

APPENDIX A – Joint Commissioning Partnership

	Annual Health Check Questions	Commentary (Please refer to any supporting documents)	Scrutiny Comments
9.1	What has the partnership achieved during the course of the previous twelve months?	Delivery of 26 new affordable dwellings. 71 starts on site and a further 557 dwellings in the development pipeline (this includes the W2 completions and pipeline schemes)	
9.2	How have the achievements made a difference to the residents/visitors/businesses of Warwick district and how do those achievements align to the aims of the Sustainable Community Strategy?	<p>Support “Fit For Future” vision of making Warwick District a great place to live, work and visit.</p> <p>The provision of new high quality, affordable housing will help to meet the needs of residents of the District, and by increasing the overall supply will help to ease some of the housing pressures currently experienced within the District.</p> <p>Will also contribute to the local economy; some of the Providers use local labour and promote employment opportunities including apprentices and training opportunities where appropriate.</p> <p>New developments will also help meet the needs of an ageing population with the provision of new affordable extra care housing.</p>	
9.3	Have there been any significant changes to the external environment, such as the state of the economy or the introduction of new legislation, which require a re-appraisal of the need for the partnership? If so, what are these?	<p>The introduction of affordable rent tenure and a decrease on grant funding have all impacted on the way affordable housing is delivered.</p> <p>Registered Providers (RP’s) ability to borrow finance for</p>	

		<p>development has been restricted due to the decrease in Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) funding available and the introduction of fixed term tenancies, and some RP's did not receive the anticipated grant funding from the HCA making delivery more difficult. The partnership has evolved during this time to ensure delivery is maintained. A re-appraisal is not required at this stage as schemes are coming forward.</p>	
9.4	<p>What measures have been used to determine whether the partnership is providing value for money?</p>	<p>Delivery is being achieved with little funding from WDC. When funding is requested we go to other members of the partnership to see if they can deliver without our grant.</p> <p>Value for money has to be demonstrated, in terms of design, procurement, and development of new homes along with added value, for example, energy efficiency measures.</p> <p>High quality sustainable housing is developed in line with the requirements of the Affordable Housing SPD.</p>	
9.5	<p>What consideration to extending the scope of the partnership has been made?</p>	<p>None – this partnership is in addition to other mechanisms to secure the delivery of affordable housing</p>	
9.6	<p>How can it be demonstrated that the achievements were not possible without the partnership?</p>	<p>Without working in partnership we would not be able to address housing need in the district.</p>	
9.7	<p>What alternative options to the partnership have been</p>	<p>We are looking at ways of extending the partnership to</p>	

	considered?	maximise delivery opportunities. The Council is also committed to self build.	
9.8	What are the key outcomes to be achieved over the forthcoming twelve months and how will they be measured?	Maximise the delivery of housing across the District. There are 81 expected completions in the next 12 months.	
9.9	What arrangements have been in place during the previous 12 months for the management of risk? If no risk register is in place, why was one considered unnecessary?	The partnership has no financial responsibilities but is kept under review as part of the departmental risk register.	