



Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board (Environment and Neighbourhoods)

Date: 9th October 2009

Subject: Inquiry into Private Rented Sector Housing – Formal Response

Electoral Wards Affected: All

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 During 2008/2009, the Scrutiny Board (Environment and Neighbourhoods) conducted an Inquiry into Private Rented Sector Housing and published its report in May 2009. The Board's report is attached as Appendix 1.
- 1.2 It is the normal practice to request a formal response from the relevant Directorate(s) to the Board's recommendations, once a report has been published.
- 1.3 On 26th August 2009, the proposed response to the recommendations was submitted by the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods to the Council's Executive Board, who accepted the actions detailed in the response. This report is attached for the Board's consideration.
- 1.4 Members are asked to consider the responses provided and to decide whether any further scrutiny involvement is required.
- 1.5 Any recommendations which have not yet been completed will be included in future quarterly recommendation tracking reports to enable the Board to continue to monitor progress.

2.0 Recommendation

- 2.1 Members are asked to consider the responses provided and to decide whether further scrutiny involvement is required.

Background Papers

Scrutiny Board (Environment and Neighbourhoods) Inquiry Report on Private Rented Sector Housing. May 2009.