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**Decision-Making** 

## RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

**DECISION-MAKER:** COUNCILLOR LIZ WAKEFIELD

PORTFOLIO AREA: HOUSING

SUBJECT: LETTING AGENTS ACCREDITATION

SCHEME

**AUTHOR:** SYLVIA PECKHAM, JOHN MAGUIRE

#### THE DECISION

(1) That the creation and launch of the Letting Agents Accreditation Scheme be approved.

(2) That authority be delegated to the Strategic Director, Place to confirm the accredited status of Lettings Agents, upon achievement of the criteria for accreditation.

### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

(1) The recommendations have been made so as to encourage Letting Agents to be more transparent and to improve the service provided to their customers. Accreditation will set minimum standards in service delivery which Letting Agents will be encouraged to achieve and tenants will be encouraged to expect.

### **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

(1) The council considered incorporating the letting agency accreditation scheme into the existing landlord's accreditation scheme. However, this would not enable the scheme to be tailored to the needs of Letting Agents as distinct from individual landlords.

# OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

### **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

### **CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD:**

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision

Date: Decision Maker:

29 February 2012 Councillor Liz Wakefield

Cabinet Member for Housing

Elizabeth Wakepeld

Signed:

**Proper Officer:** 

29 February 2012 Mark Wall, Head of Democratic Services

Signed:

### **SCRUTINY**

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny 'Call-In' provisions.

Call-In Period 7 March 2012

Date of Call-in (if applicable) (this suspends implementation)

Call-in Procedure completed (if applicable)

Call-in heard by (if applicable)

Results of Call-in (if applicable)