

## WEST KENT HOUSING ASSOCIATION UPDATE

Housing and Health Advisory Committee - 9 February 2021

**Report of:** Sarah Robson, Deputy Chief Executive, Chief Officer - People and Places

**Status:** For comment

**Key Decision:** No

**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.

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

**Portfolio Holder:** Cllr. Kevin Maskell

**Contact Officer(s):** Sarah Robson, Ext 7219

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

### 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. Their vision is to deliver places to live and space to grow for their current and future residents.
- 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 Any further Headings the author considers relevant.
- 4 Tracy Allison, Chief Executive and Cathy McCarthy, 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:
  - West Kent's plans and outcomes for 2020

- COVID-19 response and recovery, including housing services and community development
- Strategic partnership opportunities

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

### **Key Implications**

#### Financial

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

#### Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement

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

#### Equality Assessment

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

### **Conclusions**

For Members to note the work of West Kent Housing Association.

#### **Appendices**

None

#### **Background Papers**

None

**Sarah Robson**

**Deputy Chief Executive - Chief Officer, People and Places**