

**Kent County Council**  
**Affordable Housing Select Committee**

**Hearing Day 5**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020**

**Witness Guide for Members**

*Below are suggested themes and questions. They have been provided in advance to the witnesses to allow them to prepare for the types of issues that Members may be interested to explore. All Members are welcome to ask these questions or pose additional ones to the witnesses via the Committee Chairman.*

**Themes and Questions**

**Tarun Bhakta, Assistant Policy Officer, Shelter**

- Please introduce yourself and provide an overview of Shelter and of your role and responsibilities in it.
- From Shelter's perspective, what are the key issues around affordable housing in Kent?
- Please discuss the key points of Shelter's report "Building for Our Future: A Vision for Social Housing".
- Please discuss Shelter's position with regard to homes for social rent.
- What more could KCC do, if anything, to promote the development and provision of affordable housing in Kent?
- Are there any other issues, with relevance to this review, that you wish to raise with the Committee?