

CORE OFFER BUDGET FOR PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING

WHY DOES THE COUNCIL HAVE TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE AND WHAT DOES IT NEEDS TO COVER?

The Council has a statutory duty under Housing and Public Health legislation to enforce housing and public health standards in all housing tenures. Greatest attention is given to the worst conditions in the private rented sector and Houses in Multiple Occupation.

Property licensing inspections have to be carried out in addition to response to requests for service.

HOW DOES THE CORE OFFER BUDGET MEET THE COUNCIL'S OBLIGATIONS?

The core offer maintains sufficient resource to meet the Council's statutory duties.

DOES THIS DIFFER FROM THE CURRENT SERVICE?

The full time equivalent staffing level within the Private Sector Housing team will reduce from 4.3 to 3.8 FTE.

This has been achieved by deleting 0.5fte field officer (currently vacant).

The Landlord Accreditation Scheme and non-statutory regulatory services and inspections has ceased. Advice on planning applications and other advisory services has also ceased. Empty homes activities has also ceased other than basic statutory functions.

Regulatory Services management restructure should have little direct impact on front line service but will reduce capacity of management.

WHAT IS THE CORE BUDGET MADE UP OF?

2019/20 budget £153,048

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Employee	137,973
Transport	2,050
Supplies & Services	4,822
Income	(5,000)
Overheads	13,203
Total	153,048