

Appendix B- Housing Revenue Account Investment Strategy

Tenant Consultation

Members of the Tenants Readers panel were asked to comment on the Strategy. Questions posed and a summary of responses is provided below.

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The Housing Service is seeking your views on the enclosed Housing Revenue Account Investment Strategy. The Housing Revenue Account Investment Strategy sets out the investment priorities and associated expenditure over the immediate and longer term.

We would be grateful if you could consider the following questions and provide some brief comments.

1. **Clarity and Understanding:** How easy was it to understand the main points of this plan? Are there any parts that were confusing or unclear?
2. **Impact on Tenants:** How do you think this plan will affect you as a tenant? What changes or improvements do you hope to see as a result of this plan?
3. **Priorities:** Which parts of this plan do you think are most important for improving the lives of tenants? Are there any areas you think should be given more or less attention?
4. **Housing Needs:** Does this plan address the most important housing issues facing our community? Are there any specific needs or concerns that are not covered?
5. **Overall Opinion:** Overall, what are your thoughts on this plan? Do you support the proposed changes and investments?

Summary of main responses received

Overall responses received were positive highlighting that the strategy was clear and well-constructed.

Responses received questions the council's reliance on borrowing over the longer term. Asking for additional explanation of this requirement.

There was reference to the new Government, future and current policy requirements that might impact delivery.

There was a recognition of the pressures that staff face, in relation to personal wellbeing due to varied demands of the job.

There were comments about specific development opportunities that hadn't been included.

Acknowledgement that the priorities were reflective, especially in terms of safety and energy efficiency.