

# FAREHAM

## BOROUGH COUNCIL

2020/21  
Decision No.  
2254

### Record of Decision by Executive

Monday, 1 March 2021

<b>Portfolio</b>	Housing
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Fareham Borough Council Social Housing Rents Policy</b>
<b>Report of:</b>	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
<b>Corporate Priority:</b>	Providing housing choices

#### **Purpose:**

The purpose of this report is to seek approval of the draft Fareham Borough Council Social Housing Rents Policy.

In February 2019 the Government issued a Direction to the Rent Standard and a Policy Statement on Rents for Social Housing. These have enabled Local Authorities to be able to increase rents from 1 April 2020 by CPI + 1%.

In order to bring the legislation together, continue the delivery of affordable housing and provide transparency on how the Council sets rent for its properties, the Housing Department has produced a draft Social Housing Rents Policy.

The Housing Scrutiny Panel considered the report on 4 February 2021 and had no comments for the Executive.

An Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken and has not identified any impacts for the protected characteristics.

#### **Options Considered:**

The comments of the Housing Scrutiny Panel were taken into account in considering this item.

As recommendation.

#### **Decision:**

RESOLVED that the Executive approves the draft Fareham Borough Council Social Housing Rents Policy, as provided in Appendix A to the report, for publication.

**Reason:**

To detail how the Council set rent levels for its social and affordable housing properties.

**Confirmed as a true record:**

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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