Homelessness and Housing Delivery Task Group 13 January 2025



## **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



### Ending Homelessness Person by Person

The King's Lynn and West Norfolk Homelessness 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	<ul> <li>2.3 (review offer to people sleeping rough)</li> <li>2.8 ("by name" meeting / partnership to resolve the homelessness of those who are furthest away from having their housing needs met)</li> <li>2.9 (recommission Intensive Support Service)</li> </ul>
Early intervention and prevention service	Households with low/medium needs, including families, childless couples and single people	<ul> <li>1.7 (home visiting function aimed at preventing family evictions)</li> <li>1.9/10 (use of shared sites / rural locations to prevent homelessness)</li> <li>1.11 (specific remit for families)</li> </ul>
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**



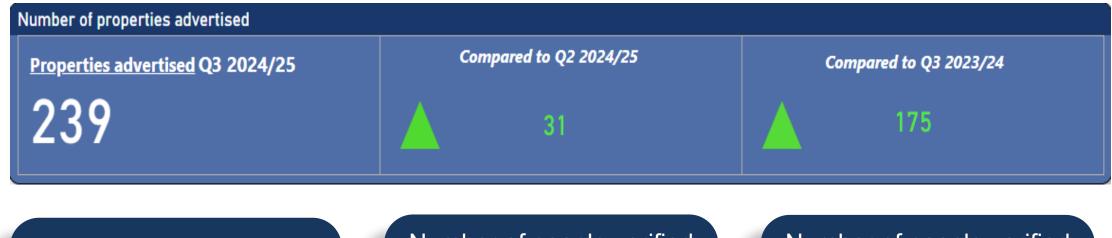
Of these: 46 in nightly paid (44 single people, one family, one pregnant person)

Number of Homeless applications           Number of Homeless applications taken           in Q3 2024/25	Compared to Q2 2024/25	Compared to Q3 2023/24
174	-29.55%	-3.33%
	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

NB – low number due to current cold weather. Typically, 0-4 verified on a single night over last three months Number of people verified sleeping rough across December 2025

5



## **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

