

Item No. 6.	Classification: Open	Date: 13 December 2011	Meeting Name: Cabinet
Report title:		Deputation Requests	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Strategic Director of Communities, Law & Governance	

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the cabinet consider whether to hear a deputation from residents living in the high rise blocks at John Kennedy House/Brydale House in respect of the Hawkstone low rise option report on the agenda.
2. That the cabinet consider whether to hear a deputation from the Hawkstone low rise residents steering group in respect of the Hawkstone low rise option report on the agenda.
3. That the cabinet consider whether to hear a deputation from the home owners council in respect of the housing management plan.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

4. When considering whether to hear the deputation request, cabinet can decide
 - To receive the deputation at this meeting or a future meeting; or
 - That the deputation not be received; or
 - To refer the deputation to the most appropriate committee/sub-committee.
5. A deputation shall consist of no more than six people, including its spokesperson. Only one member of the deputation shall be allowed to address the meeting for no longer than five minutes. After this time members may ask questions of the deputation for up to five minutes. At the conclusion of the questions, the deputation will be shown to the public area where they may listen to the remainder of the open section of the meeting.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

Group of residents living in the high rise blocks at John Kennedy House/Brydale House

6. A deputation request has been submitted on behalf of residents who live in the high rise blocks at John Kennedy House/Brydale House to address cabinet on the item "Hawkstone low-rise options appraisal" which is listed on the cabinet agenda for this meeting.
7. The deputation wish to address the cabinet in respect of their "environment, grounds, and garages." They wish to support the recommended option within the officers' report and to work towards improving how option appraisals are carried out in the future.

Hawkstone low rise residents steering group

8. A deputation request has also been submitted by the Hawkstone low rise residents steering group to address cabinet on the same item.
9. This group have advised that the majority of residents are in favour of option 2 as set out in the report and have requested:
 - An early decision which is considered essential, considering the history of deferred work on the low rise blocks
 - Continuing participation in the development of the project
 - Compensation for heating bills.

Home owners council

10. The home owners council have expressed concern about the following issues on the housing management plan and hope to encourage the cabinet to ensure that progress and a decision is made without delay and that the home owners' council are fully consulted before any changes are introduced:
 - Leaseholder service charge audit – consultation process
 - The changes made to the major works administration fee in December 2010 – lack of consultation and justification
 - Consultation process about the annual leaseholder service charge – examination of accounts.

REASONS FOR URGENCY

11. The deputation requests were all received in line with the constitutional deadline for the receipt of deputation requests and are therefore eligible for consideration by cabinet as to whether or not to hear at this meeting. Additionally, the first two deputation requests relate to an item on "Hawkstone low-rise options appraisal" which is listed on the agenda for this meeting of the cabinet.

REASONS FOR LATENESS

12. The deadline for the receipt of deputation requests was 7 December 2011, after the main cabinet agenda despatch on 5 December 2011. It has therefore not been possible to send out this report five clear days in advance of the meeting because of the need to ensure that all deputation requests received by the deadline were included in this report.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
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AUDIT TRAIL

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