

Appendix B

Proposed Scope of Scrutiny Review and Provision of Affordable Housing in Urban Areas

Scope of Review	Existing Information Sources	Further Work Required
<p>1 Review of existing policies and delivery arrangements for affordable housing in urban areas of Lewes District</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lewes District Local Plan (2003): policies RES 1, 2, 3 and 9 • LDC Supplementary Planning Guidance Note on the provision of affordable housing as part of new residential development (2003) • National Planning Policy Framework (March 2012) paragraphs 47-55 and 159 • Scale, location, delivery and management arrangements for urban affordable housing delivered in Lewes district 2002 – 12 • South Downs Management Plan 2008 – 2013 (Lewes town only) • LDC Property Strategy (May 2012) • LDC Regeneration Strategy (April 2012) • Cabinet Report on Partnership working with Brighton and Hove City Council – Private Sector Leasing and Empty Homes (July 2012) • Data on Private Sector landlords providing rental 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The views of stakeholders on existing policies, and delivery arrangements for urban affordable housing • Seek views from occupiers of recently completed urban affordable housing schemes in Lewes District. • Identify what has gone well, and what could be improved • Assess how delivery of urban affordable housing in Lewes district compares with other local authorities in Sussex and in the CIPFA “nearest neighbours” group. • Identify any reasons why other local authorities deliver different levels of urban affordable housing to LDC.

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	housing in Lewes District	
2 The need for affordable housing in urban areas of Lewes District	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LDC housing waiting lists • LDF Core Strategy background reports on housing need (2011); and housing market (2008) in Lewes District • Strategic Housing Land Availability Study (SHLAA) (2010 and 2012 update) • LDC Older Person's Housing and Support Strategy (2010) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The views of stakeholders on the extent and nature of need for rural affordable housing in Lewes District. • Whether National Park designation will affect the affordability of, and need for, urban housing in Lewes town.
3 The changing policy and financial environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Planning Policy Framework (March 2012) paragraphs 47-55 and 159 • The Localism Act (November 2011) particularly the introduction of neighbourhood planning • The statutory purposes and duty of the South Downs National Park Authority (Lewes town only) • The Affordable Housing Programme 2011 – 15 • Community Land Trusts • Community Right to Build 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding the new policy and financial initiatives and their implications for provision of urban affordable housing • The effect of neighbourhood planning on the delivery of urban affordable housing • Identifying which of the new national initiatives are likely to have most potential in Lewes District • The effects of national park designation on the delivery of urban affordable housing in Lewes town. • Identify the resources which would be

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes to s106 agreements and the introduction of Community Infrastructure Levy • LDC Emerging Core Strategy (Sept 2011) and Submission Draft (late summer 2012) • Review of LDC Housing Strategy • HCA “Get Britain Building” programme (bringing forward stalled development sites) 	<p>necessary to deliver more affordable housing in rural areas (land, skills, finance, partnerships, etc)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can LDC position itself to better respond to opportunities for innovation in delivering housing in urban areas.
<p>4 Good practice on delivery of affordable housing in urban areas for other parts of England</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lessons from other urban authorities and pilots on various government initiatives • Delivery of urban affordable housing in towns in existing English National Parks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify key good practice points from other areas • Consider visits to see good examples of urban affordable housing schemes in other areas (e.g. Brighton & Hove, Eastbourne, Hastings) which may have potential in Lewes District
<p>5 Conclusions of review and recommendations for action</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draw conclusions and develop policy recommendations for consideration by Scrutiny Committee, Cabinet and Council