

## Housing Scrutiny Standing Panel – 2011/2012

Item	Report Deadline / Priority	Scheduled Date	Progress / Comments	Programme of Future Meetings
(1) Presentation by Mears on proposed approach to Repairs Management Contract	Low	July 2011	<b>Completed</b> – July 2011	<del>19<sup>th</sup> July 2011</del> <del>25<sup>th</sup> October 2011</del> <del>28<sup>th</sup> November 2011</del> (Joint with Finance & Performance Management Scrutiny Panel)
(2) Annual Report on the HomeOption Choice Based Lettings Scheme	Low	July 2011	<b>Completed</b> – July 2011	<del>31<sup>st</sup> January 2012</del> <del>5<sup>th</sup> March 2012</del>
(3) HouseMark Benchmarking Report of Housing Services	Low	July 2011	<b>Completed</b> – July 2011	13 <sup>th</sup> March 2012 + Special Meeting (to be Arranged)
(4) Annual Ethnic Monitoring Review of Housing Applicants	Medium	July 2011	<b>Completed</b> – July 2011	
(5) Housing Performance Indicators - 2010/11 Out-turn (Tenant-Selected & KPIs)	Low	July 2011	<b>Completed</b> – July 2011	
(6) 12-Month Progress Report on Housing Strategy Action Plan 2010/11	Low	July 2011	<b>Completed</b> – July 2011	
(7) Housing Strategy Action Plan 2011/12	High	July 2011	<b>Completed</b> – July 2011	
(8) Performance against Housing Service Standards and Review	Medium	July 2011	<b>Completed</b> – July 2011	
(9) Six-monthly Progress Report on Housing Business Plan Action Plan	Low	October 2011	<b>Completed</b> - 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2011	

(10) Approach to future Council House-building Programme	High	October 2011	<b>Completed</b> - 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2011
(11) HRA 30-Year Financial Plan in Preparation for HRA Self-financing	High	October 2011	<b>Completed</b> - 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2011
(12) Briefing on the proposed Council rent increase for 2010/11	Low	January 2012	<b>Not Required</b> – Following detailed consideration of the HRA Financial Plan and associated rent increases, this is not required this year
(13) Housing Service Strategy on Empty Properties (Review and update)	Medium	October 2011	<b>Completed</b> - 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2012
(14) Review of Private Sector Housing Strategy	High	January 2012	<b>Completed</b> - 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2012
(15) Six-monthly Progress report on Housing Strategy Action Plan 2011/12	Low	January 2012	<b>Completed</b> - 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2012
(16) Feed-in Tariff Scheme for Council Housing Stock	High	July 2011	<b>Considered on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2011 – but requires further consideration at 13<sup>th</sup> March 2012 meeting</b>
(17) Housing Service Strategy on Housing and Neighbourhood Management (Review and update)	Medium	March 2012	<b>On Agenda</b> - for 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2012 meeting
(18) 12-monthly Progress report on Housing Business Plan Action Plan	Low	March 2012	<b>On Agenda</b> - for 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2012 meeting
(19) Housing Service Strategy on Empty Council Properties (Review and update)	Low	March 2012	<b>On Agenda</b> - for 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2012 meeting

(20) Housing Service Strategy on Older Peoples Housing (Review and update)	Medium	March 2012	<b>On Agenda</b> - for 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2012 meeting
(21) HRA Business Plan 2012/13	High	March 2012	<b>On Agenda</b> - for 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2012 meeting
(22) Housing Service Strategy on Repairs and Maintenance (New)	Medium	October 2011	<b>Deferred to 2012/13 Work Programme</b> – Due to officer workload
(23) Housing Service Strategy on Energy Efficiency (Review and update)	Medium	October 2011	<b>Deferred to 2012/13 Work Programme</b> – Due to officer workload
(24) Housing Service Strategy on Home Ownership (Review and update)	Medium	January 2012	<b>Deferred to 2012/13 Work Programme</b> – Due to officer workload
(25) Housing Service Strategy on Rent Administration (Review and update)	Medium	March 2012	<b>Deferred to 2012/13 Work Programme</b> – Due to officer workload
(26) Annual Review of the Housing Allocations Scheme	High	October 2011	<b>Deferred to the October 2012</b> – To await the Commencement Order for this part of the Localism Act and publication (and consideration by officers) of the final version of the new Code of Guidance on Allocations.
<b>Items added after the original Work Programme was agreed</b>			
(27) Provision of smoke detectors in Communal blocks or Council properties	Medium	October 2011	<b>Completed</b> - 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2012

(28) Consideration of Council response to CLG Consultation Paper <i>“Reinvigorating the Right to Buy and one for one replacement”</i>	Low	January 2012	<b>Completed</b> - 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2012
(29) Presentation and review of the success of the Council’s Social Housing Fraud Pilot Scheme and consideration of recommendations to the Cabinet	High	January 2012	<b>Completed</b> - 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2012
(30) Consideration and recommendations to Cabinet of proposed housing service improvements and service enhancements, as a result of the additional resources available from HRA self financing	High	March 2012	<b>Completed</b> - 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2012
(31) Consideration of Council response to CLG Consultation Paper <i>“Allocation of accommodation: guidance for local housing authorities in England”</i>	Low	March 2012	<b>On Agenda</b> - for 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2012 meeting
(32) Homelessness Strategy – Revision and update	High	March 2012	<b>Deferred to 2012/13 Work Programme</b> – Due to officer workload and the need to provide figures for the whole year 2011/12

<p>(33) Outcome report on the implementation of new licences for park home sites</p>	<p>High</p>	<p>October 2011</p>	<p><b>Deferred until for a special meeting at a later date –</b>  This had been delayed from the originally scheduled date, due to the resignation of both the Technical Officer (Private Sector) and the Environmental Health Officer undertaking the site inspections, which has delayed the programme, and to await the outcome of liaison meetings with site owners and representatives of residents associations, held before Christmas.</p> <p>A report was included on the Scrutiny Panel’s Agenda for its meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2012, but was deferred to a special meeting of the Scrutiny Panel to allow the Essex Fire Authority to provide detailed written advice on the fire safety aspects of the issue.</p>	
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