

Report to Stronger Communities Select Committee

Date of meeting: 15 November 2022



Portfolio: Housing and Community (Councillor Holly Whitbread)

Subject: Annual Lettings Report 2021/22

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Recommendations:

That Stronger Communities Select Committee notes the Social Housing Annual Lettings Report 2021-2022 (APPENDIX A) before it is published on the Council's website.

Report:

1. As a registered provider of social housing the Council is obliged to comply with Regulator of Social Housing Tenancy Standard which states "Registered providers shall let their homes in a fair, transparent and efficient way".
2. The Social Housing Annual Lettings Report 2021-2022 provides information on the letting of social housing in the District between 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 and the demand for social housing on 31 March 2022 from qualifying applicants in accordance with the Council's Allocations Scheme for 2018-2022.
3. The report includes typical waiting times and profiling information on age, mobility needs and ethnicity of the applicants that have been rehoused.
4. Details are also provided on the number of mutual exchanges and management transfers that took place outside of the allocations scheme during the same period, and the number of properties that former tenants purchased from the Council under the Right to Buy.
5. A review of the Allocations Scheme for 2022-2027 resulted in some changes which became effective in September 2022. The changes have no impact on this report and will be reflected in the next Social Housing Lettings report for the period April 2022 - March 2023

Reason for decision:

To note the social housing lettings that were made between 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022 and the snapshot of qualifying applicants on the Housing Register as at 31 March 2022.

Options considered and rejected: N/A

Consultation undertaken: N/A

Resource implications: None

Legal and Governance Implications: None

Safer, Cleaner, Greener Implications: None

Background Papers: Social Housing Lettings Report 2021-2022

Impact Assessments: N/A