# Head of Procurement, Commissioning & Housing

# Strategic & Community Housing Core Housing Responsibilities

Strategic Housing

Community Housing

Supporting People

Major Adaptations Private Sector Housing Client role of the ALMO



## Strategic Housing

- Strategic Housing New Housing Delivery
  - Regeneration of Council owned land
  - Development of new properties
  - Affordability
  - Quality of Design



# Delivery of new housing

- Work with Planning and the HCA to bring forward key strategic sites in the Borough
- Work with Registered Providers to ensure Southend continues to be an attractive place for investment to bring forward new housing
- Identification of Council owned land to bring forward housing as well as ensure s106 contributions are maximised.



## Private Sector Housing

- Achieving & Maintaining Decent Homes Standards
  - Enforcement
  - Private Sector Renewal Housing Grants
  - Empty Dwelling Management Orders
  - Inspections
  - Regulation of Private Rented Lettings
  - HMO Licensing
  - Disabled Facility Grants



# Improving the quality of the existing stock

- Continually review housing stock to improve quality and ensure Decent, Healthy & Environmentally Sustainable homes across all tenures
- Improve the quality within the private sector housing stock through licensing, enforcement, grants, loans and accreditation
- Use legislation to bring long-term Empty
   Properties back into use

# Community Housing

- Housing Need-Supply/Demand
  - Homelessness
  - Housing Options
  - Housing Register
  - CBL
  - Major/Minor Social Housing Adaptations
  - Supporting People



# Meeting the housing needs of Southend more vulnerable residents

- Promote greater accessibility to different types of housing and independent living for vulnerable groups and continue to work to prevent homelessness
- Explore methods to meet housing need whilst providing priority for working households and local residents
- Introduce Local Lettings Policies
- Introduce and review nomination agreements with Registered Providers and take into account new affordable rent and flexible tenancies
- Production of Homelessness prevention Strategy to ensure the maintenance of low numbers in temporary accommodation



# Meeting the housing needs of Southend more vulnerable residents

- Ensure multi-agency working with organisations
- Work with planners, developers etc.. to ensure the specific needs of individuals with specialist housing requirements are met alongside general needs affordable housing
- Work with providers of housing to achieve the correct mix of accommodation types and tenures
- Ensure adapted properties are matched with households requesting adaptations
- Continued improvement and development of the Supporting People programme
- Ensure housing needs of older persons are reflected



#### Client role of the ALMO

- Effective monitoring the performance of the ALMO to ensure it is a high performing organisation
- Oversee the Management Agreement
- Ensure the maximisation of the Council's stock to the best use
- Support and encourage the ALMO in respect of New Business Ventures
- Monitor the Housing Revenue Account
- Seat on the ALMO Board



## Commissioning & Procurement

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Corporate Procurement

Strategy &
Planning
Vulnerable
Adults &
Children
Workforce
Development

Performance & Information

Schools
Capital &
Access

## Commissioning

- Develop Strategies & Commission services across Adults & Children
  - Older People/Carers
  - Learning Disability
  - Mental Health
  - Dementia
  - Autism
  - Physical & Sensory Impairment
  - Children
  - Transition Planning



### Commissioning/Corporate Procurement

#### Schools Capital & Access

- Manage Schools Place Planning and Forecasting
- Manage Schools Capital Programme
- Deliver Schools Admission Process

#### Corporate Procurement

- Manage the Corporate Procurement Team to deliver VFM contracts in accordance with the Procurement Plan across the whole of the Council
- Develop and implement a fit for purpose Procurement Strategy ensuring local and national requirements are met.

