

## Implementation Executive

25<sup>th</sup> April 2008



### Large Scale Voluntary Transfer of Sedgefield Borough Council Housing Stock

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**Report of Stuart Crowe, County Treasurer**

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#### Purpose of Report

1 The purpose of the report is to present the receipt of a request from Sedgefield Borough Council for approval for the disposal of land to enable Sedgefield to apply to the Housing Transfer Programme. A copy of the report of the Chief Executive of Sedgefield Borough Council is attached setting out the detail.

#### Background

2 Until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009 Regulations require Authorities in County Durham about to be abolished to seek consent from the "Council of the County of Durham" to dispose of land in certain circumstances.

3 Sedgefield Borough Council are in the process of considering a large scale voluntary transfer of housing and associated land held within Sedgefield Borough's Housing Revenue Account to a stand-alone registered social landlord. Communities and Local Government have recently advised that Sedgefield Borough Council obtain agreement from the Implementation Executive before the work on the transfer progresses much further, even though the consent of the Council of the County of Durham is not technically required for Sedgefield to apply to the Housing Transfer Programme.

#### Conclusion

4 Officers in the County Council are now reviewing the documentation and will report to the Implementation Executive on 25<sup>th</sup> April with a view to enabling the Implementation Executive to make a considered decision on Sedgefield's proposal.

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