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Somerset West and Taunton Council

Tenants’ Strategic Group Meeting – 25th January 2021

Summary of Social Housing White Paper – “The Charter for Social Housing Residents”

This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor Member Cllr F Smith

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1. Executive Summary / Purpose of the Report

In November 2020, the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (MHCLG) published the Social Housing White Paper titled “The Charter for Social Housing Residents”. The white paper sets out a new charter for social housing residents and what will be done to ensure that landlords live up to the new charter. The full version of the charter is available on the gov.uk website but we have produced a summary of the report for members of the Tenants’ Strategic Group so that they can start to understand more about the changes it brings for social housing tenants and landlords.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the content of the summary (contained in the powerpoint report) is noted for information.

3. Links to Corporate Strategy

Somerset West and Taunton Council have a published corporate strategy for 2020-2024 which states that for our homes and communities success will look like “a district that offers a choice of good quality homes for our residents whatever their age and income, in communities where support is available for those who need it.” There are seven objectives underpinning this and these are supportive of the statements in the charter.

4. The Summary

Please review the attached powerpoint presentation entitled “white paper presentation” which summarises the seven measures proposed.



White Paper
Presentation.pptx

Democratic Path:

- **Scrutiny / Corporate Governance or Audit Committees – No** (delete as appropriate)
- **Cabinet/Executive – No** (delete as appropriate)
- **Full Council – No** (delete as appropriate)

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