

Developing the South Yorkshire Housing Framework

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Housing Framework – Golden Thread

Work is progressing to prepare a draft South Yorkshire Housing Framework. The SEP has been a starting point and the focus has been on starting to identify the potential key elements which form the golden thread which will run through the Framework:

Opportunities and challenges	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are the strategic housing problems and issues which we are trying to resolve?
Vision	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are we seeking to achieve through the Framework?
Ambitions and priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Responding to the opportunities and challenges, what are the ambitions and priorities which will help us achieve our vision?
Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are the detailed actions which need to be delivered to deliver our priorities, ambitions and vision?
Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How will SYMCA and its partners work effectively and collaboratively to deliver the actions?
Monitoring and review	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How will we monitor delivery of the Framework and ensure that it continues to meet its purpose

Opportunities and challenges: South Yorkshire Housing Review 2020

The Review highlighted:

- Demographic pressures on the housing market in South Yorkshire.
- Affordability and quality of accommodation is lacking.
- Housing market is highly polarised and spatially segregated – impacting on social mobility and inclusion.
- Densifying town and city centres will help drive economic growth.
- Need the right type of housing in the right areas to meet the right needs

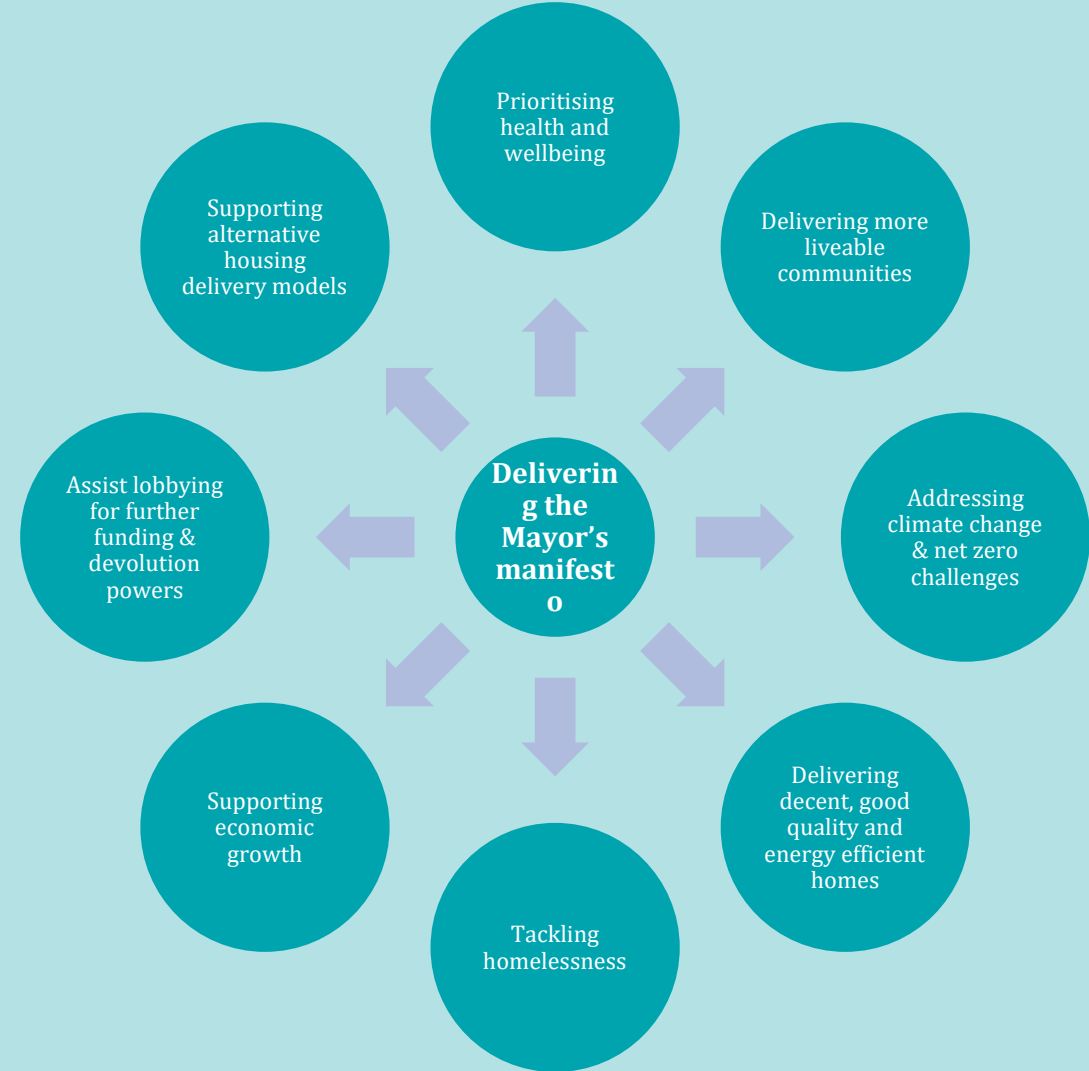
Review's 6 'propositions':

1. Densify urban centres and employment growth nodes especially the main urban centres.
2. Explore new innovative funding and delivery models to significantly boost housing supply
3. Improve the quality and affordability of private rented accommodation
4. Drive up the quality of design in housing and in placemaking
5. Consider spatial planning opportunities to help deliver productive and inclusive places to live and work.
6. Invest in net zero housing to improve quality, energy efficiency and kick start a green economy

Delivering the Mayor's Manifesto

The Housing Framework will play an important role in helping deliver the commitments in the Mayor's manifesto, particularly in relation to:

- strengthening our communities
- building our foundations
- supporting economic growth



Other opportunities and challenges

Engagement with Local Authority and Housing Association partners also highlighted further opportunities and challenges:

- Ensuring housing actions help communities respond to the cost of living and energy crisis
- Making best use of our existing housing stock, improving quality and energy efficiency and bringing empty homes back into use
- Creating attractive and successful places to live through regeneration of existing places, as well as by new development
- Working together to reduce and prevent homelessness within South Yorkshire
- Developing resilient communities with a focus on improved health, wellbeing and independence outcomes
- Balancing growth with sustainability, protecting and delivering new open spaces and delivering a net gain in biodiversity
- Increasing development in urban centres and areas around transport hubs, particularly on brownfield sites, as part of town and city centre restructuring and repurposing
- Creating a viable long term pipeline of available housing schemes

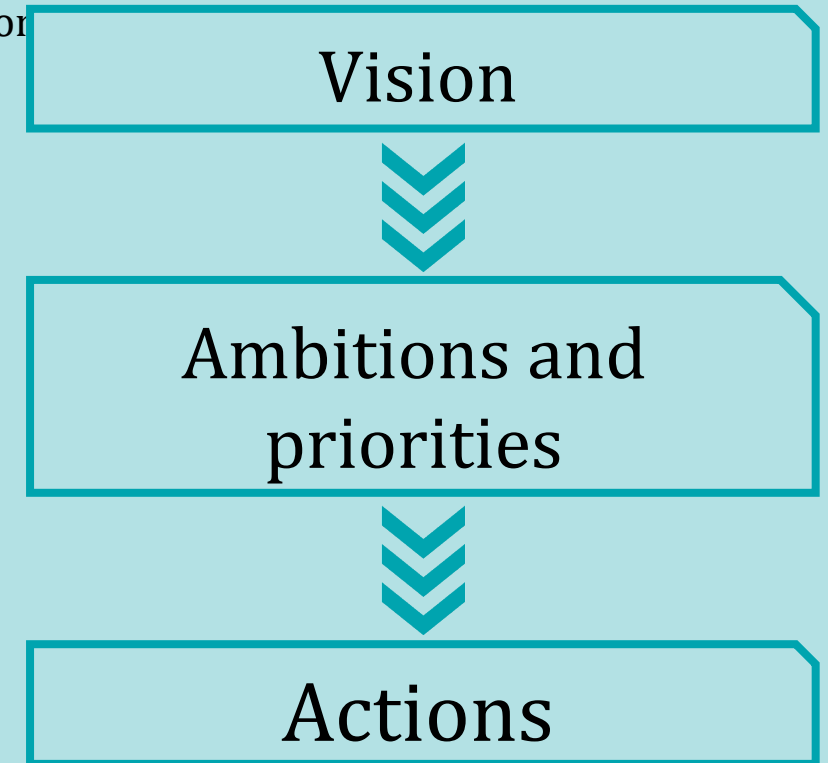
Vision

The Vision will set the overarching ambitions and direction for the Housing Framework

What are the key elements around which the vision should be framed?

For example:

- Climate change / net zero / energy efficiency
- Inequalities, health and wellbeing outcomes
- Affordability and cost of living
- Placemaking and delivering successful, quality places and homes
- Meeting community needs and wider socio-economic issues
- Supporting housing and economic growth
- Delivering the right types and tenures of homes in the right locations



Housing Ambitions and Priorities

The Framework will identify the housing ambitions and priorities that are required in order to deliver the Vision.

What should be the key housing ambitions and priorities for the Framework where SYMCA and Partners help deliver?

For example:

- Improving health and wellbeing of residents
- Supporting net zero by increasing energy efficiency and decarbonising the housing stock
- Tackling homelessness
- Improving the quality and liveability of existing homes and neighbourhoods, including a focus on placemaking to deliver attractive and successful places to live
- Delivering affordable new homes for sale and rent, in sustainable, well-connected, high-quality places
- Increasing the role of housing within area regeneration, particularly to support place restructuring within urban centres
- Supporting development of the private rented sector
- Delivering more new homes with high environmental standards, including through modern methods of construction
- Supporting local businesses to grow by taking advantage of 'green' agenda

Actions

SYMCA and Partners are already undertaking actions to deliver on housing agendas.

Are there actions where there is an opportunity to achieve much greater housing outputs and outcomes through strategic partnership working?

For example:

- utilising collective actions of the South Yorkshire Housing Partnership
- Identifying a long term pipeline of brownfield housing schemes
- Raising affordable housing requirements
- Improving data and intelligence on housing markets and barriers
- Delivering a comprehensive Modern Methods of Construction Ecosystem approach
- Delivering and investing in housing retrofit and decarbonisation
- Exploring new co-investment funding models
- Tackling homelessness through collaborative policy, strategy & actions

Delivery, monitoring and review

These elements of the Framework will be developed to clarify:

- How will SYMCA and its Partners will work effectively and collaboratively to deliver the actions.
- How will success in delivering the Framework be monitored.

Next Steps

- Continue to develop the Housing Framework in liaison with Local Authorities and the South Yorkshire Housing Partnership
- Prepare a draft Housing Framework for consideration at the next Housing and Infrastructure Board in October
- Prepare a final Housing Framework for comment and approval by the Housing and Infrastructure Board in December and the SYMCA Board in early 2023
- Simultaneously, continue to progress existing housing projects and programmes that contribute to the delivery of the emerging Housing Framework

Thank you

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