

CHELMSFORD CITY COUNCIL CABINET

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS – 10 October 2023

CALL-IN BY MONDAY, 16 October 2023, 5pm

Subject

Amendment to Housing Allocations Policy

Decision

RESOLVED to

1. Amend the wording of the policy to specifically allow the Strategic Housing Services Manager to make decisions on the allocation of housing provided through additional funding for specific purposes in general.
2. Change the wording of the policy to, "Allocations of social housing will be through the Housing Register in accordance with the provisions of the Allocations Scheme. The Council recognises that there may be some exceptional situations not covered by the Allocations Scheme. In such instances, The Strategic Housing Services Manager will have delegated authority to make decisions, as they consider appropriate, and these will be fully documented. This will include the allocation of homes that have been provided to meet the need of a specific group where funding has enabled an additional supply of homes specifically for this purpose."

Status

No call-in as yet.

Reason for Decision

Option 3 was the preferred option because it avoids the ambiguity of Option 1 and the operational problems of Option 2. The policy grants delegated authority to the Housing Services Manager in exceptional cases, this could be interpreted as events that are unforeseen and unplanned and therefore not apply to cases where additional homes are provided through funding to meet a specific purpose. Option 2 may need to be revised and updated as operational issues change, or new opportunities arise causing delay. Both of the other options could also create a risk of future challenges.

Action by

P Gayler

Subject

Mid-Year Budget Review and Financial Forecast

Decision

RESOLVED to

1. Note the update financial forecast and

2. Approve the actions recommended.

Status

No call-in as yet.

Reason for Decision

Approve the actions as recommended, as they will enable the production of a budget for 2024/25.

Action by

P Reeves