
Meeting	Decision Session - Executive Member for Housing & Safer Neighbourhoods
Date	25 October 2018
Present	Councillor Douglas

14. Declarations of Interest

No additional interests were declared.

15. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 20 September 2018 be approved and signed by the Executive Member as a correct record.

16. Public Participation

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

17. Former rent arrears write off debts over £5000

Officers presented the case for writing off former tenant arrears that were unlikely to be recovered. The Executive member questioned officers on the timescale of the individual cases presented and agreed that the option to write off these arrears was in the best interest of the Council.

Resolved: That Former Tenant Arrears over £5000 be written off on the understanding that if necessary they can be re-instated at a later date.

Reason: It is considered good financial practice to write off uncollectable debts so that they do not count against the bad debt provision within the Housing Revenue Account. Debts can be written back onto a customer's account if they come to the attention of Housing Services in the future and will be applied against policies which consider housing related debt.

Councillor H Douglas, Chair

[The meeting started at 14:00 and finished at 14:05].