

COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Explanatory Note

The Leader of the Council has established Delegation Schemes by which certain decisions may be made by the relevant cabinet member or specific officers.

Cabinet member decisions are subject to review under the Call-in Procedure.

From the date the notice of the decision made is published there are five working days during which any five Councillors may sign a request for the decision to be reviewed (called in) and deliver it to the Proper Officer.

If, at the end of the period, no request has been made, the decision may be implemented. If a valid call- in request has been made, the matter will be referred to the Scrutiny Panel

Part A – To be completed by the appropriate Cabinet Member/Officer

Title of Report

Electrical Safety and Testing Policy

Delegated Power

To procure the specified service in the provision, implementation, maintenance and management of:-

Public sector dwellings, management of Council owned dwellings and other properties and their environs including the setting of rents in accordance with the Management Agreement dated 9 August 2013 between the Council and Colchester Borough Homes Limited and any subsequent agreement or arrangement entered into between the parties.

Decision Taken

Approval of the updated policy.

Key Decision

No

Forward Plan

N/A

Reasons for the Decision

All policies should be reviewed regularly, usually a minimum of every 3 years or sooner if a significant or legislative change is required. This is the first review following the policy being adopted in April 2018.

To ensure that the Council policy on Electrical Safety and Testing continues to provide guidelines on testing and inspection at appropriate frequencies and to the required legal standards, in order to minimise the risk of fire, injury and / or death.

Alternative Options

To continue with the existing policy adopted in April 2018. However, the policy is out of date and does not reflect the Council's current priorities or procedures.

To not implement the revised policy proposed. To not have the revised property does not reflect the Council's current priorities and would leave the Council at risk of not complying with current legislation and good practice.

Conflict of Interest

None

Dispensation by Head of Paid Service

N/A

Dispensation by Monitoring Officer

N/A

Approved by Portfolio Holder for Housing

Signature Cllr Adam Fox

Date 06 November 2020

(**NB** For Key Decisions the report must be made available to the public for five clear days prior to the period for call-in commencing)

Part B – To be completed by the Proper Officer (Democratic Services)

Portfolio Holder Decision Reference Number

HOU-009-20

Implementation Date

This decision can be implemented if no request for the decision to be reviewed (call-in) has been made **after 5pm on *Friday 13 November 2020***

Call-in Procedure

The Decision Notice for this decision was published on the internet on ***Friday 6 November 2020***.

A request for reference to the Scrutiny Panel must be made by **5pm on *Friday 13 November 2020***

Signature of Proper Officer
K Barnard