HOUSING CABINET

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Delivering Replacement Housing Programme (Housing Minute 15 refers)

The purpose of the report by the Head of Housing & Property, set out on pages 117 to 122 of the appendices is to seek permission and approval for a programme of an estimated 170 replacement homes for the residents of Portsmouth at an overall cost of £19m. All new build homes will require planning applications and will be designed and built to Sustainable Homes code 4 standards.

The Cabinet Member for Housing asked that consultation with ward councillors as well as local residents takes place and RECOMMENDS to the City Council

- (1) the approval of the following Capital Expenditure amounting to £18.97m:
 - I. Three town houses be planned, designed and built on the King William Street site at a total cost £0.56M.
 - II. A terrace of 4 houses be planned, designed and built on the garage site at the rear of Millgate House at a total cost of £0.67M.
 - III. A development of 21 flats be planned, designed and built on the Southsea Community Centre site at a total cost of £2.0M.
 - IV. A development of 13 three bedroomed houses be planned, designed and built on the Brook Club site at a total cost of £ 2.1M.
 - V. A block comprising of 9 flats and a large retail unit be planned, designed and built on the Plot 2 Wellington Street at a total cost of £2.0M.
 - VI. A development of 60 properties made up of a mix of three bedroomed houses, three bedroomed flats and one bedroom flats, be planned, designed and built on the Arthur Pope House site at a total cost of £6.0M.
 - VII. Twelve houses be planned, designed and built on the former Doyle Avenue Health Centre site at a total cost of £1.7m
 - VIII. Seventeen Hostel units be made available through the acquisition of the Queen Vic Hostel at a total cost of £0.74m.
 - IX. Twenty units of existing temporary accommodation at Grove Road North be acquired at a projected cost of £1.85M.

- X. A block of 11 flats in Cromwell Road be purchased at a cost of £1.35m.
- (2) to fund the £18.97m of Capital Expenditure, that the City Council approve additional HRA borrowing of up to £16.0M over the next 5 years, alongside the funding already approved within the existing capital programme,
- (3) that authority be delegated to the Head of Housing and Property Services in consultation with the Head of Finance & S151 Officer to amend the composition and spending profile of the proposed schemes in order to meet planning and design requirements whilst ensuring that the schemes remain financially viable following any necessary changes.

Councillor Steven Wylie Cabinet Member for Housing