



# STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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## HOUSING COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Housing Committee will be held on **TUESDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 2023** 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.

If you wish to attend this meeting, please contact [democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk). This is to ensure adequate seating is available in the Council Chamber.

### AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES**  
To receive apologies for absence.
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**  
To receive declarations of interest.
3. **MINUTES (Pages 5 - 12)**  
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27 June 2023.
4. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**  
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 Wednesday, 13 September 2023**

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. **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**  
See Agenda Item 4 for deadlines for submission.

6. **REVISED COUNCIL PLAN (Pages 13 - 34)**  
To present the progress made against the Council Plan 2021-2026 to date, and to approve the refreshed Council Plan.
7. **EXTENSION OF PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING RENEWAL 2018-23 POLICY (Pages 35 - 110)**  
To recommend to Committee the adoption of the current Private Sector Housing Renewal Policy 2018-23 for a further 12 months.
8. **BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2023/24 Q1 (Pages 111 - 120)**  
To present the 2023/24 forecast outturn position against the General Fund and Housing Revenue Account (HRA) revenue budgets and Capital Programme that the Committee is responsible for, in order to give an expectation of possible variances against budget.
9. **DAMP & MOULD POLICY (Pages 121 - 138)**  
The purpose of this report is to present a new Damp and Mould Policy to replace the existing 2017 Damp & Mould Policy.
10. **LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING FUND (Pages 139 - 142)**  
Following the Committee decision on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023 approving the submission of a capital bid to DLUHC for the purchase of accommodation to be held in the HRA for people fleeing conflict, a further short-notice bid opportunity arose in June 2023, with a bid deadline of July 2023. This report is to formally report the bid to Committee and request approval to the additional capital budget required.
11. **ASBESTOS POLICY (Pages 143 - 180)**  
To update members on the amendments to the Asbestos Policy.
12. **MOBILITY SCOOTER POLICY (Pages 181 - 196)**  
To inform Housing Committee of the revised Mobility Scooters Policy for all users in Stroud District Council Housing and Leaseholders.
13. **UPDATED TENANCY CONDITIONS (Pages 197 - 218)**  
To update members of the proposed changes to the Tenancy Agreement terms & conditions and to seek authority to issue a formal notice to tenants.
14. **MEMBER / OFFICER REPORTS**
  - (a) Tenant Representatives (Verbal Report)
  - (b) Performance Monitoring (Pages 219 - 226)
  - (c) New Homes Programme (Pages 227 - 230)
  - (d) Renters' Reform Bill (Pages 231 - 240)
  - (e) Progress update on Key action plans (Cleaner Estates & Service Standards and tenant engagement) (Pages 241 - 242)
  - (f) Homelessness Services (Pages 243 - 244)
15. **WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 245 - 246)**  
To consider the work programme.

## **Members of Housing Committee**

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

Councillor Natalie Bennett  
Councillor Stephen Davies  
Councillor Katrina Davis  
Councillor Colin Fryer  
Councillor Lindsey Green

### **Councillor Lucas Schoemaker (Vice-Chair)**

Councillor Christopher Jockel  
Councillor Gary Luff  
Councillor Jenny Miles  
Councillor Loraine Patrick  
Councillor Rich Wilsher

## **Tenant Representatives**

Becky Adams

Mike Richter