Appendix 1 – LBTH Housing Strategy Action Plan – 31st March 2012 Update

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the t	elivering and Managing Decent Homes *Note: Since April-10 erm as 'Registered Provider' commenced Here this means a stered housing associations or an ALMO	Status	Commentary
1 & 2	Tower Hamlets will require all social landlords to meet the Decent Homes standard. Registered Providers will report annually to the borough on progress towards the target.	On target	Non Decency has reduced from 30% to 22.7% as at April 2011. ELASH has replaced the HIP and data collection is currently underway to gather 2011/12 data
3	Stock transfer housing associations Decent Homes delivery will be separately monitored in line with the Local Area Agreement targets	On target	DH delivery is being monitored and current figures are available up to April 2012. 8% non decent compared to 23% at the end of last year. LAA targets no longer in existence but Monitoring of DH is ongoing
4	Stock transfer housing associations 'Offer Document' promises and 'Transfer Agreement' contractual requirements will be separately monitored and (if necessary) enforced.	On Target (Annual activity)	Report on data submitted in September 2011 has been completed. Majority of promises have been delivered, or remain on track for delivery within specified timescales. The Council is now developing an approach to audit and 'sign off' completed programmes.
5	Tower Hamlets Homes will develop and put in place a programme that will deliver the Decent Homes Plus Standard to the social rented stock under its management.	On target	Decent Homes Pilot programme is now complete. In 2011/12 the Council spent £14.2m, made 802 homes DH under the GLA DH Backlog Funding, 87 homes using its own resources and 127 under the NDC. A total of 1451 homes have had Decent Homes works completed.
6	Tower Hamlets Homes and the Council will implement a business plan that will deliver the Decent Homes Plus programme of work. All sources of funding will be explored to fund the Decent Homes Plus Programme and any additional estate renewal work required to regenerate Tower Hamlets estates.	On Target	THH's Delivery Plan 2012/13 was agreed by LBTH and is being implemented. LBTH secured £94.5m from the HCA for DH Backlog funding. In September 2011 the Council agreed to secure a range of funding sources totalling circa £40m to bridge the gap between the DH bid of circa £1334m and the outcome from the HCA Alternative funding models have been identified to carry out Decent Homes works for Malmesbury, Blackwall Reach, and Ocean.
7	Tower Hamlets will expect all social landlords Registered Providers to develop and implement an Asset Management Strategy that sets out how the Decent Homes standard is to be maintained. The Asset Management Strategy will be available to tenants, the Council and other housing stakeholders.	On target	Most RPs have asset management strategies and some have sent summaries of these to the council. If a Councillor or a member of the public requests these documents we can access these through the contacts who attend our asset management sub group.

8	Tower Hamlets will develop a Decent Homes Plus Standard that will set out additional repairs and improvements that would be expected when Decent Homes works are undertaken.	Completed	A costed Decent Homes standard has been developed and agreed by LBTH and THH, and the DH programme is being implemented to the standard within the cost envelop. Through the Council's localism agenda - in 2011/12 the DH programme had 67 local resident employed, secured15 apprenticeships - and £3m and £4m accrued to sub-contractors and local supply chain respectively.
9	Tower Hamlets will investigate the feasibility of additional selective licensing of private sector properties which are in multiple occupation	Completed	This objective was essentially a tool for targeting ASB perpetrators in ex-RTB homes. The ex-RTB homes may not necessarily be of multiple occupied so selective licensing might be more appropriate. There are no current plans to extend the mandatory HMO licensing scheme – given the enforcement resources available, the mandatory scheme keeps the focus on the highest risk ie larger properties. The Council is reviewing its Housing Strategy and will be producing a Private Sector Housing Strategy which will be evidenced by the recent Private Sector Stock Condition Survey. This will enable there to be a more detailed and informed opportunity to consider any additional controls.
10	Tower Hamlets will refresh the existing Private Sector Renewal Strategy that will deliver Decent Homes in the private rented sector and using enabling methods (such as grants, loans and equity release) to achieve a reduction of Category 1 hazards.	On hold	Private sector stock condition survey was commissioned in 2011 and delivered in April 2012. The evidence will inform the 2012 – 2015 refreshed housing strategy. The future direction of private sector renewal will be contained in the housing strategy. Changes in funding mechanisms have removed both the Houseproud and handyperson services which has impacted on the Council's ability to achieve decent homes in the private sector.
11	Tower Hamlets will make available information on Disabled Facilities Grants for residents and maximise use of available resources	On Target	The Council continues to make available 100% of all Disabled Facilities Grants. The budget for 2011/12 was £1m and this was spent
12	Tower Hamlets will expect all social landlords to make reasonable financial provision to fund adaptation works to meet changing residents' needs.	On hold	A paper will be taken to the THHF executive in September 2012 outlining the basis for any provider contribution to the costs of aids and adaptations. This is seen as a more appropriate forum for this discussion than the asset management sub group.
<mark>13</mark>	Tower Hamlets will develop an Energy Efficiency Strategy for all dwellings and make available additional information on energy and water conservation measures for households wishing to improve their homes	Completed	Energy and water conservation measures guidance for households were made available to households. A Local Area Carbon Reductions strategy is in place. The Mayor launched T.H.E Community Power, the boroughs

			energy co-op for providing cheap power and ending fuel poverty. A strategy is now being developed.
14	Tower Hamlets will develop and implement a local Climate Change Strategy that will help reduce carbon emissions from existing and new housing	On target	Draft Climate Change Strategy Completed. The sub strategies, Local Area Carbon Reduction Strategy, Decentralised Energy Strategy, and Biodiversity Action Plan have been implemented. The Climate Change Strategy to go to cabinet with Co-op strategy in October 2012.
15	Social landlords when considering repairs, refurbishment and new build should have regard to the Mayor's climate change policies in the London Plan; Climate Change Action Plan; and local policies that will help reduce carbon emissions from homes in Tower Hamlets.	Completed	All developments needing planning approval are required to adhere to the energy and sustainability policies in Planning Polices (London Plan, LDF, and DPD's). A supplementary energy and sustainability guidance is now in place, LBTH require 35% CO2 reduction above 2010 Building Regs (compared to London Plan 25%). The feasibility of a Strategy covering Carbon Mitigation and Allowable Solutions is being investigated.
16	Tower Hamlets Council will work closely with Tenant Services Authority to ensure that tenants in Tower Hamlets receive an effective, efficient and fair management service and that all social landlords are seeking a minimum 'Two Star' service (or TSA new regulatory equivalent)	On Target	The TSA has now been abolished, however all RPs have implemented local offers. A set of Borough wide local offers have also been agreed, and the operation of these are monitored by a resident scrutiny group. By the end of 2012 a housing management framework will be in place which will ensure the Borough is able to effectively monitor housing management performance of partners.
17	Tower Hamlets Council will require all social landlords in the borough to have a resident involvement statement (or similar report) setting out how it involves Tower Hamlets tenants and leaseholders in the running of its organisation. Tenants' statements should build on emerging TSA principles.	Completed	All preferred partners and those RPs engaged with the Council on an ongoing basis through the Tower Hamlets Housing Forum have statements in place.
<mark>18</mark>	Tower Hamlets will commission an independent audit of processes that determined 2007/08 leasehold service charges and recommend changes that will improve the way estimates and actuals are calculated in the future.	Completed	In 2009/10 this was procured and let. Beevers & Struthers (the auditors) submitted a completed draft of the Audit to the Project Steering Group (PSG) in July 2010. The report was signed off by the PSG in April 2010 and an action plan is being implemented.

19	Tower Hamlets in partnership with Tower Hamlets Housing Forum members will develop a Performance Management Framework that will track and drive improvement in social landlords' management performance.	Target	The THHF sub group structure has been reorganised. All the sub groups now have new Chairs who will report to each THHF meeting. The bench-marking sub group continues to monitor the performance of the main RP's in the Borough using Housemark data and will develop the performance framework further in conjunction with the Housing Management Sub Group which continues to be a" work in progress" but will be completed in 2012
Plac	emaking and Sustainable Communities	Status	Commentary
<mark>20</mark>	Tower Hamlets Council will work in partnership with all stakeholders involved in the urban planning and development process to deliver the four Community Plan crosscutting themes	Completed	LDF Core Strategy was approved in September-10, it now sets out the future requirements to meet Community Plan themes.
21	Tower Hamlets Council will work in partnership with social landlords to ensure that Local Area Agreement targets on street and environmental cleanliness are met.	In Progress	This work is still ongoing. The Public Realm sub group continues to be the forum where the council works in partnership with RPs to ensure that targets are met on Street and Environmental Cleanliness are met. The target for household and organic waste disposal has been met whilst the remaining targets continue to be monitored and reported on.
22	Tower Hamlets will encourage the creation and retention of existing, local businesses in new and regenerated housing schemes	In progress	The Ocean Estate is an example of a major regeneration scheme currently underway in LBTH where the Council have liaised with the commercial unit holders to ensure that they have the right of return on the redevelopment. New schemes are negotiated on a scheme by scheme basis with the respective RPs (HAs). Discussions have taken place with shopkeepers at Malmesbury and Coventry Cross.
23	Tower Hamlets Council will work in partnership with locally based housing associations and Tower Hamlets Homes to bring forward regeneration proposals that help regenerate localities, which may include the development of new housing.	On target	Community consultation on the masterplans for both the Birchfield and the Malmesbury Estates was undertaken during the Summer of 2010. The brief was to develop new homes on both estates, assuming no grant and also to cross subsidise decent homes for the wider estate. The architects and viability consultants have been in pre-planning discussions with the Planners and have settled on two viable options for both estates. Members are currently being briefed on the options and then consultation with residents will resume. Number of units, sos and delivery mechanism not known at this point in time. There is significant regeneration planned for Blackwall Reach, St Clements Hospital site and the affordable housing on St Andrews Hospital site is completed. Work has commenced on the last (private) block Ocean Estate has now received an HCA allocation. The LHI is also now completed
<mark>24</mark>	Tower Hamlets will work in partnership with housing stakeholders to facilitate the delivery of a pilot area-based low carbon project	On target	RE: NEW funded by LDA provided energy efficiency advice and measures to 1,216 homes of all tenures in the Bow West ward. We have secured additional funding from the GLA/ODA to provide

			an additional support to another 1,000 homes in Bethnal Green wards this project is expected to finish in October 2012.
			Working with Partners we were successful in securing £10,000 of Big Lottery fund to deliver a strategy for <i>communities living sustainably</i> in the Bromley by bow & poplar area, this strategy has now been submitted for further funding of £1m
25	Tower Hamlets Council will work in partnership with social landlords to agree a target and activities to increase the proportion of household recycling undertaken in Tower Hamlets.	'In Progress	The Public Realm sub group is the forum where the council work in partnership with RPs to ensure that LAA targets are met on Street and Environmental Cleanliness. The group receives performance information and reports on this area on a Bi monthly basis. They are still working towards achieving the target. Part of that process includes obtaining information that is more specific to each organisation to enable them to develop appropriate plans for improvement rather than the current Borough wide figure.
<mark>26</mark>	Tower Hamlets Council will work with Tower Hamlets Housing Forum members and other stakeholders to deliver more skills, employment training opportunities, and other intermediary options; drawing on resources available from the Working Neighbourhoods Fund and other sources	On target	The RPs and Community Involvement Network have an action plan in place to contribute to this objective. A number of initiatives have been implemented These include: - jobs fairs, apprenticeships, work placements and ongoing negotiations with major works contractors to guarantee local labour employment.
27	Tower Hamlets will seek to ensure that healthy living programmes and health infrastructure requirements are an integral part of social housing providers' activities.	In progress	The work of the healthy communities CPDG continues to be reported to THHF and a member of the THHF Exec is nominated to these meetings. Some of the RP's have taken forward the various health initiatives reported to the group although the outcomes are not monitored.
<mark>28</mark>	Publish a Local Biodiversity Action Plan for 2009/2013	Completed	LBAP adopted by cabinet in September 2009
29	Tower Hamlets will work with social housing providers to ensure they take account of security issues when designing new homes and that they contribute to the Community Plan community safety objectives.	Complteted	All new and regenerated schemes are designed with regard to Secure by Design principles. Architectural Design Officers provide recommendations on all new schemes which RPs (HAs) take on board as far as possible in the design of new build schemes. A certificate is issued on completion. The Council will comply with design guidance issued by the GLA within the London Plan.
30	Tower Hamlets will ensure that the Supporting People programme is integrated with the Homelessness Strategy and wider Housing Strategy objectives, together with priorities of the PCT and Probation Service	Completed Ongoing activity	The strategic housing team is working closely with Adults Services to develop an Older Peoples Housing Strategy. The Supporting people team will be consulted on the development of the Housing Strategy.
31	Develop an Older Peoples Housing Strategy which will implement the recommendations of the Best Value review, incorporate cross cutting housing initiatives and develop new ventures that will improve the quality of housing for older people in Tower Hamlets.	On target	of the Housing Strategy The OPHS has been drafted and it will form part of the wider 2012- 15 Housing Strategy. A separate action plan has been drawn up and will be taken forward over the next three years.
32	Tower Hamlets Council will work closely with Tower Hamlets Housing Forum members to deliver the objectives set out in the	On target	The revised THHF action pan has meant the objectives of the group and the associated sub groups are now directly aligned to those

Protocol and the wider objectives of this Housing Strategy	within the Housing Strategy. The outcomes are monitored through
	the Exec group. This, together with the Local Offers and the
	impending Housing management performance framework being
	developed b the Housing Strategy Team will result in enhanced and
	more consistent management services.

Mai	aging Demand, Reducing Overcrowding	Status	Commentary
33	Review Tower Hamlets Lettings Policy leading to firm proposals for an improved policy and choice based lettings scheme.	Completed	Following stakeholder consultation in 2010 the revised Lettings Policy was agreed by Cabinet on the 10th of March 2010. Work is currently underway for its implementation within the next few months – originally aimed for late June implementation, the policy went live on Oct-10
34	Tower Hamlets will encourage all housing associations that have or intend to develop stock in the Borough to become members of the Common Housing Register and the Tower Hamlets Housing Forum.	On target	The Borough has been actively promoting the Common Housing Register for many years in Tower Hamlets. Currently there are 23 RPs signed up to it. Out of the fifteen preferred partners only one (A2Dominion) have yet to sign up.
<mark>35</mark>	Tower Hamlets will develop and implement a new Overcrowding Reduction Strategy with annual targets	Completed	Six monthly monitoring reports go to the CHR forum on progress. Good Progress being made
36	The Council will review the current Sub Regional Nomination arrangements to ensure that Tower Hamlets is gaining an appropriate share of homes developed in the borough and lobby for changes if required	Completed	New protocol agreed
<mark>37</mark>	Tower Hamlets will develop and implement an Estate Renewal Decanting Strategy which will include housing association-led innovative solutions that will help speed up the decanting process.	On target	Decanting Arrangements for major regeneration projects is now embedded in the system. Although this has not been turned into a formal strategy, good practice is shared between partners and decant activity reported to the THHF CHR group.
38	Deliver the actions set out in the Council's 2008/13 Homelessness Strategy.	Completed	This is monitored/delivered through the Homelessness Forum. The 2011/12 key progress milestones were presented to the 2012 Homeless Partnership Board which signed off the progress on the Action Plan.
39	The Council will work with the Nominated Undertaker for the Crossrail Act, other agencies and stakeholder groups to ensure the Eleanor Street Travellers' Site is relocated in accordance with best practice design standards.	On target	Through the Crossrail Act Schedule 16 conditional consent has been given to the relocation of the travellers pitches at Eleanor Street. The relocation process is expected to be progressed over the next 12 months.
40	The Council will produce an over-arching strategy that will set out the Borough's approach to Gypsy and Traveller housing issues.	On target	The CLG Secretary of State removed targets for new housing provision as part of the process to remove Regional Government. The London Plan will be revised to reflect the changes once Central Government has published and these changes are

	reflected in the London plan Revised Early Minor Alterations. The
	Council will wait to until the London plan has been agreed before
	agreeing its strategy

Nev	v Housing Supply	Status	Commentary
41	Tower Hamlets will seek as a strategic target up to 50% affordable housing on all housing developed in the borough, applying 35% on individual sites. *This may change following new evidence from the SHMA or as a result of the Core Strategy.	Completed	The LDF Core Strategy was formally adopted by Full Council in September 2010. It states that we will require 35% - 50% affordable homes on site providing 10 new residential homes or more (subject to viability)
42	Tower Hamlets will seek 45% of the social rented element of new developments to be for large family purposes (i.e. 3-bed+) either provided onsite, or where delivery proves unsustainable, provided offsite; 25% of the intermediate and market homes should have three bedrooms or more.	On target	Evidence base established. This Policy is explicitly incorporated into the Core Strategy which was found sound and adopted in September 2010. This is also clear in the Managing Development DPD. Formal adoption of the DPD will be after the Examination In Public in September 2012.
43	Following publication and review of the Mayor's Housing Design Guide, Tower Hamlets will make a decision on whether to adopt the document for housing and planning policy guidance purposes.	On target	This Policy is explicitly incorporated into the Core Strategy which was found sound and adopted in September 2010. This is also clear in the Managing Development DPD. Formal adoption of the DPD will be after the Examination In Public in September 2012
44	All affordable housing to comply with the Housing Corporation's guidance set out in <i>Design and Quality Standards</i> (Apr 2007 and subsequent)	Completed	All funded schemes must comply. The HCA are currently consulting on a new set of standards. Once implemented this will apply to new affordable developments going forward. Formal monitoring/reporting structures need to be put in place for schemes completing in 2010/11 to ensure HQI is met and evidenced, especially areas such as part M building regulations monitored by LBTH Building Control and other external building control companies.
45	Develop guidance that has regard for housing design requirements for black, Asian and minority ethnic groups with a particular focus on the needs of the Bangladeshi community	Completed	The Borough has developed an Action Plan to support the Preferred Partner Protocol that all Development Partners will be expected to sign up to. The Action Plan outlines specific design criteria applicable to meet the needs of Asian, black and minority groups. In the Managing Development DPD there is a requirement that all homes should have separate kitchen /living areas, this in part was in response to cultural requirements.
<mark>46</mark>	Tower Hamlets will examine family housing issues in its forthcoming High Density Living Supplementary Planning Document*. * Note: Design of high density developments will be incorporated into the Development Management DPD	On target	Resource allocation reprioritised. Further policy on design of high density developments will be incorporated into the Managing Development DPD. This will be subject to an Examination in public in September 2012 and subject to the outcome of the EIP will be adopted in late 2012 or early 2013.
<mark>47</mark>	Tower Hamlets will explore innovative approaches to facilitate the delivery of more family accommodation for households on low to	On target	Strategic housing is actively working with THHF partners to develop models for more family accommodation for households on

	medium incomes, including Community Land Trust models of affordable housing		low to medium incomes. The council has worked on a pilot with Family Mosaic HG and the HCA on larger Shared Ownership properties, and is exploring a Community Land Trust on St Clements with the HCA.
<mark>48</mark>	Tower Hamlets will require all new housing developments to meet the Government's national target of zero carbon housing by 2016.	On target	The Government has maintained its target to achieve zero carbon emissions on all new builds by 2016. All new schemes funded by the HCA are expected to achieve the Code for Sustainable Homes Level 4 as a condition of funding. The Organisation receives a certificate on completion of the scheme. as confirmation of achievement
<mark>49</mark>	Tower Hamlets Council will require all new housing developments to have appropriate space for waste and recycling storage giving residents maximum opportunities to recycle both within the home and in communal areas outside it.	On target	Policy needs to be incorporated into the Managing Development DPD. This will be subject to an Examination in public in September 2012 and subject to the outcome of the EIP will be adopted in late 2012 or early 2013. Waste plans are set out in Planning Standard 3: Waste.
<u>50</u>	Tower Hamlets test the feasibility of designating affordable housing partners for development sites in order to improve local management service delivery and maximise contribution to Community Plan objectives.	Completed	See below for details – also the housing management aspect of this project will apply to all housing associations operating in LBTH
<mark>51</mark>	Tower Hamlets will also examine the value of establishing a panel of preferred affordable housing developers that will work in partnership with the Council to deliver housing and wider Community Plan objectives and will have locally based housing management services	Completed	The Preferred Development was successfully completed in 2010/11
52	Tower Hamlets will seek to maximise Lifetime Homes Standards in new housing stock and seek at least 10% of all new homes to be wheelchair accessible (GLA London Accessible Housing Register Standards) or easily adaptable for wheelchair users.	On target	Working Group set up to ensure all developments meet accessibility standards. Also to tailor-match properties to meet allocated need. This issue will also be address in the Managing Development DPD. Project 120 will be launched in the Summer 2012 to address the needs of families with wheelchair users. Closer working relationship has been established to ensure the supply is coming forward and the homes can be pre-allocated to fit a family's needs on the Project 120 list.
53	Tower Hamlets to investigate alternative housing delivery vehicles that can best deliver corporate housing development objectives	On target	The Council continues to investigate the possibility of alternative delivery vehicles. Changes in the HCA/GLA funding regime have intensified the need to consider other financial solutions and these are being considered in the context of the Council's strategic sites and development of models emerging elsewhere in the region.
54	Tower Hamlets Council to prioritise its resources to the identified key corporate strategic housing projects.	On target	In 2009/10 the Council have worked up the Borough Investment Plan (BIP). Following the change of Government in 2010, a new funding process was announced through which resources are now channelled to RPs by the GLA through contracts, thus rendering BIPs redundant.

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The Council has also secured year 1 & 2 Decent Homes funding via the HCA and now the GLA.

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55	Tower Hamlets will seek to maximise housing investment in existing stock to achieve the Decent Homes Standard	On target	THH's Delivery Plan 2011/12 was agreed by LBTH and is being implemented. THH achieved 2 star rating from the Audit Commission inspection. LBTH secured £94.5m from the HCA for DH Backlog funding. Alternative funding arrangements will be clearer when the implications of the HRA self-financing regime are ascertained. Furthermore, alternative funding models have been used to carry out DH works for Malmesbury, Birchfield, Blackwall Reach, and Ocean
56	Tower Hamlets will seek to reduce the number of non-decent homes in the private rented sector occupied by vulnerable tenants.	(On hold)	The funding for both the private handyperson and Houseproud schemes has been removed. The Council has had to scale back its funding for the private sector and no longer monitors decent homes activity. Small home improvement grants are available for homeowners
<mark>57</mark>	Tower Hamlets will ensure the delivery of a service that will entitle eligible residents to claim Disabled Facilities Grants	On target	The Council continues to make available 100% of all Disabled Facilities Grants
<mark>58</mark>	Tower Hamlets will seek to maximise investment opportunities that deliver placemaking and sustainable communities objectives.	On target	This is an on going target, this year actions have been taken under various initiatives: - Liaising with HCA/GLA over the new funding regime, identifying strategic sites and investigating alternative funding options and commencing the Decent Homes Programme
59	Tower Hamlets will develop, publish and maintain a Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) identifying a fifteen year supply of land that will help deliver the annual housing planning target, currently 3,150 homes.	On target	This is in line with the Core Strategy which was adopted in September 2010 and in the Managing Development DPD which will be formally adopted after the Examination in Public in September 2012. The Council keeps housing land supply under review through its Annual Monitoring Report
<mark>60</mark>	Tower Hamlets will work closely with statutory agencies to ensure that SHLAA data informs statutory agencies' investment programmes. priorities, including the London Development Agency, London Thames Gateway Development Corporation, and Homes and Communities Agency	On target	In 2009/10 the Council have been working up the Borough Investment Plan (BIP). The BIP was internally signed off in September-10 and submitted to the HCA thereafter and waiting sign off. Following the change of Government in 2010, a new funding process was announced through which resources are now channelled to RPs by the GLA through contracts, thus rendering BIPs redundant.

			The Council will work in conjunction with RPs and the GLA to identify sites and secure new house building resources to meet its objectives
61	Tower Hamlets will work with statutory agencies – Homes and Communities Agency, London Thames Gateway Development Corporation, Greater London Authority, London Development Agency, Transport for London - to maximise housing and wider infra-structure investment and private sector leverage to deliver housing strategy objectives.	On target	As above
62	Tower Hamlets will seek to maximise opportunities from the Government's 'HomeBuy' and successor programmes to enable residents to maximise opportunities to gain access affordable home ownership opportunities	Completed	In 2010-11 the directorate worked with an RP to bring forward family sized shared ownership units with the aim of offering them in the first instance to existing overcrowded shared owners. The team worked with the Housing Options team and other preferred partners operating in the Borough. During this monitoring period 50% of new affordable homes were Intermediate and of these 48% were shared ownership/equity products.
63	Tower Hamlets will focus on the ten key projects identified to help deliver sustainable housing outcomes for borough residents	On target	Of the 10 key projects two are underway (Ocean, Mildmay Hospital) remainder are in the BIP (see objective 54 and 60 for BIP status). Following the change of Government in 2010, a new funding process was announced through which resources are now channelled to RPs by the GLA through contracts, thus rendering BIPs redundant. The Council has identified its key sites and regeneration projects and will take these forward accordingly.
64	Tower Hamlets will convene a Housing Strategy Programme Board that will oversee the implementation of the commitments set out in the Housing Strategy and corporate strategic housing projects and report to the Great Place to Live Community Plan Delivery Group	Setup Completed Ongoing to 2012	In latter part of 2009/10 it was decided the GPtL CPDG would be the deliverer of the Housing Strategy. This supersedes the structure described in the 'Delivery Plan' section of the Housing Strategy.
<mark>65</mark>	Tower Hamlets will produce an Annual Report setting out achievements and priorities.	Completed	The Annual Report of LBTH Housing Strategy presented to the deliverer (GPtL CPDG) on 11 th July 2011
<mark>66</mark>	Tower Hamlets will continue to work closely with Tower Hamlets Housing Forum with a particular focus on overseeing the management of the Common Housing Register and delivering wider Community Plan priorities.	On going	THHF currently works with around 15 local Registered Providers (RP) in partnership. The THHF executive is the lead forum for a number of sub groups (which is currently being reorganised, with additional Hsg Mgt and Asset Mgt sub groups) which work with the Council towards achieving local targets. Preferred Partnering has seen a number of new RPs now regularly attending the forum.

			THHF progress is assessed at the end of every financial year. The CHR still features as a prominent sub group. The SHT meets with THHF every other month & the activities of common housing register sub group is a regular feature at these meetings. THHF is also represented on the Great Places to Live Group.
<mark>67</mark>	Tower Hamlets will convene an Annual Developers Forum meeting for affordable and private developers to discuss housing development issues	On target	Currently organised by the Development Control Team on a 6 monthly basis where private and affordable housing providers meet with Officers to discuss planning issues. In 2011/12 the Forum met to discuss the Council's Core Strategy and managing Development DPD.