

## RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 18 December 2012

**Decision No:** (CAB 12/13 9163)

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| DECISION-MAKER: | CABINET  |
| PORTFOLIO AREA: | HOUSING AND LEISURE SERVICES                             |
| SUBJECT:        | TENANCY STRATEGY CONSULTATION RESULTS AND FINAL APPROVAL |
| AUTHOR:         | JANET GAY  |

### THE DECISION

- (i) to approve the proposed Tenancy Strategy; and
- (ii) to approve the proposed arrangements regarding succession of tenancy as detailed in Appendix 2.

### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

1. Cabinet decided in March 2012 that officers should consult stakeholders in respect of the proposed tenancy strategy. That consultation exercise has been completed and this report provides details of the results and a proposed amended strategy which takes them into account.
2. The Housing Act 1985 has been amended by the Localism Act 2011 in relation to succession and assignments of tenancies. This report recommends that the City Council's policy is changed to reflect these changes.

### DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

1. That the City Council uses 'fixed-term' tenancies in a wide range of settings. Consultation supports Members' view that this would not be appropriate at present.
2. That the City Council's policy should allow for a greater range of family members to 'succeed' to tenancies on the death of the tenant. Consultation with stakeholders does not support this option and it is recommended that the City Council's policy be amended to bring it in line with statutory provisions.

### OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

None

**CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD**

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> December 2012

Decision Maker:  
The Cabinet

Proper Officer:  
Sue Lawrence

**SCRUTINY**

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.

Call-In Period expires on

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*