

Resources and Public Realm Scrutiny Committee

15 January 2019

Report from the Director of Performance, Policy and Partnerships

Affordable Housing Task Group

Wards Affected:	All
Key or Non-Key Decision:	Non-key
Open or Part/Fully Exempt:	Open
No. of Appendices:	None
Background Papers:	None
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1.0 Purpose of the Report

1.1 This report set out the findings and recommendations of the Affordable Housing Task Group.

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 The Resources and Public Realm Scrutiny Committee review and agree the recommendations in the Affordable Housing Task Group report.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The task group held a series of evidence-gathering sessions with internal and external partners and experts.
- 3.2 In its work the task group sought to gain an understanding of the barriers and solutions to affordable housing delivery during an acute housing crisis, and following decades of declining delivery of genuinely affordable housing in the borough, across London and nationwide.

- 3.3 The group have reached wide-ranging conclusions about approaches the council should take and we have grouped our key findings under seven themes, as follows:
 - Affordable housing targets and viability
 - Corporate approach to affordable housing delivery
 - Estate regeneration
 - Land owned by public authorities
 - Industrial/employment sites
 - Small sites
 - Community led housing
- 3.5 After meetings and discussions the task group has made a number of recommendations. These are set out in the report.

4.0 Financial Implications

4. There are no financial implications arising from this report

5.0 Legal Implications

5.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report

6.0 Equality Implications

6.1 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

7.0 Consultation with Ward Members and Stakeholders

7.1 Ward members who are members of the Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee will be involved in scrutinising this report at committee.

REPORT SIGN-OFF

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