

Decision No: CAB –

Forward Plan No:

This record relates to Agenda Item 247 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## **RECORD OF CABINET DECISION**

<b>DECISION-MAKER:</b>	CABINET
<b>PORTFOLIO AREA:</b>	PLACE
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	HOUSING ALLOCATION POLICY REVIEW
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	SYLVIA PECKHAM

### **THE DECISION**

- (1) That Cabinet recommends to Council that:
- (i) the proposals set out in paragraph 3.22 to 3.28 and also Appendix 3 be approved;
  - (ii) the Strategic Director, Place, be authorised to amend the Council's Housing Allocations policy to reflect the above changes; and
  - (iii) the Strategic Director Place and the Strategic Director People, be authorised to take all steps necessary or incidental to the implementation of the proposals in paragraphs 3.22 to 3.28, including making appropriate arrangements for assessments, referrals and reporting to Members as suggested in paragraphs 3.14 and 3.24 of the report.

### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

The recommendations reflect the outcome of consultation on the housing Allocations policy and officer review whereby the council give greater weight to its role as a Corporate Parent to care leavers and thus offer Band A housing priority to care leavers.

### **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

The alternative to the amendments would be for the policy to remain as per the current policy however this would not fully address the concerns raised by care leavers and their representatives.

We looked at the other councils in East and West Sussex in addition to some London Authorities Croydon, Westminster and Southwark. There is a mixture of what priority is awarded to care leavers, between Band A (or equivalent) and Band B (or equivalent). Full details are in Appendix 7.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

**CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD:**

**We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision**

**Date:**

19 April 2012

**Decision Maker:**

Councillor Bill Randall  
Leader of the Council

**Signed:**



19 April 2012

**Proper Officer:**

Mark Wall, Head of Democratic Services

**Signed:**



**SCRUTINY**

Note: This decision will come into force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of the meeting at which the decision was taken subject to any requirement for earlier implementation of the decision.

**Call-In Period** 19 – 26 April 2012

**Date of Call-in**

**Call-in Procedure completed**

**Call-in heard by**

**Results of Call-in**