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| Time began | 1.00pm |
| Time ended | 1.10pm |

Housing and Advice Cabinet Member Meeting 4 June 2014

Present: Councillor Shanker

16/13 Apologies

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Pegg.

17/13 Late Items Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

18/13 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations.

19/13 Minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2014

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2014 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

20/13 New Homelessness Strategy: Consultation

A report of the Strategic Director of Adults, Health and Housing which stated that the Council's duty towards the homeless was a statutory duty which was set out in the Housing Act 1996 (as amended by the Homelessness Order 2002). This required local authorities to ensure that advice and assistance to those threatened with homelessness was provided free of charge. The Homelessness Order 2002 stated that all local authorities must have a strategy for preventing homelessness in their area.

Derby's last Homelessness Strategy was written in 2010 and was now ready for renewal and review. As part of the process, the Council needed to consult widely to ensure that the views of all stakeholders were taken into account.

The objectives of the consultation were to:

- Disseminate information about changes since the last strategy to the extent of homelessness and the demand for and resourcing of homelessness services.
- Consult on the development of the Council's strategic priorities for the period 2015 – 2109 and how these would be achieved.

The proposed consultation process was provided in the supporting paper to the report.

The Cabinet Member requested that overview and scrutiny be consulted and involved at an early stage in the process and that Derby Homes, Derby City Mission and the voluntary sector be added to the consultees. He also requested that the findings of the homelessness topic review undertaken last year be fed into the consultation process.

Resolved

- 1. To approve the consultation process for the formulation of the new homelessness strategy.**
- 2. To consult and involve overview and scrutiny at an early stage in the process.**
- 3. To include Derby Homes, Derby City Mission and the voluntary sector in the list of consultees.**
- 4. To feed in the findings of the homelessness topic review undertaken last year in to the consultation process.**

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