

**TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**RECORD OF DECISION**

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| <b>Decision Taken By: Cabinet Member for Housing, Environment and Economy</b> | <b>Decision No:<br/>D250042MEM</b> |
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**Date: 20 May 2025**

**Decision(s) and Reason(s)**

**Housing Strategy Update and Draft Years 4 and 5 Action Plan**

The report of the Director of Planning, Housing and Environmental Health presented a draft Action Plan for years 4 and 5 (2025-2027) of the Housing Strategy (attached at Annex A).

Members were reminded that the Housing Strategy 2022-2027 set out the Borough Council's priorities and strategic approach to housing in the borough. Objectives for each priority in the Strategy were delivered and monitored through annual action plans.

Attention was drawn to the key priorities for years 4 and 5 including the development of a Homelessness and Rough sleeper Action Plan, development and implementation of a pro-active approach to tackling Empty Homes and revising and improving the Private Landlord offer. Members welcomed proposals in respect of establishing a local housing company to look at council owned provision and the progress being made on empty homes.

Following consideration by the Housing and Planning Scrutiny Select Committee, the Cabinet Member for Housing, Environment and Economy

**RESOLVED:** That

(1) the draft Action Plan for years 4 and 5 be adopted.

Reasons: As set out in the report submitted to the Housing and Planning Scrutiny Select Committee of 20 May 2025.

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| Signed Cabinet Member for Housing, Environment and Economy: | R Betts    |
| Signed Leader:                                              | M Boughton |
| Signed Chief Executive:                                     | D Roberts  |

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This decision will come into force and may then be implemented on the expiry of 5 working days after publication unless it is called in.