



Event: Housing Scrutiny Task Group
Place: County Hall, Committee Room V
Date: Friday 13th February
Time: 10.30am

**A MEMBERS' BRIEFING TO PREPARE FOR THIS MEETING
WILL TAKE PLACE ON
FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY – 9.30AM
COUNTH HALL - COMMITTEE ROOM V**

Membership

Cllr Janet Giles (Chairman)	Kennet District Council
Cllr Nina Phillips	North Wiltshire District Council
Cllr Mike Fowler	Salisbury District Council
Cllr Pip Ridout	West Wiltshire District Council
Cllr Pat Rugg	Wiltshire County Council

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (enclosed)**
Members are asked to approve the minutes of the 2nd December task group meeting.
- 3. Chairman's Announcements**
- 4. 2009/10 Budget Update (enclosed)**
Members are invited to consider an update on the development of the Housing Budget for 2009/10. The Joint Overview & Scrutiny Transition Board will be hosting a special meeting on the 17th February to consider the IE's 2009/10 budget recommendation. The County Council will set the budget on the 24th February, and will take into account comments from the JOSTB and its task groups.

- 5. Policy Harmonisation Update (enclosed)**
Members are invited to discuss this item which was considered by the Housing Reference Partnership (and its steering group) on the 9th February.
- 6. Key Risks & Issues Update (enclosed)**
Members are invited to discuss with the Housing Project Manager how the key issues and risks associated with housing services in the transition are being monitored and managed..
- 7. Performance Update – Quarter 3 (enclosed)**
Members are invited to consider the quarter 3 performance update figures.
- 8. Draft: Joint Direction of Travel Assessment for Wiltshire District Councils (enclosed)**
Members are invited to discuss and note the comments made by the Audit Commission on evaluating the performance of housing services in 08/09. This draft report was considered by the Implementation Executive in January. Paragraphs 1, 5, 6, 22 – 27, 60, and 73 – 75 specifically refer to housing services. The four district councils have been consulted on this draft report, the final version of which will be published in February.
- 9. Feedback on Separate Scrutiny Exercise on the Older People's Accommodation Strategy**
The chairman will update members on the outcome of a recent scrutiny exercise to consider the new Older People's Accommodation Strategy.
- 10. Date of next meeting**
The task group's next meeting is the 12th March at 2.30pm. This will be preceded by a Members Briefing at 2pm. These meetings will take place in County Hall.