

Appendix 3

Overview & Scrutiny - Monitoring Recommendations

Review Title:	Rural Affordable Housing and Exception Sites		
Committee:	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Date of report to Executive:	11 May 2009
Scrutiny Officers:	Catherine Phythian		

Recommendation		Executive Response	Progress
1.	That Cherwell District Council should encourage a more pro-active approach to rural affordable housing and exception sites and that the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Housing be invited to fully investigate all opportunities for the provision of rural affordable housing through the Local Development Framework. This should include a review of the relevant policies for the location of general rural affordable housing (including the potential to generate opportunities for some integral affordable provision), and of the criteria against which exception sites are assessed.	Accepted	
2.	That Cherwell District Council should encourage an open and transparent approach to communications associated with the delivery of rural affordable housing and exception sites.	Accepted	
3.	That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee endorses and recommends the proposed Rural Affordable Housing Improvement Plan to the Executive.	The Executive considered this report on 11 May 2009 and all of the Committee's recommendations were accepted.	Completed
4.	That the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Portfolio Holder for Planning and	PfH presented the conclusions of the review at Parish Liaison on 17 June	Completed

	Housing should be asked to present the conclusions of this scrutiny review and the Executive/Council response at the Parish Liaison meeting in June 2009.	(see attached)	
5.	That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee should monitor progress against each of the above recommendations and review the situation, initially in September 2009.	N/A	Add to OSC agenda for Oct or Nov
6.	That Officers be requested to produce a further report on the potential advantages and disadvantages of employing directly an Enabling Officer	Additional recommendations from Executive	Reports on agenda for Executive in August (Rural Improvement Plan update)
7.	That Officers be requested to produce a further report requesting relevant outside bodies to release land for rural exception sites		
8.	That Officers be requested to produce a further report explaining how the work of the Rural Housing Trust has been taken up by other organisations		