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**Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development**

**Report to Scrutiny Board (Regeneration)**

**Date: 10<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

**Subject: Inquiry on Housing Growth – Draft Final Report & Recommendations**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

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**Summary of main issues**

1. At the request of the Executive Board on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2011 Scrutiny Board undertook an inquiry on Housing Growth.
2. This inquiry has now been completed.

**Recommendations**

3. Members are asked to consider the Board's draft final report and recommendations following completion of its deliberations on this issue.

## **1.0 Introduction**

- 1.1 Scrutiny Board (Regeneration) has now completed its inquiry on housing growth. The Board is now in a position to report on its findings and its conclusions and recommendations resulting from the evidence gathered.
- 1.2 A copy of the draft final report along with a summary of the evidence considered during the inquiry is attached for Members consideration.

## **2.0 Corporate Considerations**

### **(a) Consultation and Engagement**

- 2.1 Scrutiny Board Procedure Rule 13.2 states that "where a Scrutiny Board is considering making specific recommendations it shall invite advice from the appropriate Director(s) prior to finalising its recommendations. The Director shall consult with the appropriate Executive Member before providing any such advice. The detail of that advice shall be reported to the Scrutiny Board and considered before the report is finalised."
- 2.2 The Directors of City Development, Environment and Neighbourhoods and Resources have been consulted and their advice and comments will be submitted to Members prior to their consideration of their final report.
- 2.3 Where internal and external consultation processes have been undertaken with regard to this particular inquiry, details of any such consultation is referenced within the inquiry report.

### **(b) Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration**

- 2.4 Where consideration has been given to the impact on equality areas, as defined in the Council's Equality and Diversity Scheme, this will be referenced within the inquiry report.

### **(c) Council Policies and City Priorities**

- 2.5 This section is not relevant to this report.

### **(d) Resources and Value for Money**

- 2.6 Details of any significant resource and financial implications linked to the Scrutiny Inquiry will be referenced within the inquiry report.

### **(e) Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In**

- 2.7 This report does not contain any exempt or confidential information.

### **(f) Risk Management**

- 2.8 This section is not relevant to this report.

### **3.0 Conclusions**

- 3.1 Scrutiny Board (Regeneration) has now completed its inquiry on housing growth. The Board is now in a position to report on its findings and its conclusions and recommendations resulting from the evidence gathered.

### **4.0 Recommendations**

- 4.1 Members are asked to consider the Board's draft final report and recommendations following completion of its deliberations on this issue.

### **5.0 Background documents**

Detailed in the Board's draft final report and recommendations on housing growth