

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Special Housing, Community Planning & Emergency Services Strategic Policy Committee meeting held in the Cooley Room, County Hall, Dundalk on Friday 19th May, 2017 at 2.00pm

Present: Cllrs. Joanna Byrne (Chair), Maeve Yore, Liam Reilly, Pearse McGeough,

Mr. Garrett Weldon, Social Inclusion Rep, Mr. Aubrey Halley, Voluntary Rep PPN, Mr. Colm O'Hanrahan, Trade Union Rep

Officials: Joe McGuinness, Director of Services
Aoife Lawler, Senior Executive Officer
Brona O'Reilly, Administrative Officer

Apologies: Cllr. Jim Tenanty, Cllr. Paul Bell, Cllr. Kevin Meenan, Cllr. Tommy Byrne, Amanda Branigan, Acting Co. Librarian

1. Draft Allocation Scheme

J. McGuinness, Director of Service gave a brief introduction to the preparation of Draft Allocation Scheme made under Section 22 of the Housing (Miscellaneous) Act 2009 and the Social Housing Affordable Regulations 2011. He advised the members of the background of same and this was followed by a presentation by Ms. B. O'Reilly, Administrative Officer.

The members noted the draft presented and discussed an number of specific matters including:

- Notification of the change in the circumstances, to be given in writing
- Designation of Disability Application
- Area of change within 12 months
- Refusal of Offers of Long Term Lease, RAS and Approved Housing Bodies Offers
- Transfer of victims of anti social behaviour
- HAP inspections
- Rent Pressure Zones

- A number of typographical errors were also noted and pointed out for correction

After considerable debate on the proposal of Chairman Cllr. J. Byrne and seconded by Cllr. M. Yore the committee endorsed the Draft as amended and supported its passage to full Council.

2. Next meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting that it would be considered to have a presentation from the Insolvency Agency and also a presentation from the Housing Agency in relation to HAP implementation.

Confirmed at Meeting held on: 11 Sept 2017

Signed: Joseph Byrne
Chairperson