

Homelessness & Housing Delivery Task Group Monday, 13th January, 2025 at 12.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ

Reports marked to follow on the Agenda and/or Supplementary Documents

1. Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Strategy Launch Update (Pages 2 - 7)

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Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy

Update:

- Formally adopted at Council 31 October
- Launched at partnership event 29 November

Next steps:

- **Homelessness Strategy Implementation Partnership**
 - Launch in February key partners
- **Strategy sub-groups**
 - Focused on key strategy strands
 - Nearly 200 expressions of interest in different strands



and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024-2029



New and re-commissioned services

Service	Target group	Links to strategy
Intensive Support Service	Single people (or couples) who have already experienced homelessness and may struggle to find/sustain permanent accommodation	2.3 (review offer to people sleeping rough)2.8 ("by name" meeting / partnership to resolve the homelessness of those who are furthest away from having their housing needs met)2.9 (recommission Intensive Support Service)
Early intervention and prevention service	Households with low/medium needs, including families, childless couples and single people	1.7 (home visiting function aimed at preventing family evictions)1.9/10 (use of shared sites / rural locations to prevent homelessness)1.11 (specific remit for families)
Housing First service	Single people with multiple barriers to sustaining accommodation. May have history of rough sleeping / failed accommodation stays	3.3 (Recommission the Housing First model) Links to much of section 4 including health, mentoring, skills and cultural facilities

- All services are going through the final stages of a tendering exercise with preferred bidders notified.
- Services to mobilise from April 2025.
- Funding from ringfenced government grants.



Current Data – Housing Needs Service



Of these: 46 in nightly paid (44 single people, one family, one pregnant person)



This reduction in applications is consistent with the Christmas shutdown



Current Data – Housing Needs Service



Number of people eligible for social housing

1339

Number of people verified sleeping rough as of 10/01/2024

0

Number of people verified sleeping rough across December 2025

5

NB – low number due to current cold weather. Typically, 0-4 verified on a single night over last three months



Local Authority Housing Fund

Update:

- LAHF 1 16 of 16 units complete
- LAHF 2 11 of 13 units complete
- LAHF 3 12 units to be delivered 2025/26

