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Cabinet

WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 18 APRIL 2024 AT 6.00 PM MEETING ROOM 1, ABBEY HOUSE, ABBEY CLOSE, ABINGDON, OX14 3JE

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Members of the Cabinet

Member	Portfolio
David Rouane (Chair)	Leader of the Council
Robin Bennett (Vice-Chair)	Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet member for economic development and regeneration
Maggie Filipova-Rivers (Vice-Chair)	Statutory Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet member for community wellbeing
Pieter-Paul Barker	Cabinet member for finance and property assets
Sue Cooper	Cabinet member for the environment
Andrea Powell	Cabinet member for corporate services, policy and programmes
Anne-Marie Simpson	Cabinet member for planning
Freddie van Mierlo	Cabinet member for climate change and nature recovery

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Vivien Williams

Head of Legal and Democratic (Interim)

11 Housing Delivery Strategy Update and Action Plan 2024/25 (Pages 3 - 4)

To consider the head of housing and environment's report.

To provide an update on the progress of the housing delivery strategy and its associated actions for 2022/23 and 2023/24. To propose a new action plan for 2024/25 to continue the ongoing work to increase affordable and suitable housing.

Recommendations:

- a) That Cabinet notes the changes in the national housing guidelines (or legislation) since the housing delivery strategy, and action plan, was adopted in 2022 and the associated impact that this has on the housing delivery strategy.
- b) That Cabinet notes the latest progress against the action plan, as well as the significant efforts made in purchasing of property under the Local Authority Housing Fund (LAHF) scheme.
- c) That Cabinet adopts the proposed new housing delivery strategy action plan for 2024/25.

Appendix 3

Registered Housing Provider update - South

Purpose of this appendix

- 1. To meet the requirements of the Housing Delivery Action Plan, items 1.5 and 1.8, as prescribed by the Housing Delivery Strategy.
- 2. To provide Cabinet with an update on information gathered from Registered Housing Providers (RPs).

Background

- 3. The Housing Delivery Strategy, and associated action plans, approved by Cabinet on 10 November 2022, requires that the council and Register Providers (RPs) of social and affordable housing with stock in the area are working closely together.
- 4. A request was made to known RPs operating the districts for information. This has been collated into the following general data which should be used for strategic purposes. It is not the aim of this data to identify specific properties, locations, issues or RPs, although where there are specific concerns, this will be addressed by housing officers. In addition it is possible that this information is incomplete as other RPs have not provided information, or have not been approached. Therefore the information will continue to evolve, and will be reviewed and updated on a periodic basis.

Housing stock data

- 5. It is important to ensure that the council has the most accurate information on the number, size and location of existing RP housing stock in the district. This can be used to confirm that specific properties are social/affordable housing, and who the landlord is; to enable a quicker and more direct resolution to enquiries; and to enable the development of relevant strategies. To this end, a request was made to supply the following stock data. The detailed stock data will not be shared with other RPs, or outside of the council, unless by agreement.
- Location (address)
- Number of bedrooms
- Approximate age of construction
- Adapted
- Types (house, flat etc)
- RPs store information in different ways and therefore information received was not complete in all fields and required some data manipulation to create a data set for analysis.

7. The number of sites by each RP in the district that responded to the request for information breaks down as follows.

Registered Provider	No of Properties
Aster	272
ВРНА	17
Clarion	142
Fairhive	48
Hastoe	11
Henley & District Housing Trust	75
Peabody	370
Places for People	11
Redkite	53
Sage	47
Silva	61
Soha	5381
Sovereign	1004
Stonewater	109
Grand Total	7601

8. The number of bedrooms is important, and the number of properties in each area with between 0 (bedsits) to 6 bedrooms is as follows.

No of 1 bed	No of 2 bed	No of 3 bed	No of 4 bed	Unknown	No of 5 bed	No of 6 bed
1758	3139	2471	211	20	0	3

9. The type of property is shown in the chart below.

Maisor	ettes Flat	Houses	Bungalow	Unknown
91	2196	4328	858	94

10. The types of tenure are also important.

		Shared	General		
Social rent	Affordable Dont	au va a va bi a	noods	A	Unknown tonuro
Social Telli	Affordable Rent	ownership	needs	Assured	Unknown tenure

11. The reason for any discrepancies in totals between the tables is because the council relies upon data spreadsheets provided by RPs, and not all fields may be completed by all RPs for all properties. This, and the fact that properties are being bought, built and sold on a frequent basis means that the data should only ever be used as a strategic guide rather than 100% accurate numbers.