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**TO: COUNCILLORS I MORAN, Y GAGEN, V CUMMINS, G DOWLING, D EVANS,
J WILKIE, K WILKIE AND A YATES**

Dear Councillor,

Please find attached Appendices marked to follow for the meeting of the **CABINET** being held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, 52 DERBY STREET, ORMSKIRK L39 2DF** today **TUESDAY, 8 JUNE 2021 at 7.00 PM.**

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JSL', written over a faint circular stamp or watermark.

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AGENDA
(Open to the Public)

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MINUTE OF EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 27 MAY 2021

11. Revised Tenancy Policy

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director of Place and Community as contained on pages 23 to 36 of the Book of Reports, which was to consider the revised Tenancy Policy.

The Senior Housing Officer outlined the report, explaining that the Tenancy Policy had been revised further to correspondence from the Housing Minister, which outlined the succession rights to Council housing tenancies, ensuring that Council housing is used both effectively and fairly.

He outlined the revised changes made to the Tenancy Policy document. He also explained that following the review, that whilst adequate procedures had been in place in respect of succession, they had not previously been sufficiently documented within the Tenure Policy.

In discussion a comment was raised that it would have been useful for Councillors to have had a version of the revised policy showing tracked changes.

- RESOLVED:
- A. That the report and content of the revised Tenancy Policy be noted.
 - B. That Executive Overview & Scrutiny Committee fully support the revised Tenancy Policy.

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12. The Planning Service Review

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director of Place and Community as contained on pages 37 to 76 of the Book of Reports, which provided Members with an update on the outcome of the Planning Services Review and to agree that the recommendations are taken forward and implemented.

The Head of Growth and Development outlined the report and explained that following feedback received from Members and some Parish Councils, it was suggested that a review of the Planning Service would be useful. He also explained that the process had been included in the SORP review, during which time the Government announced the 'Planning for the Future consultation' which proposed significant changes to the planning process.

He went on to inform that Red Quadrant was appointed to undertake the review, which took part in three stages. The review has now concluded and overall 81 recommendations had been made covering a number of areas, which will improve the service further and lead to a better customer experience.

He explained that an Officer Working Group will be looking at the recommendations to take them forward in order to prioritise and implement. He also explained that the information from the Officer Working Groups would be presented to Cabinet in Spring 2022.

The Portfolio Holder of Planning joined the meeting to respond to questions raised by Members of the Committee.

In discussion comments and questions were raised in respect of:

- Planning Training
- Appointment System for Members
- IT Service / Self Service
- Enforcement
- Ward Councillor /Neighbour Disputes
- Procurement of Red Quadrant
- The necessity to use consultants for process mapping
- Timescales / Action Plan

RESOLVED: A. That the Planning Services Review report be considered and noted.

B. That the Committee request that an Action Plan detailing the milestones and outcomes of the Planning Service Review, with regard to each of the 81 recommendations, be presented to the

next meeting in September. The frequency of the presentation of the Action Plan, is to be agreed at the Committee meeting in September.

(The Chairman thanked the Portfolio Holder of Planning for his attendance.

The Portfolio Holder of Planning announced that the Head of Growth and Development and the Strategic Planning, Regeneration and Implementation Manager were both leaving the Council to move to new positions. The Committee thanked them for all their work and wished them well in their future.)