



Report to:	Housing, Economy and Business Committee	Date:	23 June 2015
Report title:	Housing Strategy Delivery Plan 2015/16		
Report from:	Mary Morrissey, Strategic Director Environment, Housing and Regeneration		
Ward/Areas affected:	Borough wide		
Chair of Committee/Lead Member:	Cllr Jayne McCoy		
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Corporate Plan Priorities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Fairer Council 		
Open/Exempt:	Open		
Signed:		Date:	10 June 2015

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report seeks the Committee's approval of a new Housing Strategy Delivery Plan for 2015/16. The draft plan accompanying this report sets out details of how the aims and objectives of the Council's new Housing Strategy, which was approved by the Committee in March 2015, will be delivered during 2015/16.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee:

- 2.1 approves the Housing Strategy Delivery Plan 2015/16;
- 2.2 delegates authority to the Strategic Director, Environment, Housing and Regeneration, in consultation with the Chair of the Committee, to make further and final amendments to the Delivery Plan;
- 2.3 agrees that a progress report be provided to the Committee's December meeting.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Housing Economy and Business Committee approved a new Housing Strategy for the borough in March 2015. Contained within the strategy are five broad aims, and against each of these a number of more specific objectives have been set.
- 3.2 Following discussion at the March committee, officers were asked to bring back to the Committee for approval a plan setting out how the strategy would be delivered during the coming year. Accordingly a draft Housing Strategy Delivery Plan for 2015/16 is contained in Appendix A for Committee approval.



4. Issues and Options

- 4.1 The draft Delivery Plan is structured around the aims and objectives of the new Housing Strategy. Against each objective are the key actions or milestones required to be carried out in order to deliver the objective. The number of these varies according to the nature and complexity of the work to be undertaken. Also, it should be noted that in the case of some of the objectives, the work to deliver on them is of an ongoing nature and will be carried out routinely throughout the year.
- 4.2 Timescales and resources, as applicable are set out against the actions. Most of the work will be carried out within existing budgets by officers, supplemented by external or consultancy support where required.
- 4.3 Given that many objectives are either of an ongoing nature or are relatively long term and will only be achieved over a period of some years, it is recommended that the first update on progress be provided to the Committee's December 2015 meeting.

5. Impacts and Implications

Financial

- 5.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. Capital and revenue resources that are available to support housing were included in chapter 5 of the draft strategy.

Legal

- 5.2 This is a delivery plan and as such is a high level report with no immediate specific legal issues arising. However, detailed legal advice will need to be sort when delivering the Plan in respect of various actions and activities identified in the report at the appropriate juncture.

Health and wellbeing

- 5.3 Within the housing strategy strategic aim E (Provide housing support and improve the health and wellbeing of residents), its supporting objectives and the associated key actions/milestones directly relate to improving the health and wellbeing of borough residents.

Community

- 5.4 All of the aims in the new housing strategy and the draft delivery plan have a bearing upon enabling and sustaining successful local communities, and there is an explicit recognition in the supporting objectives for strategic aim C (Promote excellent housing management standards across all types of housing) that services responsive to the needs of local residents need to be a feature of all tenures.

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- 5.5 The strategy and draft delivery plan include objectives and associated actions for the delivery of high quality and sustainable new housing supply, making effective use of existing assets and promoting energy efficiency across all tenures.

Integrated Impact Assessment

- 5.6 The integrated impact assessment undertaken in the development of the housing strategy also applies to the proposed delivery plan and is thus reproduced at Appendix B.



Risk

- 5.7 Risks around the delivery of our aims were identified in the strategy. These include the significant level of budget reductions the Council needs to deliver by 2018/19 and the lack of adequate levels of alternative sources of funding from other quarters. Where appropriate, specific resource issues are flagged up in the draft delivery plan

6 Appendices and Background Documents

Appendix Letter	Title
A	Draft housing strategy delivery plan 2015/16
B	Integrated Impact Assessment

Background Documents

Housing Strategy 2015/16 and beyond (LB Sutton, April 2015)

Audit Trail

Version	Final	Date: 10 June 2015
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Consultation with other officers

Officer	Comments Sought	Comments checked by
Finance	Yes	Sue Hogg
Legal	Yes	Claire Williams

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