

HOUSING CASES REVIEW SUB COMMITTEE

ABERDEEN, 2 November, 2009. - minute of meeting of the HOUSING CASES REVIEW SUB COMMITTEE. Present:- Councillor Malone, Chairperson and Councillors Cooney, Farquharson (substitute for Councillor Donnelly), Hunter, Kiddie, McDonald and Robertson.

Also in attendance:- Councillor Boulton was in attendance as a local member regarding Housing Case 7374; and Councillor John Stewart was in attendance as a local member regarding Housing Case 7672.

MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

1. The Sub Committee had before it the minute of its previous meeting of 2 November, 2009.

The Sub Committee resolved:-

to approve the minute as an accurate record.

EXEMPT INFORMATION

Before proceeding, the Sub Committee resolved in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 that the public be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 2 and 6 of Schedule 7(A) to the Act.

HOUSING CASE 7672

2. The Sub Committee had before it a report by the Director of Housing and Environment which contained particulars of an application for Council housing which could not be dealt with within the Scheme of Allocation due to the applicant having refused more than two suitable offers of housing.

The Sub Committee heard Councillor John Stewart in respect of this case.

The Sub Committee resolved:-

to grant the applicant an offer in any of the letting areas as follows:-

- Sunnybank – flat
- Froghall – cottage
- Froghall – maisonette
- Froghall – flat
- Gallowgate – cottage

Gallowgate – maisonette
 King Street – maisonette
 King Street – flat
 Urquhart Road – cottage
 Urquhart Road – flat
 Berryden – flat
 Rosemount – cottage
 Rosemount – flat
 Central – cottage
 Central – maisonette
 Central – flat
 Rosemount Square – flat.

HOUSING CASE 7673

3. The Sub Committee had before it a report by the Director of Housing and Environment which contained particulars of an application for Council housing which fell outwith the Scheme of Allocation.

The Sub Committee resolved:-

to approve option 1 as contained within the recommendations; to grant the applicant a priority move to a three bedroom flatted accommodation within an area of similar letting demand to Manor Avenue.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Hunter declared a personal interest in the subject matter of the following article but did not feel it was necessary to withdraw from the meeting.

HOUSING CASE 7374

4. The Sub Committee had before it a report by the Director of Housing and Environment which contained particulars of an application for Council housing which Councillor Boulton had asked be referred to the Sub Committee in order for consideration to be given to the impact the situation outlined within the report was having on the extended family members in addition to the applicant.

The Sub Committee heard Councillor Boulton in respect of this case.

The Sub Committee resolved:-

- (i) to defer this case to the next meeting of the Sub Committee; and
- (ii) to instruct officers to bring back social work and/or medical reports as appropriate to aid the Sub Committee in their decision at its next meeting and;
- (iii) to instruct officers to feed into the review that was currently being undertaken into the Scheme of Allocation; and to intimate in this regard that the Sub Committee would like consideration to be given to the impact that can be felt

by other family members who are not included in an application but live in the same property at the point of application, particularly if the Social Work Service is involved in a case.

HOUSING CASE 7375

5. The Sub Committee had before it a report by the Director of Housing and Environment which contained particulars of an application for Council housing which Councillor Kiddie had requested be considered by the Sub Committee on this day.

The Committee heard Councillor Kiddie in respect of this case.

The Sub Committee resolved:-

- (i) to defer this case to the next meeting of the Sub Committee; and to instruct officers to provide further medical information to aid the Sub Committee in its decision at the next meeting.
- (ii) to instruct officers to speak with the applicant at an early date in order to clarify some of the inconsistencies in the report; and
- (iii) should the applicant be housed prior to the next meeting of the Sub Committee, to instruct officers to provide an update report at this meeting.

HOUSING CASE 7376

6. The Sub Committee had before it a report by the Director of Housing and Environment which contained particulars of an application for Council housing which fell outwith the Scheme of Allocation.

The Sub Committee noted that the applicant's medical needs had recently been reassessed and she had been awarded the correct priority for her needs.

The Sub Committee resolved:-

to adopt option 2 as contained within the report; to decline the request and advise the applicant that she will have to wait for an offer of accommodation on normal turn of points priority.

FEEDBACK ON PREVIOUS CASES

7. With reference to article 12 of the minute of its previous meeting, the Sub Committee had before it a report by the Director of Housing and Environment, which updated the Sub Committee on housing cases that had been considered in the previous six months.

The Sub Committee resolved:-

to note the information provided.

HOUSING CASE 7649 - UPDATE

8. With reference to article 11 of the minute of its previous meeting, the Sub Committee had before it an update by the Head of Service - Housing Management on this particular housing case.

The Sub Committee resolved:-
to note the information provided.

HOUSING CASE 7671 – UPDATE

9. With reference to article 9 of the minute of its previous meeting, the Sub Committee had before it a report by the Head of Service - Housing and Environment which provided an update on this particular housing case.

The Sub Committee resolved:-
to note the information provided.

PROPOSED DATES AND TIMES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

11. The Sub Committee had before it a list of proposed meeting dates for 2010.

The Sub Committee resolved:-

- (i) to agree that meetings of the Group would be held on the following dates:-
 - 18 January 2010;
 - 1 March 2010;
 - 26 April 2010;
 - 7 June 2010;
 - 6 September 2010;
 - 25 October 2010;
 - 13 December 2010; and
- (ii) to agree that these meetings would commence at 2.00pm in the Town House.

- **AILEEN MALONE, Chairperson.**