

The Council has identified three 'Key Pillars' that provide a strategic framework for progress in the city, aligned to the Best Council Plan. The Housing Strategy has a fundamental role in supporting each of these Pillars

# LEEDS CITY COUNCIL'S THREE PILLARS AND THE LEEDS HOUSING STRATEGY



**1**

**INCLUSIVE GROWTH STRATEGY**

The housing sector has a key role in supporting inclusive growth:

- Building more affordable homes
- Targeting investment to tackle poverty, e.g. COVID impacts, priority neighbourhoods
- Supporting strategic placemaking principles, ensuring that housing contributes to creation of local neighbourhoods
- Making assets work to support communities and growth through Asset Based Community Development
- Maximising digital inclusion
- Securing inclusive growth principles through employment and procurement in the housing sector
- Supporting economic recovery of city and local centres through housing

**2**

**HEALTH & WELLBEING STRATEGY**

The housing sector has a key role in supporting health and wellbeing:

- Supporting good mental and physical health through improved housing quality and affordability
- Providing age friendly housing which supports independence, self care and social inclusion
- Improving accessibility through supporting a 'prevention' approach, e.g. homelessness, rough sleeping, mental health, care leavers
- Ensuring that the housing environment enables people to be healthy, social and active
- Promoting strong, well-connected communities and pride in sustainable local neighbourhoods
- Maximising the benefits from technology to improve health and wellbeing linked to housing
- Ensuring that housing needs are met through integrated models of care
  - Supporting the system to respond to the impacts of COVID on health and wellbeing

**3**

**THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY**

The housing sector has a key role in supporting the Council's climate emergency ambitions:

- Building 'greener' new housing developments with stricter energy efficiency standards
- Supporting sustainable transport options as part of new housing developments
- Supporting strategic placemaking principles
- Decarbonation of existing housing stock and improving energy efficiency
- Reducing fuel poverty through improved heating and insulation
- Supporting wider climate and flood resilience through green infrastructure in areas of housing
- Supporting climate emergency ambitions through organisational service delivery and procurements, e.g. grey mileage, office estate
  - Supporting citizen engagement on climate emergency ambitions

## HOW THE HOUSING STRATEGY SUPPORTS THESE PILLARS

