

Harrogate Borough Council
THE FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

1a. Dept Reference: DCS/FP/190	1b. Plan Ref No: 1/10/DCS 186
<p>2. Key Decision: (Title of item and description of the matter and why it is considered a key decision) Golden Triangle Purchase and Repair Project Harrogate is a member of the Golden Triangle Partnership, made up of Harrogate, City of York and Leeds City Councils, and its Cabinet Member for Housing sits on the Golden Triangle Partnership Board. A formal partnership agreement giving full delegated authority to the Partnership Board to take decisions on behalf of the three authorities is in the process of being drawn up, but has not yet been signed. In the meanwhile, under the Council's procurement rules, any expenditure which could exceed a £100,000 threshold in the Harrogate District requires Cabinet authorisation on behalf of the Partnership. The Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) has offered Registered Social Landlords (RSL) operating in the Golden Triangle up to £975,000 in Social Housing Grant to create up to 15 additional rural affordable homes through "Purchase and Repair". Two conditions apply – that the Golden Triangle Partnership puts in match funding of between £20,000 and £25,000 per property and that, to qualify, properties purchased must be ready for occupation by 31st March 2010. The properties will be identified and prioritised by their ability to complete by the deadline, rather than based on an equal distribution across the three local authorities. Details of proposed property numbers and locations will be presented verbally to Cabinet. The Golden Triangle Partnership receives external funding for its work from the Regional Regeneration and Housing Board. The match funding of up to £375,000 across the three local authority areas will come from this funding stream. Wards affected: All</p>	
<p>3. Decision By: (Name and title of the decision maker - if Cabinet indicate and list members by name only) Cabinet – Cllrs Mike Gardner, R Cooper, Jean Butterfield, Les Ellington, M Harrison, Andrew Jones and Don Mackenzie</p>	
<p>4. Expected Date of the Decision: (or period within which decision will be made) February 2010</p>	
5a. Principal Consultees: (List below)	5b. Means of Consultation: (List below)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Golden Triangle Partnership members 	Written and verbal
<p>6. Documents Submitted to the Decision Maker: (NB - Do not list any documents which are in draft form: indicate if document is exempt) A written report will be prepared for the Cabinet Meeting.</p>	
<p>7. NOTES FOR PUBLIC (i) If you wish to make representations about this decision they should be sent in writing by 29th January 2010 to Dawn Saxby (Executive Officer – Housing Strategy), who can be contacted at Springfield House, Kings Rd, Harrogate, HG1 5NX, by telephone on 01423 556851, or by Email – dawn.saxby@harrogate.gov.uk. (ii) If you require copies of documents shown at 6. above or as documents become available, please complete a document request form or contact the above address or telephone. Please Note: documents marked exempt are confidential and will not be made public.</p>	