

## WEST KENT HOUSING ASSOCIATION PRESENTATION

Housing and Health Advisory Committee - 27 February 2018

Report of Chief Officer Communities & Business

Status: For Information

Key Decision: No

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**Executive Summary:** This report provides Members with an overview of the West Kent Housing Association's presentation on their work to deliver social housing in Sevenoaks District

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**This report supports the Key Aim of** providing the right support at the right time, reducing health inequalities and improving health and wellbeing for all

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**Recommendation to Housing and Health Advisory Committee:** That the information in the report be noted.

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### Introduction and Background

- 1 West Kent Housing Association is the largest social housing provider in Sevenoaks District. The social housing properties provided by West Kent Housing includes the social housing stock transfer from this Council in 1989.
- 2 West Kent Housing is one of the leading community providers of affordable housing in Kent. They aim to provide great places to live and space for people to grow, providing homes as a foundation for getting on in life and nurture communities.
- 3 West Kent Housing is part of the national Placeshapers initiative, an alliance of 100 housing associations who work together to strengthen communities of the future.

### Housing Director Presentation

- 4 Deborah White, Housing Director at West Kent Housing Association will present information to Members on the work and commitment of their organisation in Sevenoaks District.
- 5 The presentation will cover the following topics:

- Providing new homes and investing in the District - summary of recent homes delivered and updates on future house building projects
- Improving the lives of older people - details of their older people's Strategy and work to improve Emerald homes for older people
- Tenancy Agreements - updates on the agreements being delivered from April 2018
- Digital Plan - how West Kent are using digital resources and technology to improve lives
- Community activities - an overview of community work and activities across the Sevenoaks District

6 Members will be updated at the meeting with a presentation on this work.

### **Key Implications**

#### Financial

7 There are no financial implications for the Council associated to this report.

#### Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement.

8 There are no legal implications for the Council associated to this report.

#### Equality Assessment

9 No decision is required as part of this paper and therefore no perceived impact on end users.

### **Conclusions**

10 For Members to note the work of West Kent Housing Association as presented by their Housing Director.

**Appendices** None

**Background Papers:** None

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