MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ECONOMY, RESIDENTS AND COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD AT TEAMS ON MONDAY, 20 DECEMBER 2021

PRESENT: County Councillor M J Dorrance (Chair)

County Councillors J Charlton, L Corfield, G Jones, K Lewis, J Pugh, K Roberts-Jones and J Wilkinson

Cabinet Portfolio Holders In Attendance: County Councillor A Davies (Portfolio Holder for Finance and Transport)

Officers: Nigel Brinn (Executive Director - Economy and Environment), Nina Davies (Head of Housing and Community Development), Clive Pinney (Head of Legal and Democratic Services), Jane Thomas (Head of Finance), Wyn Richards (Scrutiny Manager and Head of Democratic Services) and Andy Thompson (Professional Lead - Housing)

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from County Councillors K Curry, D Selby, D Evans, S Williams and from the Portfolio Holder County Councillor R Harris (Leader).

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest from Members relating to items to be considered on the agenda.

3. DECLARATION OF PARTY WHIPS

The Committee did not receive any disclosures of prohibited party whips which a Member has been given in relation to the meeting in accordance with Section 78(3) of the Local Government Measure 2011.

4. ACCESS TO INFORMATION

RESOLVED to exclude the public for the following items of business on the grounds that there would be disclosure to them of exempt information under category 1 of The Local Authorities (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007).

The Monitoring Officer has determined that category 1 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules applies to the following items. His view on the public interest test (having taken account of the provisions of Rule 14.8 of the Council's Access to Information Rules) was that to make this information public would disclose information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). These factors in his view outweigh the public interest in disclosing this information.

5. | CALL IN REQUEST

The Committee noted the reason for the Call-In by the Chair of the Committee, together with the assessment of the Monitoring and Section 151 Officers.

6. CALL IN - 'MOVING ON UP' PROPOSAL FOR A REDESIGN OF POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL HOUSING SERVICES

The Committee indicated that it remained supportive of the Service Redesign which it scrutinised in July 2021, but made a number of observations and recommendations for consideration by the Cabinet at its meeting on 21-12-2021.

RESOLVED that the Committee's observations / recommendations be submitted to the Cabinet for consideration.

County Councillor M J Dorrance (Chair)