

# LONDON BOROUGH OF CROYDON

<b>REPORT:</b>	<b>Homes Sub-Committee</b>
<b>DATE</b>	<b>16 April 2024</b>
<b>REPORT TITLE:</b>	<b>Homelessness &amp; Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024-2029</b>
<b>LEAD OFFICER:</b>	<b>Susmita Sen - Corporate Director for Housing</b>
<b>PERSON LEADING AT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING:</b>	<b>Susmita Sen - Corporate Director for Housing</b> <b>Beatrice Cingtho-Taylor - Director of Housing, Homelessness Prevention &amp; Accommodation</b>
<b>LEAD MEMBER:</b>	<b>Councillor Lynne Hale</b> <b>Cabinet Member for Homes and Deputy Mayor</b>
<b>ORIGIN OF ITEM:</b>	The Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Strategy forms a part of the Council's Budget and Policy Framework, and as such it is required that Scrutiny have not less than four weeks to respond to the initial proposals.
<b>BRIEF FOR THE COMMITTEE:</b>	The Homes Sub-Committee Scrutiny Sub-Committee has asked to review the Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024-2029, with a view to considering whether there are any concerns that should be raised or recommendations that should be made.
<b>PUBLIC/EXEMPT:</b>	Public

## 1 Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024-2029

- 1.1. Attached at Appendix 1 is the Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024-2029 Cabinet report; this forms a part of the Council's Budget and Policy Framework, and as such it is required that Scrutiny have not less than four weeks to respond to the initial proposals.
- 1.2. This report introduces the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024- 2029 to Cabinet for agreement and onward recommendation to full Council for approval. As well as setting out the statutory requirement to produce a 5-year plan, the report sets out the methodology used in its development as well as setting out a summary report of the process used to consult residents and partners and achieve a consensus for the key themes identified in the strategies priorities.
- 1.3. Under the Homelessness Act 2002 all local authorities are required to produce a Homelessness Strategy every five years. From 2018, the Government extended this and included a responsibility for Council's to consider Rough Sleeping as a part of

the overall strategic objectives. Croydon last produced a Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy between 2019-22

- 1.4. The Homes Sub-Committee Scrutiny Sub-Committee is asked to review the Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024-2029 with a view to considering whether there are any concerns that should be raised or recommendations that should be made ahead of it being reported to Cabinet and Council.

## **2 APPENDICES**

- 2.1 **Appendix 1** - Cabinet Report & Appendices - Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024-2029

## **3 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

- 3.1 None