

**REPORT TO:** CABINET

**DATE:** 9 SEPTEMBER 2021

**TITLE:** REFERRAL FROM SCRUTINY COMMITTEE –  
HOUSING AND ACCOMMODATION  
REQUIREMENTS FOR ADULTS WITH A  
MODERATE/SEVERE LEARNING DISABILITY

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**This is a Key Decision**  
**It is on the Forward Plan as Decision Number I012989**  
**Call-in Procedures may apply**  
**This decision will affect no ward specifically.**

**RECOMMENDED that:**

- A** The recommendations contained in the consultant's report are adopted.
- B** Cabinet notes the Committee will be considering a report on the implementation of the recommendations at its meeting in July 2022.

**REASON FOR DECISION**

- A** To improve the provision of housing accommodation in Harlow for adults with moderate/severe learning disabilities.

**BACKGROUND**

1. In September 2020, the Scrutiny Committee agreed to review housing accommodation requirements for adults with a moderate/severe learning difficulty. It agreed that a consultant would be hired and that a working party would be set up to help oversee the review.

**ISSUES/PROPOSALS**

2. At its meeting on 13 July, the Committee considered the consultant's report which made a number of recommendations and referred these to Cabinet for adoption.

## **IMPLICATIONS**

Implications are detailed in the original report to the Scrutiny Committee, which is attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

## **Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Original report to the Scrutiny Committee on 13 July 2021

Appendix 2 – Equality Impact Assessment Form

## **Background Papers**

None.

## **Glossary of terms/abbreviations used**

None.