Council



#### Time and Date

2.00 pm on Tuesday, 1st December, 2015

#### **Place**

Council Chamber - Council House

- 1. **Apologies**
- 2. Minutes of the meeting held on 13 October 2015 (Pages 5 - 14)
- 3. **Coventry Good Citizen Award**

To be presented by the Lord Mayor and Judge Griffith-Jones, Honorary Recorder

- 4. **Correspondence and Announcements of the Lord Mayor**
- 5. **Petitions**
- **Declarations of Interest** 6.

### Matters Left for Determination by the City Council/Recommendations for the **City Council**

7. Licensing Act 2003 - Revised Statement of Licensing Policy (Pages 15 -52)

From the Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure Sports and Parks meeting, 12 November 2015

Gambling Act 2005 - Revised Statement of Gambling Policy (Pages 53 -8. 100)

From the Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure Sports and Parks meeting, 12 November 2015

It is anticipated that the following matters will be referred as Recommendations from Cabinet 26 November 2015. The reports are attached and the relevant Recommendations will be circulated separately.

- 9. Medium Term Financial Strategy 2016-19 (Pages 101 - 118)
- 10. **Staffing Reductions and Voluntary Redundancy** (Pages 119 - 128)
- 11. Continuing as a Marmot City (Pages 129 - 138)

## 12. European Funding Programme 2014-20 - Coventry City Council First Round Applications (Pages 139 - 148)

#### Items for Consideration

13. Amendments to Allocation of Executive Functions Within Cabinet (Pages 149 - 152)

Report of the Leader

14. **Appointments of the City Council - Outside Bodies** (Pages 153 - 158)

Report of the Executive Director of Resources

#### 15. Question Time

- (a) Written Question There are no written questions
- (b) Oral Questions to Chairs of Scrutiny Boards/Chair of Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee
- (c) Oral Questions to Chairs of other meetings
- (d) Oral Questions to Representatives on Outside Bodies
- (e) Oral Questions to Cabinet Members and Deputy Cabinet Members on any matter

#### 16. Statements

#### 17. **Debates**

17.1 To be moved by Councillor Maton and seconded by Councillor Abbott:

This Council notes:

That the Housing and Planning Bill is currently being debated in Parliament, and if passed would threaten the provision of affordable homes for rent and buy through:

- \* forcing 'high-value' council homes to be sold on the open market
- \* extending the right-to-buy to housing association tenants and
- \* undermining section 106 requirements on private developers to provide affordable homes

The Bill has no commitment that Government will provide resources to allow affordable homes to be replaced on a like-for-like in the local area. The 'starter homes' proposals in the Bill will be unaffordable to families and young people on ordinary incomes in most parts of the country. These homes will not preserve the taxpayers' investment and will be built at the expense of genuinely-affordable homes to rent and buy.

This Bill undermines local decision making by taking new wide and open-ended powers for the Secretary of State over councils and local communities, including the ability to override local plans and to mandate rents for social tenants. And, it does nothing to tackle high rents, poor conditions and insecurity affecting many of England's 11m private renters (including one in four families with children) and does nothing to help arrest the recent rise in homelessness.

#### This Council resolves:

- To analyse and report on the likely impact of the forced sale of social homes in Coventry and the extension of right-to-buy and the 'starter homes' requirement on the local availability of affordable homes.
- To work with housing agencies and charities in Coventry to identify any further likely impacts of the Bill on the local area.
- To meet with local MPs to make clear the implications for Coventry citizens and to discuss future action.
- To make public the implications of this proposed legislation and to stimulate further debate about the future of housing policy in Coventry.

Chris West, Executive Director, Resources, Council House Coventry

Monday, 23 November 2015

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