

SERVICES SELECT COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the committee took place on 19th June at which the following were discussed.

A minor change to the Work Plan was reported.

The Members IT Working Group will continue to meet with Cllr Hogarth joining the Group when it considers the Disaster Recovery Plan.

Members Under Occupation of Social Housing Group and Members Universal Credit group will continue to meet with the same membership .for the Municipal year 2012/13.

Universal Credit update – the Group Manager – Financial Services and the Chairman of the Working Group gave verbal updates. There were also contributions from the Vice Chairman of the Working Group and the Director of Corporate Resources. It is hoped that the final recommendations to the Committee will be presented at the September meeting.

Localisation for Support of Council Tax – Verbal updated were given by the Group Managed – Financial Services, the Leader of the Council and the Director of Corporate Resources. The recommendation was made to Cabinet for the proposed tax scheme for its consideration and recommendation to full Council.

Under Occupation of Social Housing – the Head of Housing and Communications presented the final report and Action Plan. Within the comprehensive list of action points, she noted five which were unique and innovative proposals. It was agreed to look into the possibility of sending a personalised letter to all under occupied properties. It was agreed that the strategy should be recommended to Cabinet and if accepted be included in the Committee's Work Plan. The Committee congratulated the Housing Policy Manager on all the work he had put into the report.

Following a meeting of P & G which recommended that Services Select should consider the matter the Human Resources Manager presented a comprehensive report dealing with staff absence rates. Members were pleased with the report, referring one question to the Director of Corporate Resources and proposing that the report should be referred back to P & G.

Waste and Recycling – Weekly Collection Scheme and H and S Audit of Waste and Recycling Schemes. A report which had previously been considered by Cabinet was noted.

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Committee Chairman