

Report to: Cabinet



Date of Meeting: 4 March 2026

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## Temporary Accommodation Procurement and Allocation Policy

### Report summary:

This report presents the Temporary Accommodation Procurement and Allocation Policy which has been reviewed and updated to incorporate any relevant changes in practice, outlining EDDC's approach towards meeting our responsibilities to provide temporary accommodation to eligible homeless applicants.

### Is the proposed decision in accordance with:

Budget Yes  No

Policy Framework Yes  No

### Recommendation:

That Cabinet approves the updated Temporary Accommodation Procurement and Allocation Policy.

### Reason for recommendation:

The Temporary Accommodation Procurement and Allocation Policy has been reviewed and updated to incorporate relevant changes.

Officer: Andrew Mitchell, Housing Solutions Manager

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### Portfolio(s) (check which apply):

- Assets and Economy
- Communications and Democracy
- Council, Corporate and External Engagement
- Culture, Leisure, Sport and Tourism
- Environment - Nature and Climate
- Environment - Operational
- Finance
- Place, Infrastructure and Strategic Planning
- Sustainable Homes and Communities

**Equalities impact** Low Impact

**Climate change** Low Impact

**Risk:** Low Risk

### Links to background information

Link to [Council Plan](#)

Priorities (check which apply)

- A supported and engaged community
  - Carbon neutrality and ecological recovery
  - Resilient economy that supports local business
  - Financially secure and improving quality of services
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### **Report in full**

This updated policy sets out EDDC's approach towards procuring temporary accommodation and meeting our responsibilities to provide temporary accommodation to eligible people who are considered to be homeless and we have reason to believe priority need as required by s188 of the 1996 Housing Act.

The policy was circulated for feedback to ELT, to senior managers within Housing and also to Legal services. Residents have been consulted through the Resident and Leaseholder Panel and the Homelessness Strategy Review Group. No significant changes were made to the policy as a result of the consultation. It was presented to the Housing Review Board on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026 with agreement given to the recommendation that the Housing Review Board recommends the updated policy to Cabinet for approval.

Any amendments to the policy have been minimal and have been listed on the policy document.

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### **Financial implications:**

There are no financial implications as a result of this updated policy

### **Legal implications:**

The legal framework is set out within the report and requires no further comment