

REPORT TO: Executive Board
DATE: 20 October 2022
REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director People?
PORTFOLIO: Adult Social Care
SUBJECT: Halton Housing Trust: Annual Report
WARD(S): Borough wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report provides an update on Halton Housing's activities since the last report to Executive Board on the 14th October 2021.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That Executive Board Members note the report.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Neil McGrath, Deputy Group Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officer will attend the meeting to present the report. He will be accompanied by other members of the Halton Housing Executive Team and Board.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no policy implications arising from this report.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None identified.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

6.1 Children and Young People in Halton

None identified.

6.2 Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton

Halton Housing is a major employer in the Borough, employing around 330 staff. It employs 10 apprentices.

6.3 A Healthy Halton

A quality, affordable, and safe home plays a key part in the health of individuals. Halton Housing provides 49% of the social housing within the Borough. It is a member of the One Halton Board. Halton Housing has supported the Council with its response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

6.4 A Safer Halton

Halton Housing has a key role to play in the management and resolution of anti-social behaviour (ASB) and works in partnership with the Council and other bodies to address issues. It has signed up to the multi-agency approach to tackle serious organised crime and ‘county lines’ operating in Halton.

6.5 Halton’s Urban Renewal

Halton Housing is an active developer of new homes within the Borough. It is also a member of the Runcorn Town Board and is actively involved in the regeneration of Runcorn town centre.

7.0 RISK ANALYSIS

7.1 Regular meetings between the Halton Housing and the Council take place to discuss a range of issues and to explore risks.

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

8.1 Halton Housing provides homes for people who cannot purchase their own home or rent from the private sector. It also supports the Council in its aim of reducing homelessness.

9.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

None identified.