

Single Conversation and Rotherham Draft Housing Strategy: 'Building Better Homes and Lives'

February 2010 Update

Suite of Documents Support the Single Conversation Process

- Investment Mapping
- Rotherham's Digest
- Revised Draft Housing Strategy

Digest Key Facts

Energy Efficiency;

- 110,528 homes
- Data only for 37,254
- 3052 (7.2%) = less than 100mm loft insulation but 26,000 unknown
- 27,000 private dwellings=0 cavity wall insulation (estimate)
- NI 187 survey links low SAP ratings to single pensioner households and 6,900 private households found in fuel poverty.

Ambitions of the Housing Strategy

- To make a strong contribution towards the economic transformation of Rotherham
- To continue to address frail and imbalanced housing markets and poor quality of place
- To meet targets for housing growth and affordable housing
- To improve the quality and accessibility of the existing stock
- Adapting to Climate Change

Phase One: 3 Workshops 25, 26 and 27 January

103 Attendees from:

- Neighbourhood and Adult Services
- Children and Young Peoples
- Planning
- EDS
- Third Sector
- Rotherham 2010
- Elected Members
- Developers
- NHS
- Homes and Communities Agency ... and many more

Feedback on Climate Change

- Existing stock=biggest issue.
- Incentives required to lead investment.
- Target Landlords .
- Spatial planning/design important.
- Conserve power and invest in variety of generation.
- Create jobs from investment.

Feedback on Other Themes

Sustainable Communities

- Invest in transport.

Affordable Housing

- Free up stock

Renewal

- Target landlords

Growth

- Use Brownfield Land

Phase Two: Consultation and Communication

- Speak with ADF Meetings and Area Assemblies as well as talks with Rotherfed & LSP Groups
- Invite comments via feedback forms and email
- Complete consultation in April 2010
- Final draft of Housing Strategy April 2010
- Governance & sign-offs – May 2010
- Publication – June/July 2010
- Complete Single Conversation - Autumn 2010

Rotherham's initial Workshop with The HCA will be on 27th April

Chief Executive and Directors will meet with the HCA, Government Office and Yorkshire Forward

- Scene setting
- Story so far (achievements)
- Getting to know the Borough
- Stats and 500 Babies
- Summarise the day's messages
- Emerging priorities

Contact Us

1. View all Single Conversation related material on the RMBC intranet:
2. <http://intranet.rotherhamconnect.com/C9/C7/Single%20Conversation%20Project%20Gr/default.aspx>
- 3.2. Contact Mary Swain for a hard copy/CD of the draft Housing Strategy on 01709 334957 or email mary.swain@rotherham.gov.uk