

LABOUR & CO-OPERATIVE AND GREEN GROUP AMENDMENT

HOUSING ALLOCATIONS POLICY REVIEW

Amend recommendations 2.1 and 2.3 listed in the report, so that:

- (i) Paragraph 3.22 is replaced by a new paragraph 3.22;
- (ii) Three new paragraphs at 3.23, 3.24 and 3.25 are inserted; and
- (iii) The existing paragraphs 3.23, 3.24 and 3.25 become paragraphs 3.26, 3.27 and 3.28

as detailed below and shown in bold italics:

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

That Cabinet recommends to Council that:

- 2.1 That the proposals set out in paragraphs 3.22 to 3.29 and also Appendix 3 to the report be approved;***
- 2.2 The Strategic Director; Place be authorised to amend the Council's Housing Allocations Policy to reflect the above changes; and
- 2.3 The Strategic Director; Place and the Strategic Director; People be authorised to take all steps necessary or incidental to the implementation of the proposals in paragraphs 3.22 to 3.28.***

Paragraphs 3.22 to 3.28 to read as follows:

- 3.22 That Band A priority should be available as one of a range of housing options offered to young people leaving care. Allocation of Band A priority should be based on individual need following a case conference involving the young person and all relevant parties.***
- 3.23 That a case conference panel or board is set up to facilitate the above at 3.22.***
- 3.24 That robust support packages are created with the involvement of the young person in advance of their leaving care.***
- 3.25 That the implementation of support packages and the sustainability and success of tenancies on the part of care leavers is monitored by the newly created Corporate Renting Sub-Committee.***

- 3.26** Where a care leaver seeks to appeal an assessment decision and/or agreement cannot be reached by professional assessors, the matter is to be referred to the Strategic Director; People to arbitrate as the delegated corporate parent for the Council.
- 3.27** In addition, the Strategic Director; People and the Strategic Director; Place, will provide an annual report to the Council through a proposed Corporate Parent (sub) Committee on the impact of housing allocations on the management of council housing stock and the well being of care leavers.
- 3.28** With regard to other issues raised as part of the consultation as set out in Appendix 3, officers recommend that these changes are also accepted by Cabinet and subsequently recommended by Cabinet to Full Council for approval **on 26 April 2012.**

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