

Report to the Housing Scrutiny Panel

Date of meeting: 22 January 2008

Portfolio: Housing – Cllr D. Stallan



**Subject: Housing Revenue Account Business Plan 2007/8 (Key Action Plan)
– Progress Report**

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Recommendations:

That the Panel considers the Progress Report for the Key Action Plan contained within the HRA Business Plan 2007/8 and provides any feedback to the Housing Portfolio Holder and Director of Housing accordingly.

Report

1. In April 2007, the Council's latest Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Business Plan (2007/8) was produced, incorporating the Repairs & Maintenance Business Plan. This document sets 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 action the Council will take over the following 1-3 years. 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 Scrutiny Panel's Terms of Reference is to review progress during the year.
3. A Progress Report (as at 1 January 2008) has therefore been produced and is attached as an appendix to this report.
4. The Scrutiny Panel is asked to consider the Progress Report and to feed back to the Housing Portfolio Holder and Director of Housing any comments it considers appropriate.
5. The HRA Business Plan will shortly be revised and updated, and considered by the Scrutiny Panel at its next meeting in March 2008 to cover 2008/9.