Report of the Chief Executive

HOUSING NEIGHBOURHOOD STRATEGY 2019 - 2022

1. <u>Purpose of report</u>

To seek Committee approval for a new Housing Neighbourhood Strategy. The Strategy sets out a new approach to managing neighbourhoods and engaging with residents on neighbourhood issues.

2. <u>Background</u>

The Council has traditionally used the tenancy agreement and an approach based around tacking individual problems in neighbourhoods rather than taking a holistic and strategic approach to neighbourhood management. The Housing Neighbourhood Strategy seeks to engender a new approach for tackling neighbourhood issues, including the establishment of 'Priority Neighbourhoods'.

In response to the social housing green paper: A New Deal for Social Housing, the Housing Neighbourhood Strategy links closely with the Housing Engagement Strategy in seeking to engage further with residents by using more informal methods of engagement to encourage involvement and provide feedback.

3. <u>Detail</u>

The Housing Neighbourhood Strategy outlines the following:

- Why the Council has developed a Housing Neighbourhood Strategy
- Details how the Strategy has been developed
- Explains how it will be delivered

The Housing Neighbourhood Strategy is supported by an action plan. This is split into actions that are to be completed in the first year and actions that are to be completed over the three years of the strategy. Progress will be reported annually to Housing Committee.

An Equalities Impact Assessment is appendix 1.

The Housing Neighbourhood Strategy is appendix 2.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that the Housing Neighbourhood Strategy be approved.

Background papers Nil