### Mid Devon District Council Scrutiny Proposal Form

(This form should be completed by Member(s), Officers and / or members of the public when proposing an item for Scrutiny).

Note: The matters detailed below have not yet received any detailed consideration. The Scrutiny Committee reserves the right to reject suggestions for scrutiny that fall outside the District Council's remit.

| Proposer's name and designation  | Gordon Czapiewski, District<br>Councillor, Tiverton Lowman<br>ward   | Date of referral                 | 25    |
|--|--|----------------------------------|-------|
| Proposed topic title   | Social Housing Review  |                                  |       |
| Link to national, regional<br>and local<br>priorities(Corporate Plan)<br>and targets | Statutory duty to provide social housing of a suitable standard  |                                  |       |
|  | Is MDDC housing, and housing   | supplied to MDDC, suitable, safe | e and |
| Background to the issue  | sustainable?   |                                  |       |
| List main points this report should cover (What do you want to achieve?)             | <ol> <li>What are the relative advantages and disadvantages for: a) traditional builds and b) Modular builds?</li> <li>Is maintenance ongoing, to appropriate standards and sustainable, both economically and environmentally, for MDDC social housing stock and housing recommended by MDDC?</li> <li>Are there any known structural or environmental issues with MDDC social housing stock and any social housing stock used by MDDC residents?</li> <li>What are the comparative long terms maintenance costs for traditional and Modular builds over the life of a property?</li> <li>Will Right to Buy apply to modular build properties?</li> <li>What are the selling and Right to Buy opportunities and risks for traditional builds and for Modular builds?</li> <li>What is the anticipated lifespan of a social housing property?</li> </ol> |                                  |       |
| Should this be referred to the appropriate PDG/ Committee?                           | Homes PDG  |                                  |       |

| What degree of priority is | 3 |
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| this issue?                |   |
| 1 = Urgent 2= High         |   |
| 3=Medium 4=Low             |   |

#### Mid Devon District Council

### Proposing an item for the Scrutiny Committee Work Programme

# Step 1

Member of Committee / Cabinet / Council / Officer/Residents raise an issue that they feel could be included in the Scrutiny Work Programme. A **Proposal form** should be completed and forwarded to the Scrutiny Officer.Residents can access the form online or contact the Scrutiny Officer directly.

## Step 2

Individual Members and residents can bring forward a proposal or issue to the Scrutiny Committee for consideration. Initially, if required, the Scrutiny Officer will discuss the suggestion in more detail with the proposer and confirm any details and/or work up a more detailed proposal making sure there are clear outcomes identified.

## Step 3

- The Scrutiny Committee will take a vote on whether the proposal warrants investigation. During the discussion, members will be supported in ensuring that all proposals clearly demonstrate:
  - Where they will add value to the work of the Council or to our communities
  - Resources available to address the issue
  - Ability to make a distinct and positive impact through the scrutiny function
  - Topics that are timely and relevant, but not already under review elsewhere

## Step 4

- If Committee agree, item will be included in the Work Programme either way, decision (and reasons) will be communicated to the proposer.
- Following this recommendation a discussion on how to progress the issue will be made by the Committee.
- The Scrutiny Committee will decide when the item is included in the Scrutiny Committee Work Programme.