
EASTERN REGION HOUSING STRATEGY MEETING – MEMBER NOMINATION

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 To seek a Member nomination to attend a one day meeting on the regional housing strategy.

2 REGIONAL HOUSING STRATEGY

- 2.1 A Regional Housing Strategy has been developed in recent years by the East of England Housing Forum, comprising representatives from the Local Government Conference, Government Office, East of England Development Agency, Housing Corporation, NHS Executive, Countryside Agency, the house building industry, tenants and landlords' representatives.
- 2.2 Copies of the East of England Housing Strategy which has just been issued have been placed in the Members' Room.
- 2.3 The strategy provides a regional context for developing local housing strategies and working with neighbouring authorities and partners, and a framework for investment by the Housing Corporation, local authorities and others in the region.

3 STRATEGY MEETING

- 3.1 A consultative meeting has been organised for Members whose Portfolio/Committee includes housing and for Directors of Housing on Wednesday 27 February 2002 at which speakers will explain the development and role of the strategy. There will also be workshops to discuss key issues for local authorities. Two places are guaranteed for each authority and there is a charge of approximately £50 per delegate.

4 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The meeting costs can be met from within existing budgets.
- 4.2 The Regional Housing Strategy will become increasingly important in identifying the focus for investment in housing.

5 RECOMMENDATION

5.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES**

That the Chairman of Community Services Committee and the Head of Housing, Health & Community Care attend the Regional Housing Strategy Meeting. (HHHCC)

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Background Papers:

Letter from Chartered Institute of Housing.

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