

APPENDIX 2 – CABINET RESPONSE

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY TOPIC	Actions to improve housing conditions in the private rented sector
DATE OF PRESENTATION TO CABINET	20 July 2016

RECOMMENDATION	ACCEPTED YES/NO	IF 'YES' INDICATION OF ACTION TO BE TAKEN AND IMPLEMENTATION DATE	IF 'NO' REASONS FOR DECISION
1. The current programme of proactive work to improve the worst privately rented accommodation in HMOs should be maintained into the future.	yes	The current arrangement will continue until April 2017 and in the meantime a review of the private sector team current activities will be carried out to assess ways to continue with a proactive inspection programme into the future. To be completed before April 2017 and reported back to O&S committee.	
2. Funding to support the Private Sector Housing Officer's work should continue until at least April 2017 to allow these improvements to be sustained into the future.	yes	An extension of the existing temporary staff resource will continue until 2017 with immediate effect	
3. The City Council should await the outcome of the recent Government consultation on extending mandatory HMO licensing before taking any further steps to introduce a discretionary licensing scheme.	yes	Agreed. Timescales not known as determined by Central Government.	

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