

Cabinet Meeting Resolution

**Executive
Forward Plan
Reference**

E2269

Housing Renewal Policy Review

Date of Meeting	13-Jul-11
The Issue	<i>The Council is required to adopt and publish a Housing Renewal Policy. This policy is periodically reviewed and revised as required. It sets out how Housing Services will provide assistance, including financial assistance, to help low-income, elderly, disabled and other vulnerable residents to undertake essential repairs and adaptations.</i>
The decision	(1) To ADOPT the Home Health and Safety Policy 2011 as the Council's Housing Renewal Policy; (2) To AGREE that the budget allocations detailed within the policy are applied in conjunction with the policy; (3) To AGREE that the policy is reviewed in 1 year.
Rationale for decision	The implementation of the policy will enable financial assistance to be allocated according to Council priorities and current housing need
Other options considered	Two options were considered for eligibility criteria for access to a low cost loan to remove serious housing health and safety for vulnerable households. The two options considered for eligibility as vulnerable were a) on low income; or b) on low income and over 60, disabled or with a long term life limiting illness. Option b) is proposed in the policy.
The Decision is subject to Call-In within 5 working days of publication of the decision	