



# STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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## HOUSING COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Housing Committee will be held on **TUESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 2021** in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud at **7.00 pm**

Kathy O'Leary  
Chief Executive

Please Note: The meeting is being held in the Council Chamber at Stroud District Council and will be streamed live on the Council's [YouTube Channel](#). A recording of the meeting will be published onto the [Council's website](#). The whole of the meeting will be recorded except where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of press and public.

**Due to current Covid-19 regulations a maximum of 6 members of public will be permitted in the Council Chamber at any one time, if you would like to attend this meeting please contact [democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk).**

## A G E N D A

1. **APOLOGIES**  
To receive apologies of absence.
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**  
To receive declarations of interest.
3. **MINUTES (Pages 5 - 12)**  
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2021 as a correct record.
4. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**  
The Chair of the Committee will answer questions from members of the public submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.

### **DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF QUESTIONS Noon on Thursday 28 October 2021**

Questions must be submitted to the Chief Executive, Democratic Services, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud and can be sent by email to [democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk)

5. **REVISED TENANCY & ESTATES MANAGEMENT POLICY (Pages 13 - 36)**  
To effectively manage tenancies and the environment in our communities.
6. **REVISED HOMESEAKERPLUS ALLOCATIONS POLICY (Pages 37 - 92)**  
To seek the Committee's approval for the adoption of the revised HomeseakerPlus Allocations Policy following a consultation exercise.
7. **MOBILITY SCOOTERS POLICY IN COUNCIL PROPERTIES (Pages 93 - 108)**  
To inform Housing Committee of a new Mobility Scooters Policy for all users in Stroud District Council Housing.
8. **CORRECTIVE ACTION TO STRENGTHEN THE COUNCIL'S OUT OF HOURS CALL OUT PROVISION (Pages 109 - 118)**  
To inform Housing Committee of the corrective action being undertaken to strengthen operational procedures in the management of the Out of Hours Service provision.
9. **VOLUNTEERING POLICY (INDEPENDENT LIVING) (Pages 119 - 132)**  
To inform Committee of a new Volunteering Policy for Independent Living to provide a structure for our Volunteers to work within.
10. **PET POLICY (Pages 133 - 146)**  
To review the Pet Policy, to cover pets owned by Stroud District Council Tenants.
11. **GLOUCESTERSHIRE AND SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE WARM & WELL PARTNERSHIP RENEWAL (Pages 147 - 150)**  
To update members on the Gloucestershire & South Gloucestershire Warm & Well Scheme and to recommend renewal of the partnership for up to a further 5 years.
12. **PROGRESS UPDATE ON KEY ACTION PLANS (CLEANER ESTATES & SERVICE STANDARDS) (Verbal Report)**  
To provide a verbal update.
13. **MEMBER REPORTS**
  - (a) Tenant Representatives (Verbal Report)
  - (b) Housing Review Panel Update (Verbal Report)
  - (c) Retrofit/Carbon Reduction Task and Finish Group (Verbal Report)
  - (d) Tenant Engagement and Empowerment Task and Finish Group (Verbal Report)
  - (e) Housing Repairs and Voids Task and Finish Group (Verbal Report)
14. **WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 151 - 152)**  
To consider the work programme.
15. **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**  
See Agenda Item 4 for deadlines for submission.

## **Members of Housing Committee**

### **Councillor Mattie Ross (Chair)**

Councillor Paula Baker  
Councillor Laurie Davies  
Councillor Katrina Davis  
Councillor Colin Fryer  
Councillor Lindsey Green

### **Councillor Christopher Jockel (Vice-Chair)**

Councillor Nicholas Housden  
Councillor Steve Hynd  
Councillor Jenny Miles  
Councillor Loraine Patrick  
Councillor Lucas Schoemaker

## **Tenant Representatives**

### **Becky Adams**

Trish Betteley (Deputy)

### **Mike Ritcher**

Carole Wise (Deputy)