**Cabinet response to recommendations of the Housing Panel made on 07/11/2019 concerning Community Led Housing and approval to dispose of land at Champion Way.**

**Provided by the Cabinet member for Affordable Housing, Councillor Mike Rowley**

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| ***Recommendation*** | ***Agree?***  | ***Comment*** |
| 1. **That the Council will, when publicising and raising awareness of Community Led Housing, take steps to ensure that the barriers to demographic groups with less exposure to the concepts of communal living, particularly social housing tenants, are identified and addressed, and to ensure that these groups are equally equipped to understand the benefits of and to participate in the opportunities afforded by Community Led Housing.**
 | Agreed  | In the nature of the projects being “community led”, we must let the hub and CLH groups take the lead on this, i.e. we will promote interest in their model(s) by highlighting and distributing their publicity. |
| 1. **That the Council will, in identifying tenants with the values, skills and motivations suited to community living, give the Oxfordshire Community Land Trust a formal role in the selection process.**
 | Agreed in part  | As a Council we have a duty to ensure housing needs are met, and we will not give any provider a role in selection that could risk the “cherry-picking” of prospective tenants. I expect, however, that agreement can be reached on the CLH groups having an important advisory role. |