

Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Housing and Regeneration Scrutiny Board

Date: 29th January 2013

Subject: Review of the ALMO Management Arrangements - Consultation

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Executive Board on 9th January 2013 considered the attached report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Customer Access and Performance) on a review of the ALMO Management Agreements.
- 1.2 The Executive Board at that meeting received assurances that measures would be introduced to ensure that response levels to the consultation exercise were maximised and that the implementation of the new arrangements would be done on an all-party basis, once the new arrangements had been determined. In addition, the Board received clarification on the status of the Tenant Management Organisations and considered the role of Scrutiny in the consultation process.
- 1.3 The Executive Board noted the progress made so far on the review and agreed that the following two options be taken forward to the next stage for consultation:
 - i) a move to a single company model (e.g. a single ALMO) with a retained locality delivery structure and strengthened governance arrangements; OR
 - ii) a move to all services being integrated within direct council control with a retained locality delivery structure and strengthened governance arrangements to include tenants and independent members

2 Consultation

- 2.1 Members of the Scrutiny Board are asked to consider and comment on the consultation arrangements.

3 Invitation

- 3.1 The Assistant Chief Executive (Customer Access and Performance), Mr James Rogers and the Executive Member, Neighbourhoods, Planning and Support Services, Councillor Peter Gruen have been invited to attend for this item.

4 Recommendations

- 4.1 The Scrutiny Board is asked to comment on the proposals and identify its role in the consultation process and what, if any, further scrutiny the Board wishes to undertake.

5. Background papers¹

- 5.1 None used

¹The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.