DECISION SESSION - CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH, HOUSING AND ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES

TUESDAY, 24 JANUARY 2012

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Decision Session – Cabinet Member for Health, Housing and Adult Social Services held on Tuesday, 24 January 2012. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in a decision, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group no later than 4pm on the second working day after this meeting.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Catherine Clarke or Louise Cook.

4. THE AFFORDABLE HOMES FRAMEWORK Appendix C AND PROGRAMME 2011-15: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the introduction of the national Affordable Homes funding framework be noted.
- (ii) That the impact of the Affordable Rent model on existing and new housing association homes in the city be noted.
- (iii) That the investment in new affordable housing in York by housing associations during 2011-15 be welcomed.
- (iv) That option 4 to make changes to the affordable housing policy be noted in particular:
 - 1. Existing S106 and lease agreements, stipulate no change to current policy for social rented homes to remain on re-let as social rented.
 - 2. New S106 and lease agreements, stipulate that Affordable Rent levels are capped at no more than 60% of market rents for one bedroom homes and 55% of market rents

for two, three and four bedroom homes.

Reason: To give a clear and consistently applied policy steer so that housing associations, developers, the Homes and Communities Agency, council officers and other interested parties have clarity on the council's policies regarding the Affordable Rent model and it's application in York especially on S106 developments and on schemes developed on council owned land.

5. A REVISED REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR Appendix D SOCIAL HOUSING IN ENGLAND FROM APRIL 2012

RESOLVED: That option 1 be agreed:

To submit the letter at Annex 1, to ensure CYC's consultation response is considered prior to the new social housing regulator's approach being finalised.

Reason: To ensure CYC's consultation response is considered prior to the new social housing regulator's approach being finalised.