

# **SPECIAL HOUSING AND HEALTH COMMITTEE**

Minute of Special Meeting of the Housing and Health Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 18 October 2006 at 11.30am.

Present: Councillors Hunter, Barnacle (substituting for Councillor Robertson), Barrett, Crabbie, Flynn, E Grant, MacLellan, Miller, Mulheron, Scott and Wilson (substituting for Councillor Hayton); Mrs Miller and Mrs Muir.

In Attendance: Councillor Doig; L Sweeney and D Love (both Communities Scotland); D Roberts (Executive Director (Housing and Community Care)), I Gerono, G Fraser and M Weir (all Housing and Community Care); M Kay and V Goldthorp (both Corporate Services).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors Lennie, Robertson and Hayton.

Councillor Hunter, Convener, Presiding.

## **651. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

## **652. COMMUNITIES SCOTLAND INSPECTION OF LANDLORD AND HOMELESSNESS SERVICES**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (06/711) (1) seeking approval of the Housing Services Inspection submission; (2) detailing the strengths and weaknesses of the delivery of the Landlord and Homelessness Service; and (3) informing the Committee that the inspection is to be undertaken between 20 November 2006 and 15 December 2006.

Lynne Sweeney and David Love, Communities Scotland, made a joint presentation to the Committee on the purpose, process and timetable for the Perth and Kinross Inspection being undertaken as part of a fundamental requirement of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001, and advised that senior Elected Members would be interviewed during this process. The Inspection would focus on three main areas, namely Housing Management, Property Maintenance and Homelessness Services.

L SWEENEY AND D LOVE LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

### **Resolved:**

- (i) The Committee approve the Inspection Submission for Communities Scotland attached as Appendix A to Report 06/711, subject to the overview being amended to contextualise the position in relation to stock pressures, legislative requirements and development constraints.
- (ii) The Submission be delivered to Communities Scotland by 23 October 2006.