CABINET MEMBER DECISION NOTICE



2 December, 2019

The Cabinet Member for Communities has taken the following decision:

CIVIL PENALTIES POLICY UNDER THE HOUSING AND PLANNING ACT 2016

(a) Decision(s)

To adopt a Civil Penalties Policy under the Housing and Planning Act 2016, as set out in the report published on 25 November 2019.

(b) Reason(s) for decision(s)

Good quality and safe housing is something that every tenant has a right to expect. Aylesbury Vale District Council in its Private Sector Housing Regeneration Policy sets out a number of key objectives including aspirations to:

- Improve the quality of the private housing stock in the Vale.
- Positively impact the health and wellbeing of those living in non-decent private dwellings.
- Actively tackle rogue landlords.

In order to support the achievement of the above, Aylesbury Vale District Council has adopted this policy under the Housing and Planning Act 2016 to enable us to take a proactive approach to housing enforcement and to impose civil penalties against private landlords who are found to have committed certain offences. This policy sets out the levels of civil penalties that will be applied and the circumstances in which the Council will consider using them.

(c) Alternative options considered

None.

(d) Conflicts of Interest / Dispensation(s)

None.

CALL IN TIMESCALE

Any requests for call in must be received by the Democratic Manager by 5.00 pm on 9 December 2019. The request must be made by the Chairman or any 3 Members of the Environment and Living Scrutiny Committee.

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