23. 2. 2011

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE 1 FEBRUARY 2011

A meeting of the Housing and Community Facilities Committee was held in Committee Room 1, Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street on Tuesday 1 February 2011 at 9am.

 PRESENT:
 Councillor Glenn Livingstone (Chair), Councillors Ngaire Button, Yani Johanson, Aaron Keown, and Chrissie Williams.

 APOLOGIES:
 An apology for lateness was received and accepted from Councillor Keown.

 Councillor Keown arrived at 10.38am.

The Committee reports that:

PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

1. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

The Chair called for nominations for the role of Deputy Chairperson for the Committee.

Councillor Yani Johanson was nominated by Councillor Button, seconded by Councillor Williams. There being no further nominations, Councillor Johanson was duly elected.

2. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

Nil.

3. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE 2010-2013 – DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE.

This item will be considered by the Council at its meeting on 23 February 2011.

4. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETINGS SCHEDULE

The Committee **received** the information.

5. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES: OVERVIEW

Community Support Unit Manager Carolyn Gallagher presented an overview of housing and community facilities. The document, "City Housing and Community Facilities" was tabled. The Committee **received** the information.

6. HOUSING WORKING PARTY – ONGOING ISSUES REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INCOMING COUNCIL AS AT 8 OCTOBER 2010 AND UPDATED DECEMBER 2010

The purpose of this report was to provide the Housing and Community Facilities Committee 2010-2013 with a copy of the Housing Working Party - Ongoing Issues Report and recommendations for Incoming Council as at 8 October 2010 and updated December 2010, as a result of discussions between staff and the Chair of the Housing Working Party.

The Committee considered this document in terms of formulating the programme of work for the Committee, focusing on the top priorities.

Housing and Community Facilities Committee 1.2.2011

6 Cont'd

The Committee **received** the Ongoing Issues Report and recommendations for incoming Council from the 2007-10 Housing Working Party for information and as a basis for formulating the Committee's programme of work.

7. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE: PROPOSED PROGRAMME OF WORK

7.1 Proposed Programme of Work

7.1.1. Canterbury Earthquake.

The consensus of the Committee was that, once the Council's role and required level of involvement has been clearly established in relation to social housing issues arising from the Canterbury earthquake, the Committee should give further consideration to this matter as a priority.

7.1.2. Community Facilities.

The Committee considered the development of an implementation plan for community facilities a priority.

7.1.3. Affordable Housing.

The Committee's attention was drawn to the work carried out by the Housing Working Party during the last term of the Council which addressed a range of affordable housing issues. In order to facilitate development the Committee came to the view that options could include future partnerships with Government agencies and private investors, taking into consideration existing research and examples of successful overseas schemes. The Committee recognised that the Canterbury earthquake has provided an opportunity for inner-city and suburban renewal which could encompass the aims of the Committee. The Committee was also supportive of identifying measures to encourage home ownership.

7.1.4. Proposed Tour of Council Housing Stock/Community Facilities

As an initial step in formulating the Committee's programme of work, it was **decided** that separate tours of both the Council's housing stock and community facilities be arranged for the Committee, utilising the meeting dates scheduled for the Housing and Community Facilities Committee. An invitation is to be extended to all Councillors to participate in the tours.

7.1.5. Other Issues to Consider

- Housing Policy (Operational)
- Homelessness
- Youth Mentoring for home ownership
- Goulding Ave proposal.

8. NEXT MEETING

It was **decided** that the Committee meet between 9–10am on Tuesday 1 March 2011 in the Civic Offices, and then undertake a tour of the Council's housing stock.

The meeting **concluded** at 11.14am.

CONFIRMED THIS 23RD DAY OF FEBRUARY 2011

MAYOR