

FULL COUNCIL

MOTION ON NOTICE

Date of Council Meeting: - 10th February 2026

Title of Motion: - Motion on Social Housing

Proposer: - Cllr L O'Leary

Seconder: - Cllr C Tomes

Supported by: - Cllrs K Wheller, P Dickenson, M Parkes, N Lacey-Clarke, B Quayle, S Murcer, A Parry, V Potheary, S Jespersen, C Jones, G Suttle, J Vitali, P Brown, J Somper, J Haynes

Motion Narrative and Action Required

“We call on all registered providers of social housing operating in the Dorset Council area to review their disposal policies, with a renewed focus on regular, long-term maintenance of properties to prevent them deteriorating to a level that leads to disposal.

The disposal of social housing in rural and semi-rural areas can be highly damaging to communities and force local people out of their home neighbourhoods.

Registered providers, when established, were given a duty to look after these properties on behalf of the people of this county.

We ask that they set out long-term plans to maintain their existing housing stock in Dorset's communities, through early intervention and sustained long-term investment.”