

Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive
Forward Plan
Reference

E 3387

Housing policy updates for:

- Enforcement and licensing
- Empty residential properties
- Decent homes

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| Decision maker/s | Cllr Tom Davies, Cabinet Member for Adults and Council House Building |
| The Issue | The three policies identified in the report, namely Housing Services Enforcement & Licensing Policy 2022, Housing Services Empty Residential Properties Policy 2022, and Housing Services Decent Homes Policy 2022, require updating to reflect changes in legislation and better reflect current needs and good practice. |
| Decision Date | 22 November 2022 |
| The decision | The Cabinet Member agrees that: The updated Housing Services Policies for Enforcement and Licensing, Empty Residential Properties and Decent Homes are adopted. |
| Rationale for decision | Policies for Enforcement and Licensing, Empty Residential Properties and Decent Homes are reviewed and updated from time to time to reflect new legislation, current needs and good practice. |
| Financial and budget implications | There are no additional resource implications arising from this report. Income received from a financial penalty or penalty charge can be retained by the Council provided that it is used to further the local housing authority's statutory functions in relation to their enforcement activities covering the private rented sector. |
| Issues considered | Social Inclusion; Customer Focus; Sustainability; Property; Young People; Equality (age, race, disability, religion/belief, gender, sexual orientation); Human Rights; Corporate; Health & Safety; Impact on Staff; Other Legal Considerations |
| Consultation undertaken | Cabinet colleagues; Staff; Section 151 Finance Officer; Monitoring Officer |
| How consultation was carried out | Circulation of draft policies and report |

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| Other options considered | None |
| Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision: | None |
| Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision: | None |

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| Name and Signature of Decision Maker/s | Councillor Tom Davies Cabinet Member for Adults and Council House Building Bath and North East Somerset Council |
| Date of Signature | 22 November 2022 |

Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision