

Record of Decisions

Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy

Decision Taker

Cabinet on 26 November 2024.

Decision

That the Cabinet recommends to Council:

That following the results of the consultation, the Torbay Homelessness and Rough Strategy 2024-2030, as set out in Appendix 1 to the submitted report, be approved.

Reason for the Decision

The Strategy was a legal requirement for the Council to publish a strategy informed by a homeless review of its area, at least every 5 years. Furthermore, the Strategy would better inform our communities, stakeholders and Members about what the Council and its partners were doing about local homelessness priorities and issues.

Implementation

The Cabinet's recommendation will be considered at the Council meeting on 5 December 2024.

Information

The Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy was the over-arching strategy that focused on the activities to address homeless in Torbay. It provided the context for other plans, policies and strategies, such as the Housing Strategy and the Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Strategy.

The current Strategy was produced before the pandemic, there had since been significant changes within the landscape of housing and homelessness. As such the document reflects the current needs within Torbay and the housing market.

An evidence review was undertaken to support the development of the Strategy resulting in the Strategy being more focused and succinct.

At the meeting Councillor David Thomas proposed and Councillor Tyerman seconded a motion that was unanimously agreed by the Cabinet, as set out above.

Alternative Options considered and rejected at the time of the decision

As a result of consultation with the public, partners and stakeholders the Council had taken on a number of comments and suggestions, amending the Strategy accordingly.

Is this a Key Decision?

Yes

Does the call-in procedure apply?

No

Declarations of interest (including details of any relevant dispensations issued by the Standards Committee)

None

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Signed: _____ Date: _____
Leader of Torbay Council on behalf of the Cabinet