

# Title of report: Local Authority Housing Delivery Models

**Meeting: Connected Communities Scrutiny Committee**

**Meeting date: Wednesday 13 November 2024**

**Report by: Statutory Scrutiny Officer**

## **Classification**

Open

## **Decision type**

This is not an executive decision

## **Wards affected**

(All Wards);

## **Purpose**

This report and its appendices provide information to support the Connected Communities Scrutiny Committee's scrutiny of the council's services to meet its demand for affordable housing.

## **Recommendation(s)**

**That:**

- a) **Prepare any questions and determines any other actions or recommendations it may seek to make.**

## **Alternative options**

1. As this report is for information only, it presents no alternative options. The Connected Communities Scrutiny Committee has agreed to assist (as per their Terms of Reference) with considering how the council can address the affordable housing crisis.

## **Key considerations**

2. The Connected Communities Scrutiny Committee has a remit to consider how the council can address the affordable housing crisis and has already considered current housing situation, the

role of various stakeholders, and strategies employed by the local authorities to manage affordable housing and temporary accommodation.

3. At the Connected Communities Scrutiny Committee meeting on 3 October 2024, the committee considered an update from Three Dragons on their commissioned research into housing delivery models used by other local authorities. It was agreed by committee members that this item be brought back to the committee on 13 November 2024 to review the findings of the final report before making their final recommendations to Cabinet.

### **Community impact**

4. As this report is for information only, it contains no assessment of community impact. However any recommendation made by the committee, if agreed by Cabinet or a portfolio holder, may have an impact on the support offered to children and young people leaving the care of the council. In this case, Cabinet or a portfolio holder will have to consider these potential impacts when deciding whether to accept the recommendation.
5. It is a stated commitment in the Council Plan, 2024 to 2028 to support the right housing in the right place, to work with partners to provide high quality and affordable housing to meet all needs.

### **Environmental Impact**

6. Operating services to support children leaving care creates minimal environmental impacts. The service considers how to minimise waste and resource use in line with the Council's Environmental Policy.

### **Equality duty**

7. In producing this report, officers have been mindful of their duties under the Equality Act 2010 and Disability Discrimination Act 1995. The report and appendices are written in plain English and laid out clearly to maximise readability.
8. Although the reports themselves only provide information, they may result in recommendations to Cabinet or a portfolio holder for action. In agreeing those recommendations, Cabinet or the portfolio holder will need to consider the impact of those recommendations on the council's equalities' duties.

### **Resource implications**

9. As this report provides information only, it has no resource implications. However any recommendation made by the committee, if agreed by Cabinet or a portfolio holder, may create a resource implication. In this case, Cabinet or a portfolio holder will have to consider that resource implication when deciding whether to accept the recommendation.

### **Risk management**

10. As this report is for information only, it contains no risk assessment. However any recommendation made by the committee, if agreed by Cabinet or a portfolio holder, may create

a resource implication. In this case, Cabinet or a portfolio holder will have to consider that resource implication when deciding whether to accept the recommendation.

### Consultees

11. No consultations were carried out in the process of producing this report.

### Appendices

Appendix 1: Three Dragons – final report.

### Background papers

None identified.

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