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STRATEGY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

MEMBER/OFFICER REPORT

NAME OF ORGANISATION/BODY	Leadership Gloucestershire
DATE OF LAST MEETING ATTENDED	23 January 2024
BRIEF REPORT:	
<p>The meeting was a single item agenda on the following issue</p> <p>Refugee Housing</p> <p>This meeting discussed the progress and future issues to be resolved on the topic of providing housing for refugees and asylum seekers.</p> <p>A County Council solution is in place to house those not deemed in priority need of homeless support, and funding has been committed by the County towards that scheme. Districts have agreed to share equally between them the costs of those in that accommodation who stay beyond an initial term.</p> <p>Districts are incurring costs for those in need of homelessness support for refugees. District S151 Officers are to discuss if there is a further need for cost sharing in this area.</p> <p>At the request of the Police and Crime Commissioner, District Councils were again asked to consider whether they had any sites suitable for modular housing.</p> <p>The potential issue of hotels previously used as asylum hotels being offered for local use at a commercial rate has been raised with the Home Office by Council Leaders as an issue of concern.</p> <p>It was also recognised that the need to provide long-term accommodation to various groups is a fundamental problem and must be tackled jointly.</p> <p>Any Other Business</p> <p>There was one item of AOB which is that the County Council is proposing a “Flood Summit” for March</p>	
FUTURE MEETINGS	5 th March, 10am 18 th June, 10am
REPORT SUBMITTED BY	Cllr Catherine Braun, Leader Andrew Cummings, Strategic Director of Resources
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