

Appendix 1

Economy, Skills, Transport and Environment Scrutiny Tracker 24/25				
Date	Item	Recommendation/ Action	Responsible Person	Notes
8 November 2023	Sandwell Local Plan – Consultation on the Draft Sandwell Local Plan	To consider the potential use of co-operative ownership housing models and the social value that they can offer.	Andy Miller	<p>The Local Plan policy now includes the following text as part of the Self-Build, Custom Build and Co-operative Housing section:</p> <p>5. <i>Where appropriate, Sandwell Council will support the delivery of community-led housing proposals, particularly where they can help provide social / affordable housing options that meet the specific requirements of local residents.</i></p> <p>Co-operative housing is already referred to in the National Planning Policy Framework, which effectively means it is considered an appropriate form of social housing should someone want to deliver such a scheme. A specific reference in the local plan would help by giving it a further degree of prominence, which is what the new policy section aims to do.</p>

