



**REPORT of
DIRECTOR OF SERVICE DELIVERY**

**to
STRATEGY AND RESOURCES
6 OCTOBER 2022**

**MALDON DISTRICT COUNCIL HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING STRATEGY
EXTENSION**

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 to agree an extension to the Homelessness and Housing Strategy from 2018 - 2023 to 2018 - 2025.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- (i) That recommendations of the Councils Auditor BDO which advocated for the Council's Homelessness and Housing Strategy to be extended, be noted;
- (ii) that the proposed amendment and two year extension to the Homelessness and Housing Strategy so that Officers can continue to deliver against the objectives therein, be agreed.

3. SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 The Maldon District Council Homelessness and Housing Strategy (the Strategy) was first drafted in 2018 and contains a number of Actions which are essential ongoing functions as well as Actions yet to be delivered
- 3.2 The Strategy (at **APPENDIX 1**) includes a minor amendment to align the Strategy with the current Corporate Outcomes within the Councils Corporate Plan (page 8).

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1 Extending the Strategy will allow Officers to continuing delivering against the corporate objectives of the Council as set out in the Strategy on pages 61 – 66.

5. IMPACT ON STRATEGIC THEMES

- 5.1 The Housing Strategy supports the Councils Core Values of:
- Having a Customer Focus;
 - Being Ambitious;
 - Collaborating to Deliver.
- 5.2 The Housing Strategy further supports the Councils Place Thematic Strategy:

- Deliver the Housing the District Needs.

5.3 The Housing Strategy further supports the Councils Community Thematic Strategy:

- Working with our communities and partners to improve the physical health and well-being of our residents;
- Working with our communities and partners to improve the mental health and well-being of our residents;
- Building on the strengths of our communities and what they can do to support themselves and help each other to thrive.

6. IMPLICATIONS

- (i) **Impact on Customers** – The Housing Strategy continues to provide a framework within which Housing can shape and deliver services to Maldon and Burnham-on-Crouch residents.
- (ii) **Impact on Equalities** – None.
- (iii) **Impact on Risk** – Failure to have an active Homelessness and Housing Strategy could lead to the Housing delivering services inefficiently or against legislative policy.
- (iv) **Impact on Resources (financial)** – None.
- (v) **Impact on Resources (human)** – None.
- (vi) **Impact on the Environment** – None.
- (vii) **Impact on Strengthening Communities** - Successful delivery of Housing Strategy Projects will have positive outcomes for social/affordable housing delivery across the district.

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