

Homes and Neighbourhoods
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Report of: Ian Swift, Director of Housing Operations

Meeting of: Housing Scrutiny Committee meeting

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Strategic Review of Overcrowding conducted by the Housing Scrutiny Committee during the 2022/2023 municipal year – Draft Recommendations

Summary:

This report outlines the draft recommendations from the Housing Scrutiny committee following an extensive strategic review of overcrowding in Islington over the last 14 months.

Recommendations:

- The Housing Scrutiny Committee is invited to comment on the attached draft recommendations and to critically challenge the service to ensure we meet the elected members ambition and aspiration to reduce overcrowding in Islington.
- The council consults with all partners to ensure the draft recommendations are owned by all partners in Islington
- The September 2023, Housing Scrutiny Committee considers and approves the recommendations following these consultations.

1. Introduction

1. The Housing Scrutiny Committee conducted an in depth strategic review of overcrowding in Islington and Appendix One to this report identifies the evidence considered during this extensive investigation.
2. Appendix Two to this report considers the draft recommendations for consideration by the Housing Scrutiny Committee in light of this evidence.
3. The Housing Operations service will consult all partners on the proposed recommendations to ensure these recommendations are imbedded into the work of all partners and provide the outcome of this consultation to the September 2023, Housing Scrutiny committee.

4. The Housing Operations service will also place these recommendations onto the Choice Based Lettings bidding web site and encourage comments from residents

5. Legal Implications

There are no known legal implications from this report.

6. Financial Implications

There are no known financial implications arising from this report.