

## Appendix A

### Proposed Scope of Scrutiny Review and Provision of Affordable Housing in Rural Areas

Scope of Review	Existing Information Sources	Further Work Required
<p>1 Review of existing policies and delivery arrangements for affordable housing in rural areas of Lewes District</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lewes District Local Plan (2003): policies RES 1, 2, 3, 9 and 10</li> <li>• LDC Supplementary Planning Guidance Note on the provision of affordable housing as part of new residential development (2003)</li> <li>• Planning Policy Statement 3: Housing (June 2011)</li> <li>• LDC Housing Strategy (2005) – under review</li> <li>• LDC Allocations Policy</li> <li>• Scale, location, delivery and management arrangements for rural affordable housing delivered in Lewes district 2001 – 11</li> <li>• South Downs Management Plan 2008 – 2013</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The views of stakeholders on existing policies, and delivery arrangements for rural affordable housing</li> <li>• Seek views from occupiers of recently completed rural affordable housing schemes in Lewes District.</li> <li>• Identify what has gone well, and what could be improved</li> <li>• Assess how delivery of rural affordable housing in Lewes district compares with other local authorities in Sussex and in the CIPFA “nearest neighbours” group.</li> <li>• Identify any reasons why other local authorities deliver different levels of rural affordable housing to LDC.</li> </ul>
<p>2 The need for affordable housing in rural areas of Lewes District</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LDC housing waiting lists</li> <li>• LDF Core Strategy background reports on housing need (2011); housing market (2008) and rural settlements (2011) in Lewes District</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The views of stakeholders on the extent and nature of need for rural affordable housing in Lewes District.</li> <li>• Whether National Park designation will affect the affordability of, and need for, rural housing</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategic Housing Land Availability Study (SHLAA) (2010)</li> </ul>	<p>in Lewes District.</p>
<p>3 The charging policy and financial environment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Planning Policy Framework (draft) (2011)</li> <li>• The Localism Bill, particularly the introduction of neighbourhood planning</li> <li>• The statutory purposes and duty of the South Downs National Park Authority</li> <li>• The Affordable Housing Programme 2011 – 15</li> <li>• Community Land Trusts</li> <li>• Community Right to Build</li> <li>• The “Home on the Farm” initiative</li> <li>• Changes to s106 agreements and the introduction of Community Infrastructure Levy</li> <li>• LDC Emerging Core Strategy (Sept 2011)</li> <li>• Review of LDC Housing Strategy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding the new policy and financial initiatives and their implications for provision of rural affordable housing</li> <li>• The effect of neighbourhood planning on the delivery of rural affordable housing</li> <li>• Identifying which of the new national initiatives are likely to have most potential in Lewes District</li> <li>• The effects of national park designation on the delivery of rural affordable housing</li> <li>• Identify the resources which would be necessary to deliver more affordable housing in rural areas (land, skills, finance, partnerships, etc)</li> <li>• Assist SDNPA in scoping out work on affordable housing for new South Downs Management Plan</li> </ul>
<p>4 Good practice on delivery of affordable housing in rural areas for other parts of</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lessons from rural affordable housing “beacon councils” (e.g. East Hampshire) and pilots on</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify key good practice points from other areas</li> </ul>

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England	various government initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delivery of rural affordable housing in existing English National Parks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider visits to see good examples rural affordable housing schemes in other areas</li> </ul>
5 Conclusions of review and recommendations for action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As above</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draw conclusions and develop policy recommendations for consideration by Scrutiny Committee, Cabinet and Council</li> </ul>