Decision Number: 22 (2018/19)

Portfolio Holder Executive Decision Statement

The Local Authority (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Subject:

Local Lettings Plan for Oakley Park, St Johns Way, Edenbridge

Details of Decision taken:

The adoption of a Local Lettings Plan with West Kent Housing Association for the allocation 79 Affordable Rent homes at Oakley Park.

Reason for Decision:

To create and maintain a sustainable community at Oakley Park, to allocate homes with an even mix of groups as follows:

- economically active households where one or more members are employed on a permanent basis (full or part time). Priority will be given to households containing an applicant who is a Local Essential Worker;
- Applicants seeking employment;
- Applicants transferring from another social housing property due to overcrowding;
- Applicants that are seeking to downsize from another social housing property;
- Vulnerable applicants, on condition they have an appropriate support package in place with a recognised supporting agency.

This means the applicant with the highest housing need under the Sevenoaks District Housing Register Allocations Policy may not always be successful.

All Documents considered:

Local Lettings Plan for Oakley Park.

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Details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the Member when making the Decision: None
Financial implications: None
Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement; None.
Equality Impacts:
Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010, (ii) advance equality of opportunity between people from different groups, and (iii) foster good relations between people from different groups. The decisions recommended through this paper directly impact on end users. The impact has been analysed and varies between groups of people. The impact will be monitored by SDC's Head of Housing & Health and West Kent Housing Association, and any necessary variations agreed and made to the Plan.
Local Member (s), other Portfolio Holders and/or Directors/Heads of Service Consulted: None

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Details of any conflicts of interest

a) declared by any executive member who is consulted by the Decision Taker

b) and any details of dispensations granted by the Chief Executive in respect of any declared conflict

Decision taken by:	Portfolio Holder for Housing & Health
Signed by Portfolio Holder	
Date of Decision	11/02/19
Record made by:	George Lewis
Date of record:	17 April 2019