



## Cabinet 3 December 2008

### Report of the Policy Development Committee: Housing Strategy, Homelessness Strategy and Sub-Regional Housing Strategy (Dec08/03 and Dec08/04)

1. Cabinet may recall from earlier reports that on 10 September 2008, the Committee commented on draft Housing and Homelessness Strategies as part of a wide ranging consultation with stakeholders. The consultation process ended on 1 October 2008, and whilst the Strategies themselves had changed very little as a result, the associated Action Plans had been significantly developed, and on 19 November 2008, these Action Plans were considered by the Committee.
2. In addition, the Committee was informed that a Cambridge Sub-Regional Housing Strategy had been developed in partnership with all seven local authorities in the sub-region, which had also been subject to consultation. The Sub-Regional Action Plan does not aim to replicate actions detailed in individual districts' housing or homelessness strategies, but rather to focus on the actions that would benefit from joint action, resources or research. Subsequent to the meeting of the Committee it has been ascertained that this Strategy needs to be formally adopted.
3. The Committee **RECOMMENDS that, subject to the approval of full Council,**
  - (1) **the Housing and Homelessness Strategies, as detailed in Reports Z201 and Z202 respectively and subject to minor textual amendments and their associated Action Plans, as set out in Appendices A and B respectively to Report Z365, be approved; and**
  - (2) **the Cambridge Sub-Regional Housing Strategy be adopted.**

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