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**MINUTES OF THE 736TH BOARD MEETING OF THE NORTHERN IRELAND
HOUSING EXECUTIVE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25 OCTOBER 2023 AT 10AM IN
THE BURRENDALE HOTEL, NEWCASTLE, CO. DOWN**

PRESENT:

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| Mrs N Lappin | Chair |
| Mr J McMullan | Vice Chair |
| Mrs P Leeson | Board Member |
| Mr J McCall | Board Member |
| Mr C Welch | Board Member |
| Mr D Wilson | Board Member |
| Ms Y Simms | Boardroom Apprentice |

IN ATTENDANCE:

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| Ms G Long | Chief Executive |
| Mrs J Hawthorne | Director of Housing Services |
| Mr D Moore | Director of Corporate Services |
| Ms E Newberry | Interim Director, Regional Services |
| Mr A Kennedy | Assistant Director, Asset Strategy |
| Mr J Blease | Head of Corporate Communications |
| Mr K Megaw | Assistant Director, Financial Development |
| Mr E Jones | Risk and Governance Manager (Minutes) |
| Mr D Truesdale | Senior Dispute Resolution Manager (for item 6.3) |

APOLOGIES:

None

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| 1 | <p>Welcome / Apologies / Declarations of interest</p> <p>The Chair welcomed members to Newcastle and the opportunity for the Board to spend time over the next two days with a focus on strategic matters. The Chair noted that the meeting was being recorded for the purposes of factual accuracy of the minute.</p> <p>The Chair reminded members of the need to declare any interests for any agenda item as appropriate during the course of the meeting.</p> |
| 2 | <p>BOARD BUSINESS:</p> <p>(2.1) Draft Minutes</p> <p>733rd Board (Special) Meeting 19 July 2023</p> <p>Members were content to approve the draft minutes, without amendment.</p> <p>734th Board Meeting 30 August 2023</p> <p>Members were content to approve the draft minutes, without amendment.</p> <p>735th Board (Special) Meeting 20 September 2023</p> <p>Members were content to approve the draft minutes, without amendment.</p> <p><u>RESOLVED:</u> The Board approved the draft minutes of the 733rd, 734th and 735th Board Meetings as an accurate record for signing by the Chair.</p> <p>(2.2) Matters Arising</p> <p>No matters arising were noted.</p> <p>(2.3) Actions Brought Forward List</p> <p>Members noted the actions brought forward list and progress made on actions.</p> |

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| | <p>(2.4) Proposed Amendment to Standing Order A15</p> <p><u>APPROVED.</u></p> |
| 3 | <p>STANDING ITEMS:</p> <p>(3.1) Chair's Business</p> <p>NOTED</p> <p>(3.2) Chief Executive's Report</p> <p>NOTED</p> |
| 4 | <p>PRESENTATION: Fifty Years of The Housing Executive</p> <p>The Chair introduced the item, as an opportunity for the Board to establish the context of discussion over the next two days, reflecting on the legacy of the Housing Executive, its journey, achievements and challenges over fifty years. The Chief Executive spoke to the presentation, charting the history of the Housing Executive, its key challenges and achievements in delivery of social housing in a divided society, the opportunities and promise from the Belfast/Good Friday Agreement, lessons of the past and current and future challenges. Members welcomed the presentation as an opportunity to reflect on the ambition of the-then Board, the impact and positive legacy of the Housing Executive and its contribution to its tenants and the wider social fabric of Northern Ireland.</p> <p>NOTED</p> |
| 5 | <p>STRATEGIC BUSINESS:</p> |

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| | <p>(5.1) Rent Increase Proposal</p> <p><u>APPROVED.</u></p> <p>(5.2) Business Case for Private Sector Acquisition Proposal to provide Temporary Accommodation for Homeless Households</p> <p><u>APPROVED.</u></p> |
| 6 | <p>OTHER APPROVAL PAPERS:</p> <p>(6.1) Finance Report as at 30th September</p> <p><u>APPROVED.</u></p> <p>(6.2) Performance Monitor as at 30th September</p> <p><u>APPROVED.</u></p> <p>(6.3) Update on legal matter</p> <p><u>APPROVED.</u></p> <p>(6.4) Process for Approving Exceptional Uplifts and Procedural Approval for CT016 (MIS Lots 2, 4 & 6)</p> <p><u>APPROVED.</u></p> |
| 7 | <p>STANDING ITEM: Committee Business - Verbal Report from each Committee Chair</p> |

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| | <p>(7.1) Briefing from ARAC Chair</p> <p>NOTED</p> <p>(7.2) Briefing from Tenant & Customer Services Committee Chair</p> <p>NOTED</p> <p>(7.3) Briefing from Resources & Performance Committee Chair</p> <p>NOTED</p> <p>(7.4) Briefing from Asset Management and Maintenance Committee Chair</p> <p>NOTED</p> |
| 8 | <p>Any Other Business</p> <p>The Chief Executive advised members that funding for existing applications for the Boiler Replacement scheme up to and including 21 September 2023 had been confirmed by DfC.</p> |
| 9 | <p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>The next scheduled meeting of the Board was confirmed for Wednesday 13 December 2023 at 10am in the Boardroom, Housing Centre.</p> |

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CHAIR