

Press release -

The council is currently consulting on its draft Housing Strategy.

The strategy has been developed to guide how we approach the housing needs of our residents, the future delivery of new homes and the management of existing accommodation.

Partnership working is key to increasing access, supply, quality and management of all homes regardless of whether you own your own home or rent it.

To achieve this the strategy outlines four key priorities, which are:

- Improving access to and supply of housing
- Improving housing standards and safety across all tenures
- Supporting the health and wellbeing of our residents and communities
- Preventing homelessness and tackling rough sleeping

Give us your views

The consultations are open to all Thanet residents as well as businesses, community and voluntary organisations. We are keen to hear your views on this strategy.

You can do this by completing the Draft Housing Strategy **questionnaire**.

Questionnaire

The Housing Strategy has been developed to consider housing issues in Thanet. The Housing Strategy brings together all housing related activity into a single document to provide strategic direction for our residents, partners and stakeholders. The Strategy contains a series of key messages that set out our priorities and approaches to addressing housing issues. The Housing Strategy is supported by a strategic action plan.

The draft Housing Strategy is based on four key housing priorities.

- Priority 1 - Improving access to and supply of housing
- Priority 2 - Improving housing standards and safety across all tenures
- Priority 3 - Supporting the health and well being of our residents and communities
- Priority 4 - Preventing homelessness and tackling rough sleeping

Priority 1 - Improving access to and supply of housing

To what extent do you agree with our proposed approach to increase the delivery of homes?

Strongly agree/agree/neither agree or disagree/disagree/strongly disagree

Are there any other areas you would like to see covered in the housing strategy in relation to increasing the delivery of homes?

Priority 2 - Improving housing standards and safety across all tenures

To what extent do you agree with our proposed approach to improving housing standards and safety across all tenures?

Strongly agree/agree/neither agree or disagree/disagree/strongly disagree

Are there any other areas you would like to see covered in the Housing strategy in relation to improving the quality of council and private sector housing?

Priority 3-Supporting the health and wellbeing of our residents and communities .

To what extent do you agree with our proposed approach to supporting the health and well-being of our residents and communities?

Strongly agree/agree/neither agree or disagree/disagree/strongly disagree

Are there any other areas you would like to see covered in the Housing strategy in relation to supporting the health and well being of our residents and communities?

Priority 4 - Preventing homelessness and tackling rough sleeping.

To what extent do you agree with our proposed approach to preventing and tackling homelessness and rough sleeping?

Strongly agree/agree/neither agree or disagree/disagree/strongly disagree

Are there any other areas you would like to see covered in the Housing strategy in relation to preventing homelessness and tackling rough sleeping?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed Housing Strategy?