

Housing and Infrastructure Board

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South Yorkshire Housing Framework

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Is this a Key Decision?	No
Has it been included on the Forward Plan?	Not a Key Decision

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Executive Summary

This paper provides an update on developing key elements of the draft South Yorkshire Housing Framework and seeks the Board's steer on the vision, key ambitions and priorities.

What does this mean for businesses, people and places in South Yorkshire?

The South Yorkshire Housing Framework will set out our collective vision, priorities and actions for delivering affordable, high quality and sustainable homes to live within South Yorkshire.

Recommendations

The Board is asked to note the presentation and comment on the key elements of the emerging draft South Yorkshire Housing Framework.

Consideration by any other Board, Committee, Assurance or Advisory Panel

South Yorkshire Housing Directors

11 August 2022

1. Background

- 1.1 In December 2021 the Board requested that a Housing Framework be prepared to set out the collective actions to address the strategic housing issues facing South Yorkshire. At the meeting of 29 June 2022 Board Members provided feedback on the scoping document which provided a draft outline of the proposed Housing Framework.
- 1.2 Work is continuing to develop the draft Framework, taking account of feedback received. The views of the Board are now invited on the presentation at Appendix A which provides further detail regarding developing key elements of the Framework, including the vision, ambitions, and priorities.

2. Key Issues

- 2.1 Appendix A sets out key elements that the Framework could cover relating to:
 - **Opportunities and challenges** - What are the strategic housing problems and issues which we are trying to resolve?
 - **Vision** - What are we seeking to achieve through the Framework?
 - **Ambitions and priorities** - Responding to the opportunities and challenges; what are our ambitions and priorities which will help us achieve our vision?
 - **Actions** - What are the detailed actions which need to be delivered to meet our priorities, ambitions and vision?
 - **Delivery** - How will SYMCA and its partners work effectively and collaboratively to deliver the actions?
 - **Monitoring and review** - How will we monitor delivery of the Framework and ensure that it continues to meet its purpose
- 2.2 It summarises the key strategic housing opportunities and challenges in South Yorkshire and presents potential elements that could be included in a draft vision for consideration alongside identifying our strategic housing ambitions and potential priorities.
- 2.3 It also highlights the role that the Housing Framework could play in contributing towards delivering a number of the commitments in the Mayor's manifesto.
- 2.4 Development of the Framework has been informed by input from the South Yorkshire Housing Directors. This Group, along with Homes England, Housing Associations and others, will provide further input as the Framework is developed to ensure that local priorities, collective actions and activities are appropriately captured and owned by Partners.

3. Options Considered and Recommended Proposal

3.1 Option 1

To support the continued development of a South Yorkshire Housing Framework and provide comment on the information at Appendix A..

3.2 Option 1 Risks and Mitigations

The key risk is securing commitment by all relevant partners to exploring collaborative options, and also identifying sufficient funding and resources to take forward new ideas and approaches to deliver on strategic housing opportunities. This is being mitigated through close working with partners in the development of the Framework.

3.3 Option 2

To not support the development of a South Yorkshire Housing Framework.

3.4 Option 2 Risks and Mitigations

The key risk of this approach is that there is no coherent strategic approach to identifying and developing collaborative opportunities for addressing strategic housing issues across South Yorkshire. This could lead to duplicated work and resources; missed opportunities for collaboration where strategic benefits could be realised; under-developed housing propositions which do not take advantage of shared knowledge, experience and economies of scale; and less funding and investment in housing and related infrastructure in South Yorkshire which would mean the housing needed to support the economy and social requirements is not provided.

3.5 Recommended Option

Option 1 is recommended as the most effective way to address strategic housing issues and maximise collective resources to deliver greater overall benefits for South Yorkshire.

4. Consultation on Proposal

Work to develop the Housing Framework has been informed by consultation with South Yorkshire Local Authority Housing Directors.

5. Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision

The comments and views of the Board will steer the development of the draft Housing Framework with the intention, subject to agreement, of providing an initial draft Framework to the next Board meeting in October 2022.

6. Financial and Procurement Implications and Advice

There are no financial or procurement implications directly arising from this report.

7. Legal Implications and Advice

There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

8. Human Resources Implications and Advice

There are no human resource implications arising directly arising from this report.

9. Equality and Diversity Implications and Advice

There are no equality and diversity implications arising directly arising from this report

10. Climate Change Implications and Advice

There are no climate change implications arising directly arising from this report, however positive impacts from a number of actions in relation to strategic housing issues could be significant.

11. Information and Communication Technology Implications and Advice

None as a direct result of this report.

12. Communications and Marketing Implications and Advice

None as a direct result of this report. There will be publicity opportunities for capital projects when delivered.

List of Appendices Included

Appendix A – Presentation: Progressing Development of a South Yorkshire Housing Framework

Background Documents

None