



**PORTFOLIO HOLDER/LEAD MEMBER UPDATE SUMMARY**

PORTFOLIO:<sup>1</sup>

Housing and Community Safety

CABINET DATE:<sup>2</sup>

21 June 2022

KEY ACTIVITIES SINCE  
THE LAST REPORT:<sup>3</sup>

It is a shared ambition to keep Dorset as one of the safest places in the UK. In recognition of that ambition, Community Safety is one of our ten key priorities as Dorset Council. The frequency of meetings of the Community Safety Partnership has now moved from a quarterly to a monthly cycle. This frequency supports us in making sure all partner agencies work together in meeting that ambition as quickly and effectively as possible. I chair the CSP, with Richard Bell from Dorset Police as an active vice-chair.

The purpose of the CSP is to deliver safer communities as set out in the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and relevant legislation, and involves key agencies across the Council, Police, Health and Community sectors. We are already proud of how this works in Dorset, and are ramping things up to meet our aims and work well across the partnerships.

I am pleased to have been able to join the Police and Crime Commissioner, David Sidwick, on a visit to see our CCTV 'Public Space Surveillance' operations. It is great to see the excellent work under way to keep our County safe and to keep up the strong working relationship with David, as our PCC.

I am also pleased to have been able to join the Chair of People and Health Scrutiny Committee, Cllr Gill Taylor, and other Members in a series of interviews with our main Registered Provider Housing Associations over the past month. Excellent and constructive meetings have taken place with Abri, Aster, East Boro, Magna and Sovereign, and I look forward to the future report going forward to the

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<sup>1</sup> Enter the portfolio area

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<sup>3</sup> Provide brief details of the meetings attended, key activities or project milestones completed since the last report

People and Health Scrutiny Committee in early autumn. We rely on our Housing Associations to deliver large numbers of new homes, as well as providing affordable tenancies and shared ownership homes for around 19,000 households across Dorset.

**DELEGATED DECISIONS  
MADE:<sup>4</sup>**

None

**ANTICIPATED  
ACTIVITIES/MILESTONES  
FOR NEXT PERIOD:<sup>5</sup>**

A restructure of the Housing service has just completed and will be launched on 1 July. This will strengthen the service and the delivery of our ambitious plans for housing in Dorset. Along with the Corporate Director, Andrew Billany, I will share information of the key people and contacts for Members once we launch the details.

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<sup>4</sup> Enter details of any delegated decisions made since the last meeting

<sup>5</sup> Provide details of key activities, project milestones or significant meetings anticipated in the next period