## Winchester City Council – Housing Standards Groups

Group: Transparency, Influence & Accountability Date: 28 June 2025

Agenda Item	Discussion Summary/ Notes	Actions	Person Responsible	Deadline
	Disillusioned to hopeful	None	N/A	N/A
One word Check-	Overwhelmed to reassured			
in	Wordy			
	Frustrating			
	Excited			
	This activity was a collaborative process where the workshop participants			
	actively mapped out the following process identifying what works well,			
	limitations and ideas for improvement			
"Fix the Journey" –				
A Tenant-Led	What works well			
Service Mapping	Digital Drop-Ins offer support to people who are less tech savvy			
and Redesign	Rent statements accessible via My Winchester Tenancy		Tenant Partnership	Ongoing
Exercise	On-Hold wait times are improving		Team	
	Call Back service on phones works well			
	Frustrations			
	Reduced reception hours hinder ease of contact			
	Quality of customer service differs depending on which staff			
	member the tenants reach			
	My Winchester Tenancy doesn't show calendar dates			
	Long hold times and sudden disconnections			
	<ul> <li>Communication breakdowns: no email replies or untimely responses.</li> </ul>			
	Persistent ASB remain unresolved when reports go unanswered			
	<ul> <li>Automated messages too lengthy</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Technical barriers such as character limits on text messages</li> </ul>			
	Failures			
	<ul> <li>Send follow-up email with 'return by' date</li> </ul>			

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	<ul> <li>Be intentional with surveys and use insights to shape future actions</li> <li>Embed tenant voices into service redesign, e.g., websites, phone systems</li> <li>Adaptive screens not working as expected</li> <li>Password Issues with my My Winchester Tenancy site</li> </ul>	
	Ideas	
	<ul> <li>When contacting WCC, tenants should link follow-up email's to original messages for traceability</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Need for clear indicators such as wait times, peak/off peak times, queue position</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Iona to return to the HIW to give update on Website</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Repairs slots bookable by smaller timeframe and to include the tenants name and/or address (this is important to tenants who also manage communications for vulnerable family members at other addresses)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Use tenant testing groups to co-create website content and road-test apps – this helps to ensure the tech is easy for all tenants and reduces the fear of using digital technology</li> <li>Customer Service Staff to attend the HIW</li> </ul>	
Future Topic	Website redesign, content co-creation, and tenant testing with lona.	