

**STRATEGIC HOUSING FUND SCRUTINY REVIEW - EXTRACT OF THE AUDIT AND
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD ON 15 JUNE 2021**

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Audit and Scrutiny Committee gave consideration to a report which presented Members the Strategic Housing Fund Scrutiny Review which had been undertaken as per the 2019/20 Scrutiny Plan. The Scrutiny Panel consisted of Councillors Sandy Taylor (Chair), George Freeman and Andrew Vennard with support provided by internal audit officers.
- 1.2 The Strategic Housing Fund was chosen for inclusion in the scrutiny priorities, as a review had been approved by the Community Services Committee in December 2018. It was agreed to continue existing funding for registered social landlords (RSL's) but extend it to community organisations in certain areas, thus reducing the risk of not providing affordable homes in areas that RSL's do not wish to develop.

The Audit and Scrutiny Committee agreed:-

1. the Draft Strategic Housing Fund Scrutiny Report; and
2. that the Strategic Housing Fund Scrutiny Report be presented to the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee for consideration.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee are asked to consider the Strategic Housing Fund Scrutiny Report attached at appendix 1.

(Reference: Report by Chair of the Strategic Housing Fund Scrutiny Panel, dated 15 June 2021, submitted)