



Title: **Issues Paper – Anti Social Behaviour and the Private Rented Housing Sector**

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1.	That measures should be taken to address the lack of confidence felt by those immediately affected by anti-social behaviour in the multi-agency work being carried out and that the Police and Crime Commissioner, once elected, be requested to prioritise the issue.	The peninsula Strategic Assessment prepared by all Community Safety Partnerships and the Police includes antisocial behaviour issues as a key priority. This strategic assessment will be provided to the Police & Crime Commissioner as part of a welcome pack. The PACT process is currently being reviewed and a new programme implemented to encourage engagement around reporting and feedback.	Nov 2012 Aug 2012	Fran Hughes	
2	That, in future rounds of annual budget setting, the impact of anti-social behaviour and poor housing standards on the wellbeing of local residents and the reputation of Torbay as a tourist destination be acknowledged and funded accordingly.	The recommendations from this Overview & Scrutiny report will be considered as part of the internal service review of the Community Safety Business Unit and subsequently part of the overall prioritisation of the budget for this service later in the year.	July 2012	Fran Hughes	

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3.	That the Council no longer invest in the Torbay Landlord Accreditation Scheme and that an arms-length partner to run the Scheme on a self-funded basis be vigorously pursued.	The Landlord Accreditation Scheme will no longer be promoted and will be closed to new applicants from July 2012. It will be superseded by Landlord Rent Deposit Scheme.	July 2012	Fran Hughes	
4.	That immediate consideration be given to the Business Case (appended to this report) on fast-track, targeted enforcement to tackle anti-social behaviour and improve the quality of private rented sector housing with implementation in the current financial year.	The recommendations from this Overview & Scrutiny report will be considered as part of the internal service review of the Community Safety Business Unit and subsequently part of the overall prioritisation of the budget for this service later in the year as additional resources will be required.	July 2012	Fran Hughes	
5.	That there be a continuation of targeted multi-agency intervention to promote a rise in standards of housing accommodation.	The partnership approach to addressing standards of housing accommodation will continue with existing resources.	Ongoing	Tara Fowler/Fran Hughes	
6.	That targeted selective and/or additional licensing of houses in multiple occupation be prioritised in the emerging Housing Strategy and that a Business Case for this be prepared as a matter of urgency.	The recommendations from this Overview & Scrutiny report will be considered as part of the internal service review of the Community Safety Business Unit and subsequently part of the overall prioritisation of the budget for this service later in the year as additional resources will be required	July 2012	Fran Hughes	