

HOUSING AND SOCIAL INCLUSION CABINET MEMBER MEETING 1 December 2006



Report of the Corporate Director - Resources

HRA Business Plan and Budget 2007/08 - Consultation

RECOMMENDATION

1. To release the proposed consultation document on the Housing Revenue Account, HRA, Business Plan and Budget 2007/08, attached at Appendix 2 (To Follow).

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

2. The Council consults with Derby Homes, tenants, and the Community Commission on its HRA budget plan update each year.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 The timetable for consultation is set out below:
 - 1 December onwards Derby Homes Senior Management
 - 18 December or rearranged date HRA Strategic Working Party
 - 19 December City Housing Consultative Group
 - 15 January Community Commission
 - 7 February Cabinet pre agenda meeting
 - 20 February Cabinet meeting
- 3.2 It should be noted that the consultation document is drafted on the basis of the updated draft determination issued in November. The final determination is expected at some point during December. Should there be a material change to the figures, there may need to be changes made in the final report to Cabinet.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4. No alternative to consultation was considered. There are options within the strategy itself.

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Background papers: Draft determination Oct 06: Updated draft determination Nov 06

List of appendices: Appendix 1 – Implications

Appendix 2 – Consultation Document

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. Set out in the report.

Legal

2. The Council is required to set a budget for its Housing Revenue Account that balances and that charges costs appropriately to either the HRA or to the General Fund.

Personnel

3. None directly.

Equalities impact

4. Many of the Council's tenants belong to the Council's equality target groups.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. The objectives of **strong and positive neighbourhoods**, **protecting and supporting people**, and a **healthy environment** are all enhanced by the improvements in council house standards as a result of Decent Homes, and by any improvements possible through the Estates Pride programme.