



Report of the Chair

Special Scrutiny Programme Committee – 1 August 2019

Housing Commissioning Review Progress

Purpose:	The Scrutiny Programme Committee is meeting to discuss emerging findings and proposals from the Council's Housing Commissioning Review.
Content:	A report from the Cabinet Member for Homes & Energy, Councillor Andrea Lewis, which provides a progress report on the Commissioning Review is appended. The Cabinet Member will attend the meeting along with the Head of Housing & Public Health, Mark Wade, and the Housing Landlord Services Manager, Jane Harries, for report presentation, questions and discussion.
Councillors are being asked to:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss and give views on the Housing Commissioning Review.
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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Scrutiny Programme Committee has asked for early engagement in the Housing Commissioning Review, and discussion well ahead of any final cabinet report, that will enable scrutiny councillors to give their views for decision-makers to take into account.
- 1.2 A Cabinet decision on the Housing Commissioning Review is currently listed for cabinet meeting on 21 November 2019. The report to Cabinet is expected to inform of the findings of the Commissioning Review process in the Housing Service and seek approval for proposals, progress to implementation and to undertake formal tenant consultation.

- 1.3 In addition to any early discussion and engagement, it is expected that the Scrutiny Programme Committee will carry out pre-decision scrutiny of the Cabinet report at the appropriate time.
- 1.4 The Cabinet Member for Homes & Energy, Councillor Andrea Lewis, has provided to the Committee a report (appended) which details progress with the Housing Commissioning Review. The Cabinet Member will attend the meeting to present the report and respond to questions, along with the Head of Housing & Public Health, Mark Wade, and the Housing Landlord Services Manager, Jane Harries.
- 1.5 The Committee is invited to discuss and comment on the Housing Commissioning Review. Scrutiny views at this stage will help to inform and influence decision-makers and any proposals for the Housing Service that will be taken forward. Any views will be passed on to the Cabinet Member for Homes & Energy and relevant officers so that they can be considered, and inform the preparation of the cabinet report.

2. Legal Implications

- 2.1 There are no specific legal implications raised by this report.

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 There are no specific financial implications raised by this report.

Background Papers: None

Appendices:

Appendix 1 – Report of the Cabinet Member for Homes & Energy – Housing Commissioning Review Progress.