

Performance, Finance and Customer Focus Overview and Scrutiny Committee



Date of meeting:	15 November 2023
Title of Report:	Homelessness
Lead Member:	Councillor Chris Penberthy (Cabinet Member for Housing, Cooperative Development, and Communities)
Lead Strategic Director:	Gary Walbridge (Interim Strategic Director for People)
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Your Reference:	
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

To provide an overview of the homelessness challenges in Plymouth and the co-ordinated response to address the challenges for the information and consideration of the Scrutiny Committee.

Recommendations and Reasons

That the Performance, Finance and Customer Focus Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

- I. Note the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected

No alternative options as this is an update report for the Committee.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

Plymouth Plan Policy HEA8 - "Focusing on the tackling and prevention of homelessness, including rough sleeping, and its wider impact."

Also relates to the following in the Corporate Plan: Minimise the impact of the cost of living crisis and build more homes – for social rent and affordable ownership.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

There are no additional implications for the MTFP from this overview report. Growth has been built in to the MTFP for future years in line with anticipated demand within the service.

Financial Risks

There are no additional financial risks to be noted from this overview report. At Month 6 Community Connections was reporting a pressure of £2.423m relating to emergency accommodation.

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

This report has no environmental implications.

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.

Appendices

*Add rows as required to box below

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A	Homelessness Briefing Report							

Background papers:

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Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are unpublished works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based.

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Sign off:

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Matt Garrett											
Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes											
Date agreed: 02/11/2023											
Cabinet Member approval: Councillor Chris Penberthy by email											
Date approved: 02/11/2023											

