2013-03-28)-Local-lettings.pdf

Cllr Kath McGuirk

Affordable home ownership

To ask for a report to come to the next Housing Committee setting out what affordable home ownership products are available for residents in Barnet, and assessing their

	affordability for the different household income levels in the Borough.
Cllr Tim Roberts	Brent Cross North
	To ask for the Housing Committee to be given an update on the progress of the Brent Cross North development in relation to the housing element. Please could the update include details of the project timelines, and how the project will feed in to the council's affordable housing strategy.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 No recommendations have been made. The Housing Committee is requested to give consideration and provide instruction.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 Not applicable.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Post decision implementation will depend on the decision taken by the Committee.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 When matters raised through a Member's Item are progressed, they will need to be evaluated against the Corporate Plan and other relevant policies.
- 5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)
- 5.2.1 None in the context of this report.

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

5.3.1 The Council's Constitution Responsibility for Functions, section 6 illustrates that a Member, including appointed substitute Members of a Committee may have one item only on an agenda that he/she serves. Members items must be within the term of reference of the decision making body which will consider the item.

5.3.2 There are no legal references in the context of this report.

5.4 Risk Management

5.4.1 None in the context of this report.

5.5 Equalities and Diversity

5.5.1 Member's Items allow Members of a Committee to bring a wide range of issues to the attention of a Committee in accordance with the Council's Constitution. All of these issues must be considered for their equalities and diversity implications.

5.6 Consultation and Engagement

5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 Email to Governance Service.