

COMMUNITY SCRUTINY
DATE: 29TH MARCH, 2018

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- details of the demographics of existing tenants and applicants wishing to become our tenants; and
- an outline of other options that are available to support older and disabled tenants to remain living independently in their own homes.

To consider and comment on the following issues:

- To note and provide comment on the information contained in this report.
- To confirm if any further work/information is required.

Reasons:

- To provide Scrutiny with an overview of current bungalow provision in the County to determine whether further work is required through the setting up of a Task and Finish Group.

To be referred to the Executive Board/Council for decision: NO

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:-

Cllr. Linda Evans (Housing Portfolio Holder)

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The context

This report has been requested by Community Scrutiny Committee as a pre-cursor to deciding whether to pursue a Task and Finish Group to examine the current provision of affordable bungalows within Carmarthenshire.

What is contained in this report?

The report provides information in relation to:

- Current demand, need and provision of affordable bungalows in terms of existing homes;
- Demographics of existing tenants and applicants wishing to become our tenants;
- The demand for affordable homes in the County generally and how the demand for bungalows compares; and
- Other options that are available to support older and disabled tenants to remain living independently in their own homes

Whilst the report, at this stage, is mainly descriptive it does highlight some key messages which the information is telling us. These are highlighted throughout the report.

Recommendations:

- **To note and provide comment on the information contained in this report;**
- **To confirm if any further work/information is required.**

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

YES – Provision of Affordable Bungalows in Carmarthenshire

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: Jonathan Morgan

Acting Head of Homes and Safer Communities

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

1. Policy, Crime and Disorder and Equalities

Whilst there are no direct policy issues associated with this particular report, some may result from any further work that may be identified. This will be subject to a further report.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Jonathan Morgan

Acting Head of Homes and Safer Communities

1. Local Member(s) - n/a

2. Community / Town Council - n/a

3. Relevant Partners - n/a

4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations - n/a

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of document	File Ref No.	Location that the file is available for public inspection
Carmarthenshire Homes Standard PLUS (CHS+) Business Plan 2018/2021 Affordable Homes Delivery Plan 2016-21	Housing General Files	Council website- Democratic Services