Housing Business Plan Targets Quarterly Monitoring Report - Service Delivery Scrutiny Committee 29 June 2005

	We Have	When	Outcome	Evidence/Review
1	Monitor reduction of stock			Debit Central Register
	Housing Stock Information			 Housing Management (Northgate) System
	As at 1.4.04 – 10515 As at 1.4.05 - 9697 Reduction of 818 broken down as follows:- Right to Buy's completed since 1.4.04 = 463			(Northgate) System
	Completed marketed properties since 1.4.04 = 84 Demolished = 144 Disposals for demolition by partners = 127			
	Total 818			
	Voids 489 voids of which (lettable 114 – non lettable 375)			
	Occupied Stock			
	As at 1.4.05 = 9208			
2	Housing Needs Survey and Stock Condition			
	All wards have now been re-scored taking account of stock condition and housing need.	October 2004	To inform area housing plans	 Stock Condition/Housing Needs Data
	An updated housing needs survey has been carried out by David Couttie.	December 2004		Scoring MatrixExecutive Minutes
	A joint presentation will be arranged on the results of the survey to Easington, Durham and Chester le Street	February/March 2005		
	 Initiated arrangements with the 3 	Completion by	Improved accuracy and	

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	construction Partners to undertake further condition surveys this year. This will be for a total of 900 dwellings (300 per company) and is approximately 10% of the stock The stock condition database is to be re-cloned to provide better data on non-surveyed dwellings.	March 2006 Completion by March 2006	currency of stock information.	
3	Continue to maximise all available funding sources			
	Quarterly reviews to Key Strategy and special needs Housing Forum			
	Regular progress meetings with selected partners for individual schemes.			
	Keep up to date with regular information from the regional housing board			
	Three Rivers			
	Phases 1 & 2A complete " 2B complete " 3 due to commence	December 2003 March 2005 June 2005		
	Trimdon – completed	April 2005		
	<u>DAMHA</u>			
	Seaham – 12 Bungalows completed			
	Peterlee – 16 Bungalows completed			
	Newcastle and Whitley			
	2 four bedroom bungalows – due for completion	July 2005		
4	Production of capital programme for the next	January 2005		

	5 years		
	Produced a medium term capital programme		Improved information availability. Direct link between work
	Existing software system replaced		completed and database enabling 'real time' update.
	Ensure information on stock condition relating to decent homes is available and up to date.		Improved data input, analysis and reporting.
		Completion by Dec 2005	More effective management of capital works programme Developed and realistic
	Initiated further work with the 3 construction Partners to develop a 3 year Decent Homes Programme with work anticipated to start January 2007 following 2 star inspection rating.		programme prepared in conjunction with partners to achieve the Decent Homes in 2010.
5	Work in conjunction with construction partners to meet the Decent Homes Target by 2010	Three construction partners selected November 2004	Long term strategic partnership (initially 5 years renewable up to 9 years)
			Compliance with 'Egan Principles for construction procurement including team working, respect for people and continuous improvement
			Long term approach enhances employment/training opportunities and acts as a buffer against skill shortages
	Work now underway to develop and agree	Completion by	Contractual

	Strategic Partnering Agreement and Partnering Charter with the 3 Construction Partners. This includes setting up sub groups to work on various aspects including resources and programming.	September 2005	arrangements in place in readiness for the Decent Homes Programme including assessment of resources required.		
6	Reduce the number of non lettable voids by 100 properties per year. Monitor stock numbers Continue partnership working through Key Strategy Group. Steering groups involving all stakeholders have been established for Argyle Place, Hawthorne Square and Edenhill.	Monthly Quarterly Monthly	 Consider solutions and Produce detailed plans to show timescales for reduction of stock. Organise consultation events for the wider community to obtain views and comments to feed into the final recommendation to BPWG and executive 	•	Business Plan Working Group minutes Key Strategy Group Minutes Minutes of steering groups and BPWG.

7	Work with EDH to help achieve 3* rating			
	Regular meetings held with Audit Commission and ODPM.			
	Service Improvement Plan monitoring group	Monthly	To monitor progress of plan and agree completion of	Minutes of meetings
	Performance Management working group	Monthly	the key actions	
	HQN commissioned to conduct 'critical friend' investigations of the housing service linked to A.C. report.		 Provide independent appraisal of the key areas for improvement. Report by HQN to be presented 13th June 	
8	Develop a 60/40 planned to responsive repairs system			
	Draft report on future delivery of planned maintenance	June 2004		Minutes of SMT
	Appoint a Planned Maintenance Manager	November 2004	Complete	
	Set up Batched Maintenance Section	November 2004	Complete	
	ConsultationFinalise Maintenance Structure	January 2005 May 2005	Ongoing	
	Implement New Maintenance structure	June 2005		Report to SMT
	Monitor Planned Responsive Split	Monthly		Report to DMT
	• Target 60/40	2010	Report to SMT	
9	Review lettings policies and introduce a choice based lettings system.			

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	•	Draft report on proposals agreed by members	October 2004		•	Report – minutes of meetings
	•	Benchmarking Visit to Manchester	December 2004		•	Briefing notes
	•	Detailed report to Members	Jan/Feb 2005		•	Report
	•	Consultation on report	February 2005		•	Minutes of meetings
	•	Staff training/office shutdown	Feb/March 2005			
	•	Implementation of Orchard Software System	April 2005		_	
	•	Existing applicants contacted for update	April 2005		• [Letter
	•	Visits to applicants for positive tenancy and Medical visits.	May/June 2005			
	•	Develop monitoring to ensure the policy Achieves the aims and objectives.	July 2005		• E	Briefing note.
10		Produce a resident Involvement Strategy and Tenants Compact				
	•	Steering groups established	Monthly		•	Minutes of meeting
	•	Strategy complete and agreed by Full Council	January 2005		•	Strategy Documents
	•	Tenant Involvement Compact complete and agreed by Full Council	January 2005		•	Compact Document
	•	Steering group to continue to meet=	Quarterly	To monitor and review the Compact document	•	Minutes

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