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MEETING	DECISION SESSION - EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR NEIGHBOURHOODS AND HOUSING.
DATE	15 FEBRUARY 2011
PRESENT	COUNCILLOR REID (EXECUTIVE MEMBER)

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**43. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Executive Member was invited to declare at this point in the meeting any personal or prejudicial interests she might have in the business on the agenda. She declared she had none.

**44. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - DECISION SESSION**

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

**45. REVIEW OF THE YORHOME SERVICE.**

The Executive Member considered a report that provided a summary of the progress made in the development of the 'YorHome' social lettings agency and discussed the viability of continuing with the service.

Officers gave an update and informed the Executive Member that the number of homes in the scheme had reached 50 and would be rising to 75 from 1<sup>st</sup> April, after a private landlord had requested to join the scheme. Officers stated that due to the successful management and growth of the scheme officers would be setting new targets and making growth alterations to the financial forecast for 2011/12.

RESOLVED: That option 2 be approved, to restructure the service and extend the scheme until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 with a review of progress in September 2011 which would include exploring the opportunities to create a holistic service for all irrespective of housing needs.

Reason: By maintaining the service the authority has an additional option in offering a comprehensive housing advice service. The service is vital in the authority's attempt to reduce the level of homelessness.

Cllr Ann Reid, Chair

[The meeting started at 4.00 pm and finished at 4.07 pm].