

Homes PDG Risk Management Report - Appendix 2

Report for 2017-2018

For Homes - Cllr Ray Stanley Portfolio

Filtered by Flag: Include: * CRR 5+ / 15+

For MDDC - Services

Filtered by Performance Status: Exclude Risk Status: Low

Not Including Risk Child Projects records or Mitigating Action records

Key to Performance Status:

Risks: **No Data (0+)** **High (15+)** **Medium (6+)** **Low (1+)**

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Risk: Affordable and Council Housing Demand Housing supply does not meet local demand or reflect demographic shifts like increased demand for single occupancy

Effects (Impact/Severity): • Increased costs for paying for private accommodation to house homeless
• Increase in number of homeless people in Mid Devon

Causes (Likelihood): • Impact of economic downturn and reduced funding has reduced number of affordable housing units being built
• Under-occupation in existing stock
• Reduction in number of Right to Buys results in less HRA funding available for new builds

Service: Housing Services

Current Status: Medium (12)	Current Risk Severity: 4 - High	Current Risk Likelihood: 3 - Medium
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Head of Service: Nick Sanderson

Review Note: There is still a significant deficit between permissions granted and build-out rates

Risk: Evictions Tenants being evicted could become violent.

Effects (Impact/Severity):

Causes (Likelihood):

Service: Housing Services

Current Status: Medium (10)	Current Risk Severity: 5 - Very High	Current Risk Likelihood: 2 - Low
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Head of Service: Claire Fry

Review Note:

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Risk: Five year housing land Supply Risk: Housing land supply. Inability to demonstrate the required 5 year housing land supply (+20%) until Local Plan Review in place

Effects (Impact/Severity): Effects (Impact /severity):

- Receipt of speculative housing applications in unplanned locations with less community benefit and less infrastructure / coordination compared with allocated sites.
- Objections
- Pressure on major application appeal performance (Government indicator of quality of decision making). Risk of intervention: loss of fee and less local control over major application decision making.

Causes (Likelihood): - Lack of sufficient housing completions, housing market conditions.

Service: Planning

Current Status: High (15)

Current Risk Severity: 3 - Medium

Current Risk Likelihood: 5 - Very High

Head of Service: Jenny Clifford

Review Note: Found to not have sufficient housing supply at appeal. Mitigation principally via new Local Plan once adopted. Close monitoring of applications, decisions and associated appeal performance.

Risk: Hoarding Some tenants are known hoarders but we have policies in place and we do regular inspections.

Effects (Impact/Severity):

Causes (Likelihood):

Service: Housing Services

Current Status: Medium (10)

Current Risk Severity: 5 - Very High

Current Risk Likelihood: 2 - Low

Head of Service: Claire Fry

Review Note:

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Risk: Homelessness Insufficient resources to support an increased homeless population could result in failure to meet statutory duty to provide advice and assistance to anyone who is homeless.

Effects (Impact/Severity): - Dissatisfied customers and increase in complaints.
 - This will involve an increase in officer time in dealing with Homelessness prevention and early intervention.
 - Possible increase in temporary accommodation usage.

Causes (Likelihood): - Social and economic factors like the recession and mortgage repossessions increase the number of homeless.
 - Lack of private sector housing.

Service: Housing Services

Current Status: High (16)

Current Risk Severity: 4 - High

Current Risk Likelihood: 4 - High

Head of Service: Michael Parker

Review Note: It is likely that the new Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 will place additional responsibilities on the Council.

Risk: Impact of Welfare Reform and other emerging National Housing

Policy Changes to benefits available to tenants could impact upon their ability to pay. Other initiatives could impact upon our ability to deliver our 30 year Business Plan.

Effects (Impact/Severity):

Causes (Likelihood):

Service: Housing Services

Current Status: High (15)

Current Risk Severity: 5 - Very High

Current Risk Likelihood: 3 - Medium

Head of Service: Claire Fry

Review Note:

Risk: Reputational re Council Housing Stock Handling a disaster/mistake properly would prevent any reputation damage.

Effects (Impact/Severity):

Causes (Likelihood):

Service: Housing Services

Current Status: Medium (10)

Current Risk Severity: 5 - Very High

Current Risk Likelihood: 2 - Low

Head of Service: Claire Fry

Review Note:

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Risk: Stress The physical and mental well-being of Officers could be affected by work environment and pressures caused by work demands and work relationships.

Effects (Impact/Severity):

Causes (Likelihood):

Service: Housing Services

Current Status:
Medium (12)

Current Risk Severity: 3 -
Medium

Current Risk Likelihood: 4 -
High

Head of Service: Claire Fry

Review Note:

Risk: Tenants with Complex Needs As our housing stock shrinks, the proportion of such tenants will increase.

Effects (Impact/Severity):

Causes (Likelihood):

Service: Housing Services

Current Status:
Medium (12)

Current Risk Severity: 4 -
High

Current Risk Likelihood: 3 -
Medium

Head of Service: Claire Fry

Review Note:

Risk: Widespread fire in block of flats Fire in our multiple occupancy properties, could result in widespread damage, injury or even death

Effects (Impact/Severity):

Causes (Likelihood):

Service: Housing Services

Current Status:
Medium (10)

Current Risk Severity: 5 -
Very High

Current Risk Likelihood: 2 -
Low

Head of Service: Mark Baglow

Review Note: The Corporate H & S Officer has now carried out Fire Risk Assessments in the common rooms at Broad Lane and Westfield Road.

Housing Caretakers inspect communal areas on a 5 week cycle, which includes checking fire exit doors and signage.

Any issues are reported to the relevant Neighbourhood Officer.

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