

Regulator of Social Housing Task & Finish Group – Terms of reference

Purpose and Remit of Group

- Following the introduction of the Social Housing Regulation Act 2023, the Housing Regulator has established four Consumer Standards to improve standards across social Housing, these are:-
 - Safety and Quality
 - Transparency, Influence and Accountability
 - Neighbourhood
 - Community and Tenancy

These standards relate to Housing Revenue Account Services Only.

- The Regulator of Social Housing (RSH) does not expect compliance with every aspect of the standards, however they do expect that a self-assessment is completed, and a plan of action is placed to achieve future compliance.
- The Task Group will oversee the self-assessment action plan to meet the requirements as set by the Regulator of Social Housing.
- When the RSH does come to inspect Oadby & Wigston Borough Council then they may ask to speak to members of this Task Group as part of that inspection.

Membership

- 5 Members will be appointed to the Task Group at Full Council
- The membership of the task group, wherever possible, will reflect the political representation of the council.

Accountability and Duration

- As a minimum the Lead Officer will meet with the chair of the Task Group at least one week prior to the Task Group meeting.
- The Chair of the Task Group will be nominated each year at the Annual General meeting.
- The Lead Officer is the Strategic Director who will be supported by the Chief Executive. Where the Strategic Director is not available to attend the meeting then the Head Of service for the Built Environment will substitute.
- It is expected that the Task Group will exist until all the requirements of the self-assessment action plan have been met.
- The Chair of the Task Group with the support of officers will report to Service Delivery Committee at least twice a year.

Working Methods

- The only papers for this meeting will be the Self-Assessment Action Plan.
- These terms of reference will be reviewed, and if necessary, updated at least annually.
- Minutes of the meeting will be provided; these will be sent out within ten working days of the meeting.