

# MINUTES

**Meeting: Housing Committee**  
**Date: Tuesday 2 April 2019**  
**Time: 10.00 am**  
**Place: Committee Room 5, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA**

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**Present:**

Sian Berry AM (Chair)  
Tom Copley AM (Deputy Chair)  
Tony Devenish AM  
Nicky Gavron AM  
David Kurten AM

**1 Apologies for Absence and Chair's Announcements (Item 1)**

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Andrew Boff AM and Leonie Cooper AM.

**2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)**

2.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

**2.2 Resolved:**

**That the list of offices held by Assembly Members, as set out in the table at Agenda Item 2, be noted as disclosable pecuniary interests.**

**3 Summary List of Actions (Item 3)**

3.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

3.2 **Resolved:**

**That the outstanding actions arising from previous meetings of the Committee be noted.**

#### **4 Housing First in London (Item 4)**

4.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions on Housing First in London to the following invited guests:

- Mark Taylor, Assistant Director of Services, The Single Homeless Project;
- Stuart Nevill, Chief Executive Officer, Single Person's Emergency Accommodation in Richmond;
- Hannah Gousy, Policy and Public Affairs Manager, Crisis; and
- David Eastwood, Rough Sleeping Lead Manager, Housing and Land, Greater London Authority (GLA).

4.2 A transcript of the discussion is attached at **Appendix 1**.

4.3 During the course of the discussion, Members requested that David Eastwood, GLA, provide a summary of the breakdown of funding provided to homeless services across London.

4.4 During the course of the discussion, Members requested that Hannah Gousy, Crisis, provide a breakdown of the number of people who are sleeping rough compared to the number of people in the hostel system.

4.5 The Committee agreed to write to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) regarding why the GLA were not selected to receive funding for a Housing First pilot; and the Mayor regarding whether the feedback and suggestions from the Housing First pilots have been sent to the MHCLG.

4.6 **Resolved:**

**(a) That the report and discussion be noted.**

**(b) That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with party Group Lead Members, to agree any output from the discussion.**

#### **5 Housing Committee Work Programme (Item 5)**

5.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

5.2 **Resolved:**

- (a) That the summary of work completed during the 2018/19 Assembly year be noted.**
- (b) That the provisional schedule of meetings for the 2019/20 Assembly year, which is subject to agreement at the Annual Meeting of the London Assembly on 2 May 2019.**
- (c) That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with Party Group Lead Members to agree;**
  - (i) Any further outputs relating to the Committee's investigations in the 2018/19 Assembly year; and**
  - (ii) Arrangements for any site visits, informal meetings or engagement activities before the Committee's next formal meeting.**

## **6 Date of Next Meeting (Item 6)**

6.1 Subject to confirmation at the Annual Meeting of the London Assembly on 2 May 2019, the next meeting of the Housing Committee was scheduled for Wednesday, 8 May 2019 at 2pm in the Committee Room 5, City Hall.

## **7 Any Other Business the Chair Considers Urgent (Item 7)**

7.1 There were no items of business that the Chair considered to be urgent.

## **8 Close of Meeting (Item )**

8.1 The meeting ended at 12.03 pm.

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Chair

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Housing Committee  
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