

## Overview & Scrutiny Recommendation Response Pro forma

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### Issue: Community Asset Transfer Policy and Leases to VCS Organisations

**Lead Cabinet Member(s):** Cllr Dan Levy, Cabinet Member for Finance

**Date response requested:**<sup>2</sup> 17 December 2024

### Response to report:

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### Response to recommendations:

Recommendation	Accepted, rejected or partially accepted	Proposed action (if different to that recommended) and indicative timescale (unless rejected)
That the Council ensures that local members are involved with next-step discussions with		

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<p>VCS groups and the social value provided by these organisations be considered as part of the discussions.</p>		
<p>That the Council improves communications around empty properties, including: i) sharing with members a clear statement of the aspiration and timeline for disposing of properties listed for disposal, ii) a quarterly report/update summarising recent events and developments with Council land/property ensuring all parties are kept up to date, and iii) regular updates for those residents neighbouring vacant Council properties to keep them up to date with ongoing developments and plans.</p>		
<p>That the Council develops processes for sharing with both members and sister organisations in the county, i) lease requests by VCS organisations, ii) land available for VCS leases, and iii) any planned leases.</p>		