

### **DERBY HOMES SUCCESSION POLICY**

Report of the Head of Housing Management

#### **1. SUMMARY**

- 1.1 Derby Homes's currently work to DCC's policy on succession which is approved by Council cabinet. This policy covers all DCC owned properties that are managed by Derby Homes.
- 1.2 Over recent years, Derby Homes have started to build and acquire properties in their own right. These properties are let using assured and assured shorthold (starter) tenancy agreements which are different than those used for DCC owned properties. It is therefore important that there is a policy to reflect succession in relation to Derby Homes owned properties.

#### **2. RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 2.1 To approve the Derby Homes Succession policy

#### **3. REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 To ensure that Derby Homes has a succession policy that reflects the properties it owns.

#### **4. MATTER(S) FOR CONSIDERATION**

- 4.1 Derby Homes tenancies are let on an assured short hold (starter) and assured basis. The new policy (appendix one) lays down the rights to succession that apply to those tenants under the current legislation.

#### **5. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 5.1 None

### **IMPLICATIONS**

#### **6. COUNCIL IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 None, this policy is for Derby Homes owned properties

## **7. EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA)**

- 7.1** This is not applicable as this policy must be implemented in accordance with current legislation.

## **8. POLICY REVIEW IMPLICATIONS**

- 8.1** This is a key policy of Derby Homes and will included in the Key Policy Review Schedule. It will be due for a full review in November 2025.

## **9. LEGAL & CONFIDENTIAL**

- 9.1** The policy considers all relevant legislation on succession.

The areas listed below have no implications directly arising from this report:

Financial and Business Plan  
Consultation  
Personnel  
Environmental  
Health & Safety  
Risk

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Background information:

List of appendices:  
Appendix 1 – Updated Tenancy  
Policy

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