

West Devon Housing Strategy

Member Workshop views 15 September 2020

Strategy Development

- 🏠 Members supportive of splitting the strategy in to Place and People
- 🏠 Strategy should consider ways of ensuring homes are of a good standard
- 🏠 Consider lobbying government for proper standards for buildings (Parker Morris standard)
- 🏠 Explore opportunities for building our own quality homes
- 🏠 Ensure we fully utilise existing housing stock
- 🏠 Strategy needs to have a strong focus on supporting the most vulnerable – are there opportunities for us to access more grant funding to improve sound proofing etc
- 🏠 Opportunities for communal working spaces in (or close to) communal housing? Given Covid-19, we could be looking at more home working
- 🏠 Climate Change emergency considerations need to be present throughout the Strategy

Other comments / good practice / training

- Arrange a member briefing on Local Need and Devon Home Choice prioritisation etc
- Look at Methodist Homes project in Mary Tavy as a good example– communal but with own bathrooms etc
- Pull together short summary of grants available for individuals for home improvements

