

South Hams Housing Strategy

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Strategy Development considerations

- Need to consider impact on Strategy of planning reform changes and potential future local government reorganisation
- Infill sites as Exception sites? (phil to do a bit more)
- Strategy split in two – homes for people / homes for place
- Strategy to raise quality standards of new homes (for example in line with Parker Morris standards)
- Mixed tenure developments
- Define what is 'Affordable' for the South Hams
- Could we look to encourage development of shared office / business spaces within residential developments (policy in JLP that does apply to major developments that requires employment sites)
- Make more efficient use of the stock we already have – not always building more
- Key worker provision – should work with partner agencies to identify ways of funding more

Other comments / good practice / training

- Officers to circulate definition of affordable housing to Members and affordable home delivery programme
- One Planet Development Policy – if you can prove that you're living sustainably you can live on agricultural land (aka Low Impact Dwelling Policy) – beyond scope of this strategy but could be included in next JLP review
- Co-Housing (self contained private home as well as shared communal areas) as a different delivery type / model
- Bid submitted for £0.5m for additional insulation projects etc (across sh/wd)
- Need to find ways of speeding up developments

