

## HOUSING ACTION PLANS FOR 2007-2008

## Housing Priority One - Meeting Affordable Housing Needs

Priority Order	Proposed Action	Milestone	Responsible Officer	Partners/Agencies	Resources
1	The completion of 40 new affordable homes during 2007 /2008.		Housing Services Manager	Partner RSL's	Single Housing Capital Pot Housing Corporation Capital Programme
2	Support bids to Housing Corporation	ongoing	Housing Services Manager	Partner RSL's	Housing Corporation Capital Programme
3	Complete district wide housing needs/housing market survey.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Housing needs/housing market assessment to be considered during 2005 after the launch of the Regional Housing Strategy.</li> <li>Commission survey Summer 2006.</li> <li>Complete Survey by Spring 2007</li> </ul>	Housing Services Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Partner RSL's</li> <li>Developers</li> <li>Private Sector Landlords</li> </ul>	Planning Delivery Grant
4	Complete Countywide assessment of Gypsy and Traveller housing needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interim Findings October 2008</li> <li>Final Report December 2008</li> </ul>	Principal Housing Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Authorities</li> <li>RSLs</li> </ul>	Government Funding
5	Implement the Worcestershire Local Area Agreement for Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To contribute to the County total of 77 units of affordable housing built on land owned by members of the Worcestershire Partnership in both 07/08 and 08/09.</li> <li>To contribute to the County total of 60 new renewable domestic energy installations by use of District Council funding in both 07/08 and 08/09.</li> </ul>	Housing Services Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>W.C.C.</li> <li>Worcestershire District Councils</li> <li>Countywide Stakeholders</li> </ul>	Staff Time Decent Homes Grant Funding Single Capital Pot Housing Corporation Capital Programme

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## Housing Priority Two - Tackling Homelessness and Providing Housing Options

Priority Order	Proposed Action	Milestone	Responsible Officer	Partners/Agencies	Resources
1	Review and negotiate the current homelessness housing advice and Waiting List Contract with Community Housing Group	September - December 2007 renegotiate the contract <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council approval November 2007</li> <li>New contract in place by 1 April 2008</li> </ul>	Head of Planning, Health and Environment  Housing Services Manager	WFCH Local Stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff time</li> <li>Dependent upon outcome of review current budget</li> </ul>
2	Implement a new Choice Based Lettings Scheme.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WFDC Council Approval July 2007</li> <li>CBL live April 2008</li> </ul>	Housing Services Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RSLs</li> <li>Other Worcestershire Authorities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff time</li> <li>CLG Grant</li> <li>Existing revenue budgets</li> </ul>

**Housing Priority Three - Maintaining the independence of older and vulnerable people through housing and support**

<b>Priority Order</b>	<b>Proposed Action</b>	<b>Milestone</b>	<b>Responsible Officer</b>	<b>Partners/Agencies</b>	<b>Resources</b>
1	Implementation of the Worcestershire Supporting People Strategy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submission of priority supported housing bids by RSL Partners - November 2007</li> </ul>	Housing Services Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Worcestershire County Council</li> <li>Worcestershire District Councils</li> <li>Worcestershire PCT's</li> <li>West Mercia Probation Service</li> </ul>	Staff time

## Housing Priority Four - Improving Conditions within Private Sector Housing

Priority Order	Proposed Action	Milestone	Responsible Officer	Partners/Agencies	Resources
1	Review the Council's Private Sector Housing Policies.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete by March 2008</li> </ul>	Principal Environmental Health Officer (Housing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Worcestershire Social Services</li> <li>Wyre Forest PCT</li> <li>WFCH</li> <li>Housing</li> </ul>	Staff time
2	Refresh the Wyre Forest Affordable Warmth Strategy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Refreshed Strategy and Action Plan by October 2007</li> </ul>	Senior Health and Sustainability Officer.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wyre Forest PCT</li> <li>Energy Efficiency Advice Centre</li> <li>Age Concern</li> <li>SAAFA</li> <li>WFCH</li> <li>Sure Start</li> <li>Hereford and Worcester Fire Brigade.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff time</li> <li>Private Sector Grant budget</li> </ul>
3	Achieve a 6% improvement on April 2004 figures in domestic energy efficiency in Wyre Forest by March 2007.	Achieve a cumulative improvement in domestic energy efficiency of : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2% by March 2005</li> <li>4% by March 2006</li> <li>6% by March 2007</li> </ul>	Senior Health and Sustainability Officer.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WEEAC</li> <li>Wyre Forest Affordable Warmth Steering Group</li> <li>Private Sector Housing Team</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff time</li> <li>Private sector housing budget</li> </ul>
4	Carry out a stock condition survey of private sector housing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scoping exercise to be carried out by Worcestershire Local Authorities to consider a joint survey. Scoping to be agreed by April 2005.</li> <li>Survey to be commissioned by end 2006.</li> <li>Survey to complete August 2008</li> </ul>	Principal Environmental Health Officer (Housing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Worcestershire Authorities</li> </ul>	£50,000

5	Review of the Council's Flood Defence Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated Plan approved by Council November 2007</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Environment Agency</li> </ul>	
6	To ensure that 70% of vulnerable people in the private sector live in Decent Homes by 2010.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>66% by March 2008</li> <li>68% by March 2009</li> <li>70% by March 2010</li> </ul>	Principal Environmental Health Officer (Housing).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Worcestershire Care and Repair Agency.</li> <li>Voluntary Sector Agencies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff time</li> <li>Single Housing Capital Pot</li> </ul>