Housing Business Plan Targets Quarterly Monitoring Report - Service Delivery Scrutiny Committee 6th March 2006

	We Have	When	Outcome	Evidence/Review
1	Monitor reduction of stock			Debit Central Register
	Housing Stock Information			Housing Management (Northgata) System
	As at 1.4.04 – 9697 As at 13.2.06 – 9328 Reduction of 369 broken down as follows:- Right to Buy's completed since 1.4.05 = 295			(Northgate) System
	Completed marketed properties since 1.4.05 = 11 Demolished = 63			
	Total 369			
	Voids 433 voids of which (lettable 192 – non lettable 241)			
	Occupied Stock			
	As at 13.2.06 = 8895			
2	Housing Needs Survey and Stock Condition			
	Initiated arrangements with the 3 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.	Completed by March 2006	Improved accuracy and currency of stock information	
	The stock condition database is to be re- cloned to provide better data on non-surveyed dwellings.			

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3	Continue to maximise all available funding sources • Quarterly reviews to the LSP Housing Group – Action for Housing and Communities Group			
	Argyle Place, South Hetton bids have been submitted to the housing corporation for this scheme and the outcome should be known approximately February/March 2006	July 2005		
	Lee Terrace, Shotton Bid to provide 8 bungalows for Wheelchair users	July 2005		
4	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 Strategic Partnering Agreement and Partnering Charter with the 3 Construction Partners. This includes setting up sub groups 	Completion by September 2005	Contractual arrangements in place in readiness for the Decent	

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		to work on various aspects including resources and programming.			Homes Programme including assessment of resources.		
5		the number of non lettable voids by 100 ties per year. Monitor stock numbers Continue partnership working through newly formed group of key strategy and LSP Housing. Steering groups involving all stakeholders have been established for Argyle Place Hawthorne Square and Edenhill.	Monthly Quarterly Monthly	•	Consider solutions and produce detailed plans and reports to show timescales for reduction of non lettable voids. 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 Low demand Empty Property Strategy
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6	 Work with EDH to help achieve 3* rating Regular meetings held with Audit Commission and ODPM Service Improvement Plan Monitoring Group Performance Management Working Group HQN commissioned to conduct 'critical friend' investigations of the housing service linked to A.C. report. 	Monthly Monthly	 To monitor progress of plan and agree completion of the key actions Provide independent appraisal of the key areas of improvement. Report by HQN to be presented 13th June 	•	Minutes of meetings
7	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		
	Consultation	January 2005	Ongoing		
	Finalise Maintenance Structure	May 2005			
	Implement New Maintenance structure	June 2005		•	Report to SMT
	Monitor Planned Responsive Split	Monthly	Report to SMT	•	Report to DMT
	• Target 60/40	2010	•		

8	Review let	tings policies and introduce a choice based stem.			
		raft report on proposals agreed by embers	October 2004	•	Report – minutes of meetings
	• Be	enchmarking Visit to Manchester	December 2004	•	Briefing notes
	• De	etailed report to Members	Jan/Feb 2005	•	Report Minutes of meetings
	• Co	onsultation on report	February 2005	•	Minutes of meetings
	• St	aff training/office shutdown	Feb/March 2005		
		nplementation of Orchard Software ystem	April 2005		
	• Ex	xisting applicants contacted for update	April 2005	•	Letter
		sits to applicants for positive tenancy and edical visits	May/June 2005		
	• De	evelop monitoring to ensure the policy chieves the aims and objectives	July 2005	•	Briefing Note
		onitoring will continue and a review will take ace	April 2006		
	ch	ub Regional work is now ongoing to develop noice based lettings and this will be included the review in April		•	Minutes of Sub Regional Working Group
9	Produce a Compact	resident Involvement Strategy and Tenants			
	• St	eering groups established	Monthly	•	Minutes of meeting
	• St	rategy 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
•	Review of Strategy and Compact	April 2006		•	Issues paper to be developed
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