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Dear Councillor Sansome

Council Meeting – 22nd January 2020

Thank you for your question at the last Council meeting relating to the HRA. The Housing team continues to explore offsite or ‘modern methods’ of construction (MMC) as part of the solution to deliver new affordable housing – we believe MMC can deliver high quality, energy efficient home considerably quicker than traditional construction. However, we need to ensure we achieve the right balance between innovation, overall value for money, deliverability and long-term sustainability.

We have made a commitment to deliver a pilot of ten MMC bungalows and expect to complete these during 2020/21. We are also using offsite construction on our town centre apartments – between 69 and 75 apartments will be constructed offsite using steel by Fusion.

I hope this answers your question and we will provide further information to Members, possibly via a seminar later in the year. In the meantime if you have any questions please contact Jane Davies on jane.davies@rotherham.gov.uk, who heads the Strategic Housing and Development Service.

Yours sincerely,



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