Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Agenda Item No.

Report of Corporate Director for People

to Cabinet on 10th November 2015

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Review of Arm's Length Management Organisation (ALMO) – South Essex Homes – Reference back from Council 22nd October 2015

People

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee Executive Councillor: Councillor Norman Part 1 (Public Agenda Item)

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To consider the reference back of Cabinet Minute 260 by Council on 22nd October for further consideration of the length of the proposed Management Agreement with South Essex Homes (SEH).

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Cabinet is asked to consider the reference back from Council.

3. Background

- 3.1 On 22 September 2015, the Cabinet received a report (which had been considered by the Housing Working Party on 16 September) proposing an extension to the Management Agreement with South Essex Homes (SEH) together with a supplementary paper setting out the rationale for extending the Agreement for a 3 year period.
- 3.2 The Cabinet resolved that the Agreement be extended for a further 3 year period from 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2019. The matter was referred up to Council by Policy and Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on 15 October in accordance with standing order 39.
- 3.2 The relevant reports/minutes are attached as follows:

Appendix 1 – Minute of Housing Working Party, 16th September 2015 – SEH.

<u>Appendix 2</u> – Report of Corporate Director of People – Review of Arm's Length Management Organisation (ALMO) – SEH.

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<u>Appendix 3</u> – Supplementary note to report of the Corporate Director of People.

<u>Appendix 4</u> – Minute of meeting of Policy and Resources Committee, 15th October 15th 2015 on SEH.

- 3.4 At the meeting of Council on 22nd October, the length of the proposed Management Agreement was referred back for further consideration. Therefore the Cabinet now needs to review the matter and make a decision.
- 3.5 In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15e(ii), the call-in procedure does not apply to matters which have previously been the subject of call-in.

4. Other Options

As set out in the report of the Corporate Director for People to the meeting of Cabinet, 22 September 2015.

5. Reasons for Recommendations

To respond to the request of Council

6. Corporate Implications

6.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities

The provision of good tenancy management to Council tenants contributes to the Council's aims of safe, clean and healthy.

6.2 Financial Implications

As set out in the report of the Corporate Director for People to the meeting of Cabinet, 22nd September 2015.

6.3 Legal Implications

A revised legal agreement will be required.

6.4 People Implications

None at present.

6.5 Property Implications

None at present.

6.6 Consultation

None required.

6.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

No specific implications.

6.8 Risk Assessment

The extension of the Agreement protects current good performance.

6.9 Value for Money

To allow for further potential efficiencies

6.10 Community Safety Implications

None.

6.11 Environmental Impact

None.

7. Background Papers

None.

8. Appendices

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