



Poverty Strategy Briefing Paper

1.0 Background

Since adopting the current strategy there is now a need for an updated strategy that provides for:

- reflecting the key priorities within the Council Plan
- a SMART delivery/action plan that forms part of our strategy
- an evidence based strategy
- reflection of the learning over the past 4 years
- a greater focus on working collaboratively with partners
- understanding and delivery of place-based financial resilience support for the individual and local community
- exploration of how local businesses can help their communities through contributing to corporate social responsibility objectives
- recognition of the dependency that emergency financial support has provided through the Cost of Living Crisis (previously Covid) and how we will need to address this
- our current strategy ends 1 July 2024 and therefore needs reviewing.

2.0 Proposed Timelines

Date	Task
July 24	Research and consult with Devon Communities Together
Early August 24	Consult with Members of Poverty panel to capture key themes to be included.
August 24	Start drafting Strategy
Early – Mid September	Consultation with internal stakeholders (Housing, Private Sector Housing, Economy, Revenues, Public Health Officer, etc)
Early – Mid September	Consultation with external stakeholders (Citizens Advice, Exeter Community Energy, Devon County Council, Other Voluntary groups, etc)
Late September 24	Summarise and incorporate consultation feedback.
Late September 24	Finalise draft strategy
Early October 24	Update Chair of Poverty Panel on proposed Final
17 October 24	Submit report for Poverty Panel on final draft to be recommended to Cabinet
28 October 24	Present proposed updated Poverty Strategy to Poverty panel
27 November 24	Cabinet meeting for recommendation to Council for approval