

**LANDLORD SERVICES COMMITTEE (CABINET WORKING GROUP) - 6  
NOVEMBER 2013**

**19. TENANTS CASHBACK SCHEME**

Members considered the draft report of the Leader that advised on the outcome of consideration by the Executive Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the recommendations of the Assistant Director Housing and Regeneration following the outcome of three pilot tenant cashback schemes: Together Housing Group; Home Housing Group and Bromford Housing Group.

The Assistant Director Housing and Regeneration explained that at the meeting of the Executive Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 3 October 2013 concern was expressed in relation to skills training for tenants as set down within the report, attached at Appendix A, and made reference to his response as detailed in the covering report.

A discussion ensued relating to: the training skill set; apprenticeship opportunities; the provision of skills training locally and related issues, particularly as had been described at paragraph 5.3 of the Assistant Director's report (Appendix A) and the concerns that had been previously been raised by Members of the Executive Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

The Assistant Director Housing and Regeneration responded to questions and provided clarification of the issues raised, referencing detail as set down at paragraphs 6.3 and 6.4 of his original report.

At the conclusion of the discussion, it was agreed that a more detailed report would be beneficial that gave details of the proposals, referred to in the body of the report relating to the provision of training in basic DIY skills for tenants, including financial costings.

RESOLVED: A. That, as a consequence of the discussion on this item it was agreed that the following comments be considered by Cabinet:

1. the recommendation to Cabinet, "That a recommendation Tenant Cashback Scheme is not introduced" be supported.
2. the Assistant Director Housing and Regeneration prepare a more detailed report on 'Training Schemes for Tenants'.
3. the consideration of the report, referred to at 2 above, by the Executive Overview and Scrutiny Committee too, be supported.