# Item 5.1 - Business bulletin

### **Finance and Resources Committee**

10.00am, Thursday 9 June 2016

Dean of Guild Court Room, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh



## **Finance and Resources Committee**

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Recent news	Background
Update on Greendykes and Wauchope communal heating system	Health, Social Care and Housing Committee 19 April 2016  For further information, please contact Michael Thain, Strategy & Investment Manager
On 9 October 2014, Governance, Risk and Best Value committee agreed: 'To request a report in 12 months to both the Finance and Resources Committee and Health, Social Care and Housing Committee on whether the savings were achieved.'	
An update was included in a report approved at Health Social Care and Housing Committee on 19 April 2016.	
The installation of the district heating system at Greendykes and Wauchope House formed part of a comprehensive upgrade of 172 Council flats in the two multi storey blocks. The upgrade also included extensive cladding to the building to improve insulation and energy efficiency, and replacement of kitchens and bathrooms in tenants' homes.	
The average annual cost per flat of the energy used by the district heating system is £474.40. Prior to that it is estimated that tenants were spending between £700 and £800 on heating costs annually. Tenants in these blocks have further benefited from the decision to charge an introductory flat rate of £1.00 per day. This was introduced to give tenants certainty over their future	

energy bills at a time when they expressed significant concerns about the risks of installing a new heating system and a new way of providing energy.

This update to Finance and Resources Committee discharges the remit from Governance, Risk and Best Value committee.

#### Rivers Centre Public Social Partnership/Carr Gomm

On <u>27 August 2015</u>, Committee requested that officers work alongside the Rivers Centre Public Social Partnership/Carr Gomm to identify alternative accommodation and to report the outcome back to Committee. Since that time, a number of options have been considered and discussions are now focusing on the vacant space in the upper floors of Fountainbridge Library. There has been a delay due to planned maintenance work to the building, however, it is expected that a report detailing the terms and conditions of a proposed lease will be presented to Committee later this year.

For information, please contact Peter Watton,

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### Forthcoming activities