

Item No.2

KEY DECISION

Proposed to be made by
the Cabinet on
4th April 2012

LEAD MEMBER/ PORTFOLIO HOLDER Councillor Kit Taylor	ITEM Worcestershire Extra Care Housing Strategy 2011 - 2026	WARDS AFFECTED ALL
DOCUMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE DECISION TAKER 'Report of the Head of Community Services' REPORT AUTHOR Head of Strategic Housing	SUMMARY Worcestershire CC with District and Borough Councils has developed a strategy setting out a framework for the development of Extra Care Housing that covers all areas of Worcestershire. The strategy estimates that an additional 4,651 units of extra care housing are required across Worcestershire by 2026 to reflect the growing population of older people and the desire for people to continue to live in their own homes rather than residential care. The strategy which aims to make Extra Care Housing an increasingly well known and chosen form of accommodation for people that want to buy or rent, identifies local authorities as taking the leading role in encouraging providers from the social, charitable and private sectors to deliver the extra care housing required across Worcestershire. The strategy comes forward for the endorsement and approval of Members.	REASONS FOR BEING ON THE FORWARD PLAN Affects two or more wards within the District

CONSULTATION DETAILS	Method of Consultation	Consultation period or dates
<p>Stakeholders District Councils County Council Commissioners with an interest in Extra Care. Supporting People RSLs Providers of Extra Care Groups of senior citizens with an interest in housing.</p>	<p>The strategy has taken 'The Housing and Support Needs of Older Persons Assessment' that was carried out in 2009/10 and been developed through the involvement of a broad range of partners and stakeholders which included two focus groups of older people that were held in Bromsgrove Town and Alvechurch.</p>	<p>Dec 2011 – April 2012</p>
<p>DECISION TO BE MADE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH All district and Borough Councils within Worcestershire.</p>		

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