1. ATTENDANCE

S Conlin, J Simon, E Howat, M Burke, J Haughey, (S Shone/K Szulc WSHA).

2. TEAMS MEETING 16/7/24

All Committee Members were invited to this meeting which was to assist new members by answering any queries on the paper. It was not necessary for all to attend. Some Committee Members communicated their approval by email or verbally.

The Director of Housing & Community Services (DHCS) explained that the paper that had been issued by email looking for approval on a tenancy matter would normally be addressed at a Committee Meeting, but due to the summer break and new members, she had suggested a meeting for anyone that had further questions.

A discussion followed about whether it was considered as abandonment and the DHCS confirmed that

there is uncertainty about whether the tenant is actually living there or not. Experience might suggest that the tenant has a new job and has moved away, however there is no evidence to back this up. The tenant didn't communicate with us previously, and we don't think they are there.

We previously had communication with their

There is nothing to suggest that there are any support needs that should be considered, this has never been raised previously and all attempts to communicate have been exhausted.

The DHCS confirmed that the tenant

everything had been tried to engage with them.

Ad hoc contact had been made with the Housing Officer frequently visiting property, letters in line with the policy have been issued and several informal attempts at contact have been made.

The decree is in place and if we don't act now, the opportunity will be lost. Current rent arrears of £2682.

There is nothing to suggest that tenant has left their tenancy, but they may make contact triggered by the eviction itself.

This is a useful meeting, especially for new Committee members to ask questions about the process, but there should be no concern in terms of what has been done by Officers.

All attempts to engage have been carried out and if they had made contact, we would help them. We now have no choice as we have reached the cut off

All committee members present (5) approved.

Other committee members not present (5), approved.