

## Appendix 1 - Draft Allocations Policy 2022-26

### Principal Changes

Ref	Change
1.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More detail on legislative and related framework</li> </ul>
2.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New statement on choice specific to Arun</li> </ul>
3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More detail on Equality and Diversity including the Public Sector Equality Duty</li> </ul>
4.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing Options Team Roles &amp; Responsibilities</li> </ul>
4.2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discretion available to the Housing Options Manager in exceptional circumstances</li> </ul>
4.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statement on Safeguarding</li> </ul>
6.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Change to local connection criteria from resident for at least 5 years to currently resident for at least 3 years</li> <li>• Change local connection criteria from currently resident and have previous residency for 10 out of the last 15 years to currently resident and have previous residency for 5 out of the last 10 years</li> <li>• Change to local connection criteria from working part time for 24 hours per week to working part time for 16 hours per week</li> </ul>
7.3.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to accept applicants maintaining a payment plan on housing related debts</li> </ul>
7.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Changes to the income and savings qualification levels</li> </ul>
10.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Less onerous registration/verification process. More detailed verification will take place at offer stage</li> </ul>
17.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Lettings Plans</li> </ul>
18.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simplified statement on bedroom entitlement</li> </ul>
19.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revised selection criteria for offers of accommodation</li> </ul>
20.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New section on review and appeal</li> </ul>
21.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More detail on data protection</li> </ul>
22.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discretion available to the Group Head of Residential Services to make minor amendments to the Scheme between reviews required due to changes in legislation, statutory guidance and local need</li> </ul>

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Appendix A	<p><b>Banding changes</b></p> <p>Band A - changes to subcategories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A1 (description of medical need)</li> <li>• A5 (Fixed Term Tenancies) and A6 (Decant) deleted as these are no longer relevant</li> <li>• New A10 (homelessness main duty moved to Band A)</li> <li>• A11 Homeless Making Own Arrangements given increased priority to disincentivise the use of Temporary Accommodation while ensuring safeguarding through home visits and other checks</li> </ul> <p>Band B – changes to subcategories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• B1 (description of medical need)</li> <li>• B2 moved to A11</li> <li>• Subcategories renumbered accordingly</li> <li>• B2 (Homelessness Relief Stage) moved from C2</li> <li>• B6 (Returning from institution) removed</li> <li>• B6 (Homelessness Prevention Stage) moved from C2</li> <li>• B7 (removal of care)</li> <li>• B9 (Additional Preference for people fleeing domestic abuse)</li> <li>• B10 (Additional preference for young people leaving local authority care)</li> </ul> <p>Band C – changes to subcategories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C1 (description of medical need)</li> <li>• C2 (Homelessness Prevention stage) to B6</li> <li>• C5 (Management Transfer) removal</li> </ul> <p>New Band D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• D1 (Older people with no local connection made eligible for low demand sheltered housing)</li> <li>• D2 (dealing with applicants for Community Land Trust allocations)</li> <li>• D3 Reduced priority – no bids in six months</li> </ul>
Appendix A D3	Addressing the issue of applicants given the highest priority; reasonable preference or additional preference not bidding for properties that would meet their needs