## **Vice-Chair's Update – Housing Scrutiny Work Group**

The Housing Scrutiny Work Group met on 14 February to carry out a pre-decision scrutiny review of the draft Prevention of Homelessness Strategy.

The Council's Service Manager – Housing Management and Housing Strategy & Research Manager attended the meeting and explained the work undertaken in developing the draft Strategy and the consultation undertaken so far which included housing associations, the third sector, as well as with Crisis, a national homelessness specialist charity.

Following the discussion, the Housing Scrutiny Work Group endorsed the draft Strategy as it was considered to meet the requirements placed upon the council by the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017.

The draft Strategy will be submitted for consideration by the Cabinet in April.