ECONOMIC PROSPERITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

9 JULY 2019

PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING ENFORCEMENT POLICY

Report of the Director of People, Communications and Partnerships

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 To consider the Private Sector Housing Enforcement Policy for the regulation of housing and housing management standards in the private rented sector.

2. Background

- 2.1 On 18 June 2019, Cabinet considered and approved a Private Sector Housing Enforcement Policy. A copy of the report is attached for information.
- 2.2 The policy summarises the relevant legislation and the types of enforcement available and the approach the Council will take. It is designed to be fair to responsible landlords but capable of dealing with uninformed or rogue landlords to maintain and improve conditions within this sector.
- 2.3 The policy will be kept under regular review to ensure that it remains relevant and properly reflects local need and current legislation and guidance.

3. Current Position

3.1 Philip Scott (Principal Environmental Health Officer) will be in attendance to present the report and answer any questions.

4. Recommendation

4.1 The Committee is asked to consider and note the report.