

DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET – 16 MARCH 2005

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING

HOUSING OPTIONS APPRAISAL REPORT

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Cabinet that a report on the housing options appraisal is being considered by the Select Committee on the Environment on 10th March, 2005. Following that meeting, a further report will be circulated to Members of the Cabinet to enable full consideration to be given to making appropriate recommendations to the Council.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 The Directorate has undertaken a housing options appraisal to identify how it will meet the decent homes standard by 2010 and any other agreed objectives and priorities.

2.2 The work undertaken as part of the options appraisal has been pulled together into a draft report and the views of stakeholders sought. Stakeholders have included the Area Housing Panels, the options appraisal's Project Board, and the Dudley Federation of Tenants & Residents Associations (DFTRA). The draft report will be considered by the Select Committee on the Environment on 10 March 2005.

3.0 PROPOSALS

3.1 It is proposed that the Cabinet receive a further report, following the meeting of the Select Committee on the Environment on 10th March, 2005, and consider the submission of appropriate recommendations to the Council on the housing options appraisal.

4.0 FINANCE

4.1 There are no financial implications arising from the recommendation of this report. The additional report referred to in 3.1 will contain more detailed financial implications.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

5.1 This report has no direct implications for the Council's commitment to equal opportunities.

6.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 6.1 It is recommended that, on consideration of the report referred to in paragraph 3.1 above, the Cabinet make appropriate recommendations to the Council in relation to the housing options appraisal.

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