

Planning, Housing and Leisure Board 12 November 2013

ITEM 11

Report of the Strategic Director of Adults, Health and Housing

Overview of Affordable Housing in the city

SUMMARY

1.1 The report presents a number of appended papers which provide background and context for the delivery of affordable housing as well as illustrating the current delivery programme in the city.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note the increase in affordable housing delivery in the City in 2013/14 and beyond.
- 2.2 To note the report and appended papers, and endorse the City's approach to increasing affordable housing supply.
- 2.3 To make recommendations on future actions in relation to the delivery of affordable housing as the Board sees fit.

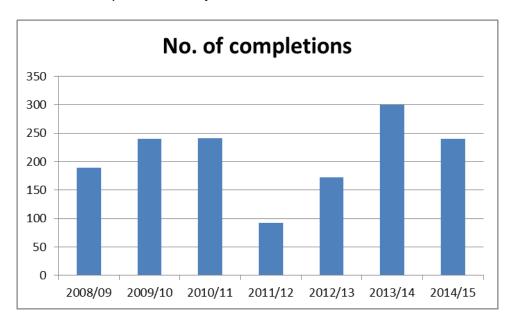
REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1 To ensure that members of the Planning, Housing and Leisure Board are fully informed of the context, background and delivery of affordable housing within the city, and have the opportunity to make recommendations on future actions.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 Affordable housing is a key priority for the Council. Delivery in the city is recorded under National Indicator 155 'Number of affordable new homes provided' and the Council has a target to deliver up to 300 affordable homes in the current financial year.
- 4.2 It is generally accepted that the need for affordable housing becomes more acute in times of financial pressure on household incomes.

- 4.3 There are two papers and a table appended to this report. The first paper (Appendix 2) provides a narrative overview of affordable housing in the city. From definition through to delivery and management. The paper also touches upon the planning policy context in respect of the delivery of affordable housing.
- 4.4 The second paper responds directly to specific enquiries from members of the Planning, Housing and Leisure Board.
- 4.5 The table at Appendix 4 (to follow) sets out the current affordable housing delivery programme within the city.
- 4.6 The graph below illustrates the historic and projected delivery of affordable housing, and for the current year can be viewed in conjunction with the table at Appendix 4. Completions from 2008/09 to 2010/11 were supported by the higher grant rates provided in those years. Although completions dipped in 2011/12, the Council has recovered and exceeded its previous delivery rates within the context of significant reductions in public subsidy.



OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 None.

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Background papers:	None
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications
	Appendix 2 – Overview of affordable housing.
	Appendix 3 – Response to specific enquiries
	Appendix 4 – Affordable housing table 2013/14 (to follow)

IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

1.1 None arising from this report.

Legal

2.1 None arising from this report.

Personnel

3.1 None arising from this report.

Equalities Impact

4.1 None arising from this report.

Health and Safety

5.1 None arising from this report.

Environmental Sustainability

6.1 None arising from this report.

Property and Asset Management

7.1 None arising from this report.

Risk Management

8.1 None arising from this report.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

9.1 A strong community.