

Report to Communities Select Committee

Date of meeting: 14 March 2017

Portfolio: Housing – Cllr S. Stavrou

**Subject: Housing Revenue Account Business Plan
Key Action Plan (2016/17) -
12-Month Progress Report**



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Recommendation:

That the Select Committee considers the 12-Month Progress Report for the Key Action Plan contained within the HRA Business Plan 2016/17 (attached as an Appendix) and provides any feedback to the Housing Portfolio Holder and Director of Communities accordingly.

Report:

1. In March 2016, the Council's Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Business Plan for 2016/17 was produced, incorporating the Repairs & Maintenance Business Plan. This document set out the Council's objectives, strategies and plans as landlord, in relation to the management and maintenance of its own housing stock.
2. An important section of the HRA Business Plan is the Key Action Plan. This sets out the proposed actions the Council would be taking, primarily, over the following year. Having included the Key Action Plan within the Business Plan, it is good practice that the progress made with the stated actions is monitored; one of the Select Committee's Terms of Reference is to review progress during the year.
3. A 6-Month Progress Report on the actions contained within the Key Action Plan 2016/17 was reported to the Select Committee in November 2016. An updated 12-Month Progress Report is attached as an Appendix to this report for consideration.
4. The Select Committee is asked to consider the Progress Report and to feed back to the Housing Portfolio Holder and Director of Communities any comments.
5. It should be noted that this is the last 6/12 month progress report on HRA Business Plans to be considered by the Select Committee. As members will be aware, the Cabinet has agreed that, in future, shorter business plans should be produced to a standard template based on the four directorates. It is not yet been decided how progress with these new business plans will be monitored.
6. It should also be noted, though, that the HRA Financial Plan will continue to be updated annually and reviewed by the Communities Select Committee prior to it being finalised, with half-yearly reviews undertaken by the Select Committee as it has done in the past.