

**MINUTE OF THE LANDLORD SERVICES COMMITTEE (CABINET WORKING GROUP)  
5 SEPTEMBER 2011**

**40. ELMSTEAD DEVELOPMENT PROPERTY ALLOCATION**

The Working Group considered the joint draft report of the Director of People and Places and Director of Transformation which detailed progress on the Elmstead new build development and sought the views of members in respect of allocation of the 17 new Council properties.

Members considered the recommendations to Cabinet regarding the initial allocation of properties using the local connection criteria for applicants living in Tanhouse 1&2 and discussed matters in respect of :

- Fairness
- Sustaining a community
- Downsizing
- Local connections policies in other part of the Borough
- 50/50 split
- Cash back for relocation
- Changes to housing benefit regulations

- RESOLVED: A. That the recommendation to Cabinet, that the initial allocation of properties at Elmstead using the local connection criteria of applicants living in Tanhouse 1&2 (Egerton, Ennerdale, Enstone, Elmridge, Elmstead and Elswick), be endorsed.
- B. That the Assistant Director Housing and Regeneration to provide more detailed information to tenants in respect of the changes to housing benefit as soon as it becomes available.