

Draft Housing Panel work programme 2014-15

Items for Housing Panel meetings

Suggested Topic	Suggested approach / area(s) for focus
Performance monitoring	Regular monitoring of performance measures for Estates Regeneration, Housing Supply and Welfare Reform and Housing Crisis.
Housing Strategy	Review headline priorities and sought outcomes in Housing Strategy at draft stage, and the action plan post-consultation.
Increasing the provision of affordable housing	Monitoring of performance measures; scrutiny of the Housing Business Plan and the Housing Strategy; consider alternative options e.g. pre-fabs and 'pods'; possible review topic.
Homelessness	Monitoring of performance measures; scrutiny of the Housing Business Plan and Housing Strategy; pre-scrutiny of homelessness grant allocations; possible review topics.
Rent arrears	Monitoring of performance measures; bi-annual update reports.
STAR survey results	Monitoring of results.
Tackling under-occupancy	Report on efforts to tackle under-occupancy; consider in rent arrears reports.
Oxford Standard	To receive a progress update on the delivery of the Oxford Standard through the Asset Management Strategy and Action Plan, including an update on work to improve thermal efficiency in the Council's housing stock.
Private sector licencing	Update report on the scheme; consider views of landlords and PRS tenants.
Unlawful dwellings	A report on the City Council's approach to tackling illegal dwellings e.g. beds in sheds, given that funding ends in April 2015.
Repairs exemptions policy	To scrutinise proposed changes to the current policy.
De-designation of 40+ accommodation	Update report on the final phase of de-designating 40+ accommodation (expected in April 15).
Sheltered Housing	Scrutiny of changes to the City Council's sheltered housing stock. This could include reviewing the County Council's plans and/or the provision of extra care and virtual extra care.
Fuel Poverty	To receive an update on the City Council's approach to the issue of Fuel Poverty. Commission/review research; consider during other items; possible review topic.
Supporting people	Verbal updates on the joint commissioning of housing support services.

Draft Housing Panel Agenda Schedules

Date, room and time	Agenda Item	Lead Member; Officer(s)
9 October 2014, Plowman Room, 5pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Performance Monitoring 2. Draft Housing Strategy 3. Rent arrears 4. Leaseholder Payment Options for Major Works 	Neil Lawrence Cllr Seamons; Gary Parsons Helen Bishop Cllr Seamons; David Watt
15 January, 5.30pm (TBC)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Housing budget Scrutiny session. Key documents include the Housing Business Plan, Housing Strategy and Housing Asset Management Strategy 	Cllr Seamons; David Edwards, Stephen Clarke
22 January 2015, Plowman Room, 5pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Star Survey Results 	Gary Parsons
4 February 2015, St Aldate's Room, 5.30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Unlawful dwellings 	Ian Wright