

## **PUBLICATION OF DECISION LIST NUMBER 21/21-22**

#### **MUNICIPAL YEAR 2021/2022**

Date Published: 6 September 2021

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— Claire Johnson (0208 132 1154)

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Ref	Decision Made by	Date of Decision	Part 1 or 2	Subject/Title of Report	of Decision	Affected Wards	Call-In & Date Decision must be called in by (If Applicable)	Number
1-22	Cabinet Member for Social Housing	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	Part 1	Draft Tenancy Strategy	KD 5374	All	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	1

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#### **LIST REFERENCE: 1/21/21-22**

## **SUBJECT TITLE OF THE REPORT:**

DRAFT TENANCY STRATEGY

Part 1 or 2 (relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by decision	Decision taken by	Date Decision comes into effect	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of decision (i.e. Key, Non-Key, Council, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call- in & Date to be called in by
Part 1	All	Cabinet Member for Social Housing	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	None	KD 5374	Helen Baeckstroem  Helen.Baeckstroem@enfield.gov.uk  Tel: 02081321006	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2021

## **DECISION**

AGREED subject to not being called in:

- 1. The Cabinet Member is asked to agree for the draft strategy to be published for public consultation.
- 2. A decision to approve the final strategy will be made by Cabinet, scheduled to take place in January 2022, after it has been further developed as a result of the public consultation.

# **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

1. The alternative option considered was to reduce the scale of the consultation to meet the minimum requirement detailed in Section 151 of Localism Act 2011. This is to give registered providers of social housing a reasonable opportunity to comment on proposals. However, given this strategy also recommends good practice for private landlords, letting agents and has a direct impact on residents, failure to consult with these groups could cost the council time, money and have a negative impact on its reputation including residents trust.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. The Localism Act 2011 places a duty on housing authorities to prepare and publish a Tenancy Strategy. Enfield's Tenancy Strategy must set out the matters Enfield Council and other Registered Providers of social housing in the borough are required to consider when developing or reviewing their own Tenancy Policies.
- 2. The draft Strategy sets out how we intend to use our formal powers and influencing role to set high standards for tenancies in the Borough so that Enfield residents live as healthily, safely, and independently as possible. It sets out requirements regarding lifetime tenancies for social housing and also recommends good practice for private landlords and letting agents in regard to the tenancy agreements they use.
- 3. The Localism Act (section 151) requires authorities to give private registered providers of social housing a reasonable opportunity to comment on proposals before adopting or making a major modification to a Tenancy Strategy. It also requires consultation with the Secretary of State and Mayor of London. Enfield is extending our consultation remit to include all residents (tenants and the general public) and private landlords/ letting agents. Therefore, our proposal is to commence a 12-week consultation on the current draft Tenancy Strategy.

## **BACKGROUND**

Please note that a copy of the Part 1 report is available on the Council's democracy pages. As the part 2 appendix contains exempt information it will not be available to press and public.