

South Kesteven District Council

Appendix A Action Plan

Priority 2 -- the prevention of homelessness and promoting choice across the spectrum of housing National Priority East Midlands Regional Priority Eastern Sub-Regional Priority Local Priority Supporting: South Kesteven Community Plan 2009 - 2009 Priority 2 Affordable housing and infrastructure Theme 5 outlined by the Government for Local Area Agreements – Sustainable Communities and Housing South Kesteven Council's Corporate Priority – A – Affordable housing and Category B – Vulnerable Persons						
Task	2006 Milestone & Future targets	Lead officer & Key partners	Resources	Monitoring arrangements	links to the Imp Plan	links to other priorities
Involvement in the Lincolnshire Homeless Forum	produce a Lincolnshire Homelessness Strategy and action plans by 2006	HSTL, SPO	staff time, commitment of £2k from each local authority	quarterly BVPI, monthly HODG, monthly PI reporting to the Management Board		
Joint working with CAB to offer housing advice	establish a SLA with CAB by June 2006,	HSTL, CAB	£18,500 a year funding for the SLA	quarterly monitoring returns from CAB		
Joint working with East Lindsey and CAB	start on the joint project by June 2006	HSTL, CAB, East Lindsey District Council	£26,000 of 2-year Homeless Innovation Funding	quarterly monitoring returns from CAB		
Enhance homeless prevention through operational management	prevent 60 homelessness in 06/07, 80 in 07/08	HSTL, SPO, all partners	homelessness Priority Funding, Homelessness Innovation Funding, B&B budget	quarterly BVPI, quarterly Homeless Forum		
Involving wider stakeholders and users in service improvement	public consultation in June 2006	HSTL, all partners	staff time	quarterly Homeless Forum, quarterly customer satisfaction survey		
Pursue accommodation for single people over 25	4 units in Grantham 06/07	PPO, Nottingham Community Housing Association	staff time, seeking alternative funding (a Housing Corporation bid for £825k was not successful)	monthly reporting to HODG	H4	

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Develop extra care development in Bourne	deliver the scheme 06/07	PPO, LACE	staff time, Housing Corporation £4.1m, land provided at nil value £350k	monthly reporting to HODG	H4	1
Living options for people with physical disabilities, linking learning disabilities units with physical disabilities units	establish a new SLA or protocol by June 2006	PPO	staff time	monthly reporting to HODG	H4	1
Expanding the NACRO provision	2 additional units by June 2006	PPO	staff time, Partnership Agreement	monthly reporting to HODG	H4	1
Offering housing options for people fleeing DV	feasibility study on Sanctuary scheme, prepare implementation plan	HSTL, PPO, Community Safety team, Police, CDRP, SPO	staff time, Homeless Priority funding	quarterly Homeless Forum, quarterly BVPI, quarterly P1E	H4	
Continuing with rent deposit scheme	improved policy in place by June 2006	HSTL, SPO, private landlords	£30K a year	quarterly BVPI, quarterly Homeless Forum		1
Feasibility study of Private Leasing Scheme	Feasibility study completed by Dec 2006	SPO, HSTL, private landlords	staff time, research & training	monthly reporting to HODG		1, 3
Addressing equality & diversity, and strategically plan and deliver services to account for equality & diversity, and customer satisfaction	monitoring system in place by June 2006, undertake initial equality impact assessment on all new policies from May 2006:	SPO, Housing Solutions Manager, Tenancy Services Manager, Human Resources (equality & diversity)	staff time, research & training, Corporate interpretation and translation services	quarterly Multi-cultural Awareness Forum, regular customer monitoring forms	A5, D3, 4, HS3	
Offering interpretation and translation services	completing staff training on using language services by June 2006	Housing Solutions Manager	staff time, training	quarterly customer satisfaction survey	A5, D3, 4, HS3	

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Develop an action plan to meet needs of Gypsies/ travellers	establish baseline data 06/07; agreeing an action plan with neighbouring authorities	SPO	staff time, training	monthly reporting to HODG	D3	1
Provide adaptations to people's homes to enable independent living and offering choice to people whose homes are not suitable for their circumstance	offering Home Improvement Agency services in the district by Oct 2006	HSTL, HIA, Supporting People, Repair & Improvement Manager	£300k of DFG, £50k of renovation grant, £600k of HRA & £30k for HIA, all for 2006/07; HIA could seek an additional £40k from supporting people	monthly reporting to HODG, quarterly local PI, quarterly reporting to Social Services regarding DFG	A5, D3, H6	1, 3
Increasing floating support services in the district	offering floating support to all tenures by Jul 06	PPO, HSTL, SPO	Homelessness Priority Funding	quarterly reporting to LSP		1
Remodel Council's bedsits to offer more desirable housing options	reduce the number of hard to let bed sits by 80% by 2010	Tenancy Services Director	£765k identified within 30 year HRA Business subject to LSVT	monthly reporting to HODG		1
Ballot tenants of LSVT	ballot completed by autumn 06 and high turnout achieved	Corporate Director, tenants and member working groups, LSVT project team & consultants,	£1m	LSVT Tenants Working Group		1, 3
Using Council stock more effectively through promoting choice and mutual exchange	explore choice based lettings scheme with the aim to implement in 2007 subject to LSVT	Tenancy Services Manager	staff time, innovation funding	Tenants Participation		1

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Encouraging tenants engagement through promoting choice	continuous support to the Tenants Compacts	Tenancy Services Manager	staff time, surrounding LSVT	Tenants Participation		
Continuous consultation with residents on housing and neighbourhood solutions through the community planning process	improve residents engagement	Corporate Director, SPO	staff time	Tenants Participation, quarterly LSP consultation	A6, 7	