

Housing and Health Committee	
Meeting Date	5 th July 2022
Report Title	Handover report: Executive model to committee system
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Head of Service	Charlotte Hudson, Head of Housing and Communities
Lead Officer	Charlotte Hudson, Head of Housing and Communities
Classification	Open
Recommendations	The committee is asked to <i>note</i> the contents of the report.

1 Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report is intended to ensure that all housing and health committee members have a common understanding of the committee's remit, including the services it controls, and of current issues and large pieces of work relevant to that remit. Similar reports have been provided to all of the new service committees.

2 Background

- 2.1 Council agreed unanimously in October 2021 to move to a committee system of governance from the 2022/23 municipal year, and the new constitution was adopted in April 2022. The constitution establishes five politically-balanced service committees to undertake the decision-making on what would previously have been executive matters.
- 2.2 The housing and health committee has a number of areas of responsibility on which it is able to make decisions under delegation from council. These are set out in paragraph 2.3.2 of the constitution as follows:
- i. housing advice, homelessness prevention and housing register;
 - ii. affordable and social housing;
 - iii. disabled facilities grants, home improvements and Staying Put;
 - iv. empty dwellings;
 - v. private-sector housing support and enforcement;
 - vi. health inequalities;
 - vii. liaison with public health, health providers and adult social care;
 - viii. children and young people, including liaison with children's services; and
 - ix. child and vulnerable adult safeguarding

2.3 Appendix One provides committee members with some essential background information on some of these areas of responsibility.

3 Proposals

3.1 The committee is asked to *note* the contents of the report.

4 Alternative Options

4.1 As the report is for noting only, there are no alternative options.

5 Consultation Undertaken or Proposed

5.1 As the report is for noting only, no consultation has been undertaken or is proposed.

6 Implications

6.1 As the report is for noting only, there are no implications arising from the recommendations.

7 Appendices

7.1 Appendix One: Handover report

8 Background Papers

- Swale's [corporate plan 2020-2023](#)