**Targeted Letting Policy – New Build**

*PROPERTIES COVERED BY POLICY*

* All new build properties built or purchased by believe housing (or previously, County Durham Housing Group). For first lets and all subsequent lets for the first five years.

*CRITERIA*

Prioritisation will be in accordance with the relevant lettings policy (for example, Rent to buy or DKO) with the following additional criteria – we will:

* Carry out a home visit (where appropriate) with the proposed tenant prior to a formal offer being made
* Not consider any applicant with any records of ASB in the last 6 years, or any open cases of ASB being investigated at the point of offer
* Expect that applicants will have a clear rent account, including other charges such as recharges or FTA, for 12 months leading up to the formal offer being made (the Lettings Manager, believe housing, will have final determination of any exceptional cases).

*EFFECTIVE DATE*

* May 2019

*REVIEW DATE*

* This will be reviewed five years from the first let in 2019.