

**STRATEGIC HOUSING BOARD – PROPOSED ADDITION TO THE  
CONSTITUTION**

Insert the following into the Cabinet Procedure Rules - Section 3: Advice and Consultation

**3.3 Strategic Housing Board**

The Strategic Housing Board will advise the Cabinet and Council on a range of proposals relating to housing strategy, tackling homelessness, enabling independent living, promoting residential growth, policies relating to all housing sectors, and the contribution housing needs to make towards the Council's Thrive ambition and delivery of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy (see Annex 2B).

**ANNEX 2B**

**Strategic Housing Board**

The Council has established the Strategic Housing Board which is a formal advisory committee.

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**Composition and Procedure**

a) Membership

The Strategic Housing Board will consist of 21 members as follows:

- Fifteen councillors (including the Chair and Vice Chair)
- Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board
- Chair of the Community Safety Partnership
- Three tenant representatives
- Three partner representatives.

The councillors are appointed by the Council.

The Council may appoint such other persons or representatives as it thinks appropriate having consulted the Strategic Housing Board.

The Strategic Housing Board may itself appoint such additional persons to be members of the Strategic Housing Board as it thinks appropriate.

b) Voting Rights

Each member of the Strategic Housing Board shall be entitled to vote at meetings.

The political balance rules will apply to the Strategic Housing Board.

c) Quorum

The quorum for a meeting of the Strategic Housing Board shall be one third of its members, no less than seven.

d) Frequency of Meetings

The Board shall meet on a bi-monthly basis or at such other times as the Strategic Housing Board shall determine.

e) Sub-committees of the Strategic Housing Board

The Strategic Housing Board may appoint one or more sub-committees to advise the Strategic Housing Board with regard to any matter relating to the discharge of its functions.

## **Role and Function**

As a formal advisory Committee of the Council, the Strategic Housing Board will consider and make recommendations on a range of proposals relating to:

- a) Housing Strategy;
- b) Residential and affordable housing development;
- c) Area based and housing led regeneration proposals and plans;
- d) Tackling homelessness, rough sleeping and specialist housing provision;
- e) Independent living;
- f) Ensuring regulatory and statutory compliance for the Council's homes;
- g) The management and maintenance of the Council's homes;
- h) Private sector housing;
- i) Locality planning, sustainability and management;
- j) Waste, environmental and community safety management;
- k) Social inclusion and community development;
- l) The tenant and wider community voice;
- m) Housing related planning policies and guidance;
- n) Partnership working with key stakeholders;

- o) Bids, relevant funding and investment plans;
- p) Housing's contribution to the delivery of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Thrive ambition.