

Meeting: Integrated Housing Board

Date: 14 June 2010

Report Title: Move-on Strategy 2010-15 and Rough Sleepers

Strategy 2010-12

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1.Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval and agreement from the Integrated Housing Board of Haringey's:

- Move-on Strategy 2010-15, action plan, consultation report and Equalities Impact Assessment
- Rough Sleepers Strategy 2010-12, action plan, consultation report and Equalities Impact Assessment.

Strategies, actions plans, consultation reports and equalities impact assessments are attached.

2.Summary

- 2.1 The IHB have led on the delivery of these strategies which expand on the work already being done through the Homelessness Strategy 2008-2011. Through a partnership approach strategies seek to improve the lives of some of the most vulnerable homeless groups in Haringey.
- 2.2 For the **Move-on Strategy 2010-15** we used Homeless Link's Move-on Plans Protocol (MOPP) audit to establish the number of people stuck in short-term supported accommodation plus the barriers to moving on. This has given us real data not just relying on anecdotal evidence.

The strategy will:

- free up valuable provision for those that need accommodation based support
- ensure that effective support and accommodation pathways are put in place at the front end for clients leaving hospital or care and need to move into short term supported accommodation

The strategy has 5 key aims:

- 1. Increase move-on through the development of effective Partnerships
- 2. Develop accommodation and support pathways

- 3. Provide targeted advice and accommodation options for clients in short-term supported housing
- 4. Develop a range of new initiative to increase access to housing solutions
- 5. Sustain move-on by encouraging independence
- 2.3 The **Rough Sleepers Strategy 2010-12** will seek to ensure that Haringey reduces and sustains the number of people sleeping rough in the borough to as close to zero as possible by 2012. By bringing together all agencies dealing with rough sleepers we aim to provide effective support in terms of detox programmes and to facilitate reconnection to country of origin in case of rough sleepers with no recourse to public funds.

The strategy has 6 key aims:

- 1. Partnership development
- 2. Early intervention
- 3. Prevention and emergency accommodation services
- 4. Contact and assessment through outreach
- 5. Accommodation and support pathways
- 6. Specialist interventions and pathways to independence
- 2.4 The action plans for both strategies has been developed by each of the strategy working groups. The plans will be monitored annually and a progress report will be presented to the IHB. We will publish this report on our website.
- 2.5 The strategies are due to go to Cabinet for final sign-off on 13th July 2010

3.Legal/Financial Implications

3.1 None identified

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 That the IHB note the outcomes from the consultation process
- 4.2 That the IHB approve and agree (subject to any last minute amendments from CLG):
 - the Move-on Strategy 2010-15, action plan, consultation report and Equalities Impact Assessment
 - Rough Sleepers Strategy 2010-12, action plan, consultation report and Equalities Impact Assessment.
- 4.3 That the IHB monitor the deliver of the action plan

5. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

An EIA has been undertaken for each of the strategies. They have been

presented to the Council's Urban Environment Equalities Forum for comments and approval.

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Use of Appendices:

Appendix 1 – Move On Strategy – Foreword to Strategy

Appendix 2 – Move On Strategy – Strategy Document

Appendix 3 – Move On Strategy – Equalities Impact Assessment

Appendix 4 – Move on Strategy – Consultation Report

Appendix 5 – Rough Sleepers Strategy - Foreword to Strategy

Appendix 6 - Rough Sleepers Strategy – Strategy Document

Appendix 7 - Rough Sleepers Strategy – Equalities Impact Assessment

Appendix 8 - Rough Sleepers Strategy - Consultation Report