SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER DECISION RECORD

The following decision was taken on 02 March 2021 by the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods and Community Safety.

Date notified to all Members: Thursday 4 March 2021

The end of the call-in period is 4:00 pm on Wednesday 10 March 2021

Unless called-in, the decision can be implemented from Thursday 11 March 2021

1. TITLE

Older Persons Independent Living with Care Allocations Policy and Processes

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

That the Cabinet Member:-

- (a) notes the proposals for allocations to the Council's forthcoming Older Persons Independent Living with Care schemes;
- (b) approves the amendments to the Council's Allocations Policy attached to the report at Appendix A; and
- (c) agrees that the policy amendments be implemented with effect from 10th March 2021.

3. Reasons For Decision

The proposal described is the preferred option as it allows the aims of the scheme to be realised and offers improved customer experience by providing the choice to access a new housing option for older people, allowing them to live independently for longer, in accommodation that is purpose built to meet their changing needs in a balanced sustainable community.

4. Alternatives Considered And Rejected

To allocate all properties in line with general needs properties such as sheltered housing schemes. The benefits to this would be that no changes are required to the policy, and properties can be advertised and let through already established procedures. However, the schemes have a mix of both general need properties and properties with care, and this would make it more difficult to find and identify those with care needs. This customer group would also be at a disadvantage with a weekly bidding system that may be harder for them to access. The schemes aim of a balanced sustainable community would be harder to achieve.

- Any Interest Declared or Dispensation Granted
 None
- 6. Respective Director Responsible for Implementation
 Director of Housing and Neighbourhoods Service
- Relevant Scrutiny Committee If Decision Called In Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny Committee