Homes England

Purpose of report

For discussion.

Summary

1. Homes England will be a critical partner for councils wanting to build homes and communities into the future - its role and purpose were recently set out in the [Homes England Strategic Plan 2018-23](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/752686/Homes_England_Strategic_Plan_AW_REV_150dpi_REV.pdf).
2. It is a new non-departmental public body, sponsored by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, which exists to accelerate the delivery of housing across England except in London where much of this role is devolved to the Greater London Authority. Homes England is a national agency with staff based across the country, currently of around 750 and likely to double over the next 18 months. Within the next few years Homes England will have invested over £27 billion across its programmes.
3. Tom Walker, Deputy Chief Executive of Homes England is attending the EEHT Board to discuss how Homes England and the Local Government Association can work together with councils to build homes.

Recommendation

The item is for update and comment.

Action

As directed by Members.

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