

Portfolio Holder Decision

Subject: To take forward plans to re-designate sheltered housing stock in West Kingsdown to general needs accommodation (subject to resident consultation).

Taken by: Portfolio Holder

Date of decision: 13/09/12

Details of Decision:

To approve the re-designation of the following properties from sheltered housing to general needs, subject to the outcome of resident consultation:

2- 8 Chancel Close / 47-53 Church Road / 55-61 Church Road / 63-69 Church Road / 71-77 Church Road

Documents considered:

Emerald Homes Accommodation Strategy (West Kent Housing Association, WKHA)

Reasons for Decision:

The housing need and demand analyses, carried out by WKHA in 2008 and 2011, highlighted that there is an excess supply of Emerald homes in the West Kingsdown area. In December 2011, the People and Property Committee at WKHA approved recommendations to reduce the number of Emerald homes in West Kingsdown by 24 x units (1-bed flats). There is a demand for 1-bed general needs, so this will assist us to meet ongoing housing need – particularly in light of upcoming welfare reform around under-occupation.

Local Member(s), other Portfolio Holders and/or Directors/Heads of Service consulted.

Pat Smith, Head of Housing and Communications

Kristen Paterson, Community and Planning Services Director

Signed by Portfolio Holder: 

Record made by:

Date: 13/9/12