Improving Places Select Commission 9th July 2024

Housing Portfolio
Councillor Sarah Allen







HOUSING: People, Property and Place

- Estate Management
- Property Services
- Housing Allocations
- > Tenant Engagement
- Homelessness
- Strategic Housing and Development
- Inspection

Estate Management

- Led by Paul Walsh
- Three locality-based Housing teams
- Nearly 20,000 council properties
- One of top 20 Council social landlords in Country
- Tenancy Health checks
- Estate caretaking services

PROPERTY SERVICES

- Led by Lynsey Stephenson
- Repairs and Maintenance contracts
- Over 90,000 repairs per annum
- Fire, gas, lift compliance testing
- Exponential increase in damp and mould referrals
- Delivered by Mears and Equans

HOUSING ALLOCATIONS

- ✓ Housing Register 7,200 people
- Allocations Policy currently being reviewed
- Every individual's needs are assessed
- ✓ Placed in bands according to assessed housing need

TENANT ENGAGEMENT

- TPAS accredited exemplar status for work on this
- Partnership with Rotherfed
- Housing involvement Panel
- Tenant Satisfaction Measures

HOMELESSNESS

- Huge issue nationally
- Increases locally
- Emergency on the day provision
- Planned provision
- Individual support assessments
- Temporary accommodation

SOCIAL HOUSING REGULATOR INSPECTION

- ✓ New, proactive inspection regime
- Review of policy positions
- Compliance testing
- **▼ Tenant Satisfaction Measures**
- ✓ Professionalisation of Housing employees

