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**To: Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4)**

**Date: 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**Subject: Adoption of Rough Sleeping Strategy 2019-24**

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**1 Purpose of the Note**

- 1.1 To provide recommendations for the Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4) on the draft Rough Sleeping Strategy 2019-24

**2 Recommendations**

- 2.1 The Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4) is recommended to:

- 1) Consider the content of the draft Cabinet Report and draft strategy, alongside consultation results to be presented at the meeting.
- 2) Identify any comments or recommendations to be included as part of the consultation on the draft Rough Sleeping Strategy

**3 Information/Background**

- 3.1 The Council is required by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) to publish a Rough Sleeping Strategy by December 2019. Following engagement with key stakeholders, a draft Strategy and Action Plan 2019-24 was widely consulted on from 18<sup>th</sup> September to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019. The results of this are still being analysed, but will be presented at the scrutiny meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> November.
- 3.2 The Rough Sleeping Strategy will be presented to Cabinet for approval on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019. The draft report to be completed once the consultation responses have been fully analysed is attached as an appendix, as has the draft strategy.
- 3.3 The Rough Sleeping Strategy focuses on three main principles:
1. To prevent new people from starting to sleep rough
  2. To intervene rapidly when people start to sleep rough to help them off the street
  3. To promote a person's recovery once they are off the street to build positive lives and so they do not return to rough sleeping
- 3.4 Attached are the following:
- Appendix A - Draft Cabinet Report for 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019
  - Appendix B – Rough Sleeping Strategy 2019-24

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