

Item No 3.2

Dear Ms Williamson,

My trade union branch wishes to have a deputation heard at the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee meeting on Tuesday 16th April 2013. We wish to relay to the Committee our views on the report "Managing Arrears Arising from Housing Benefit Under-occupancy Restrictions" and associated motions from Councillors.

Our branch has strong views on the bedroom tax. We have members in Shelter, Citizens Advice Scotland and a wide range of social housing associations.

Our deputation will prepare a briefing pack for Councillors on the Committee. I would be grateful if you could let me know the number of Councillors on the Committee. Our deputation will consist of three people led by myself as Secretary of the branch. We are aware that we may have ten minutes to make an oral submission and thereafter may answer questions from Councillors.

I hope that the deputation can be heard.

Des Loughney
Secretary
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