Housing, Homelessness and Fair Work Committee

9 May 2023

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1	04.08.22	Rapid Rehousing <u>Transition Plan –</u> <u>Annual Update</u> <u>on Progress</u>	 To circulate a briefing note with further information on the rise of PSL Properties. 	Executive Director of Place	September 2022		Closed September 2022 A PSL Briefing has been organised for 26 September 2022



2) To request a briefing after the publication of the Accessible Housing Study (Appendix 1, 4.23) to understand more about:	Executive Director of Place	31 March 2023	Recommended for closure Briefing took place on 31.03.23.
a. The detail of the IIA referenced in the report.			
b. The relationship between – and overlap with – housing demand amongst homeless households and disabled households in the city.			
c. The findings and recommendatio ns of the			

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			Accessible Housing Study.				
2	29.09.22	<u>Capital City</u> <u>Partnership -</u> <u>Progress Update</u>	 To note that the Capital City Partnership events schedule would be shared with members. 	Executive Director of Place		13 October 2022	Closed December 2022 Briefing took place on 13 October 2022.

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			including trauma or violence.				
3	29.09.22	<u>HRA Budget</u> <u>Strategy</u>	 To agree a report in two cycles on the financial strategy setting out the current position with allocation of Transfer of the Management of Development Funding (TMDF), and an analysis of Strategic Housing Investment Framework (SHIF) funding allocations. 	Executive Director of Place	March 2023		Closed March 2023 Report on agenda for March 2023.

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			2) To agree the Convener would write to the COSLA President and the Cabinet Secretary to set out the significant challenges that Edinburgh faces in relation to EESSH2 delivery, and request that serious consideration was given to applying a funding formula based on need to the Social Housing Net Zero Heat Fund (SHNZHF) as well as request an increase to the overall fund and to ask for RPAs for 5 years and a further review of the increase in benchmarks.	Convener	October 2022	December 2022	Closed December 2022 Letters issued on 11.11.22 and 15.11.22. Letters and response issued to members.

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			3) To agree to ask the Council Leader to make the case for, and vote for, a funding formula based on need when the SHNZHF report is in front of COSLA Leaders	Convener / Council Leader	Autumn 2023		Update May 2023 Scottish Government to conclude EESSH2 review and report to go to COSLA leaders first. Update December 2022 Scottish Government will set out its intentions on funding for EESSH2 in 2023. A report can then be submitted and discussions at COSLA leaders meeting would provide the opportunity for the case to be made.

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			4) To request a briefing note providing more detail on the TMDF/SHIF.	Executive Director of Place	March 2023		Closed March 2023 Briefing session held on 25.01.23. Update December 2022 Details of this are covered in the SHIP 23-28 report to Committee in December 2022. A detailed report on TMDF/SHIF will be brought to Committee in March 2023 in response to Councillor Campbell's motion.
4	29.09.22	<u>Trade Unions in</u> <u>Communities</u>	 Note that officers will engage with the Trade Unions and community groups to identify what support the Council can offer to support the hub. 	Executive Director of Place	March 2023		Recommended for Closure Report was agreed in March 2023.

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			2) Agree that an update will be provided in December 2022.	Executive Director of Place	March 2023		Closed March 2023 Update on agenda for March 2023.
5	29.09.22	Motion by Councillor Caldwell – The Importance of Participatory Budgeting (See <u>Agenda</u> of 29 September 2022)	Requests that the Convener of Housing, Homelessness and Fair Work meet with the Convener of Finance and Resources to explore how we can support Council-led PB alongside local residents and volunteers.	Convener			Recommended for Closure Initial meeting was held with Cllr Meagher & Cllr Watt on 18.01.23, further discussions to take place.

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6	01.12.22	Edinburgh International Conference Centre – annual update for the year ending 31 December 2021	To note that EICC would offer a briefing session for Elected Members to discuss their plans, in the new year, and that to request that a schedule of planned repayments be presented at this session.	Executive Director of Place			Update May 2023 The EICC is currently updating its carbon report and will arrange to brief members once this work is complete. It should also be noted that the responsibility for oversight of the EICC was move to Finance and Resources Committee following the agreed governance changes at Council. The briefing provided will be shared with members of both committees for continuity.

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7	01.12.22	Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP) 2023-28	1) Agrees that councillors will receive a written briefing within one month setting out the detail of the pipeline of homes including how many sites will provide council owned affordable homes, including the number of homes on each site.	Executive Director of Place		March 2023	Recommended for closure Briefing note circulated 14 March 2023.
			2) To request that a table is provided detailing the percentages of SL homes, social homes, affordable housing on each site.	Executive Director of Place		March 2023	Recommended for closure Briefing note circulated 14 March 2023.

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		3) To note officers would provide members with more detail on the climate impact of building homes, as detailed in the Internal Impact Assessment.	Executive Director of Place		March 2023	Recommended for closure Briefing note circulated 14 March 2023.	
			 4) To note officers would consult with Councillor Whyte to provide a follow up on the concerns of specific undeveloped SL sites. 	Executive Director of Place		January 2023	Closed March 2023 Completed January 2023.

8	01.12.22	Living Hours City – Response to a motion from Councillor Campbell	Agrees to bring back a report in three cycles setting out in more detail what the scoping work for Edinburgh to become a Living Hours City would entail including:	Interim Executive Director of Corporate Services	August 2023	
			• An early discussion with Living Wage Scotland about what a journey to a Living Hours City could look like			
			 A preliminary assessment of which departments in the council would be 			
			affected alongside staff numbers			
			• A financial assessment of what impact becoming a Living Hours employer			
			could have on future council budgets			
			• Requests that the Living Wage Action Group consider this information and			
			their assessment is included within the report			

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9	09.03.23	2023/24 Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Capital Programme	 Agrees that a briefing note will be provided that sets out, in the form of tables, the current council housebuilding programme, by site, broken down into: Homes in design and development Homes approved Homes currently on site Homes completed this 	Executive Director of Place	May 2023		Update May 2023 Briefing note to be circulated May 2023.

 2) Agrees for a further report to HHFW in 3 cycles which will outline: i) What further building / estate improvements 	Executive Director of Place	October 2023	
could be built into WHR works to address the climate and nature emergencies beyond energy			
efficiency measures, including:			
a. Consideration of new approaches to more sustainable water			
management through changes to roofing, guttering and drainage,			
including the use of SuDS and nature-based solutions as part of this			
b. Consideration of actions which could be taken to decarbonise heat /			
energy sources within homes, for example, by preparing homes to be			
ready to connect to alternative, zero carbon			

energy sources in the future, such as heat networks ii) Detail about how the use of SIMD, stock condition findings and
tenure mix will inform which areas will be prioritised for investment and in what order, including explaining how this sequencing will represent a climate justice approach
iii) How the WHR work aligns with existing Council strategies and work programmes such as the 2030 Climate Strategy (and IPB), forthcoming Edinburgh Adapts plan (and climate change risk assessment) and Vision for Water Management, amongst others
iv) What additional resourcing may be required to deliver against further building / estate improvements outlined in 1.1.7 i) a, b as

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			part of WHR work, including:				
			a. options for how any required funding could be secured / provided outwith the HRA for this				
			b. a strategy for workforce recruitment, upskilling and retention to deliver this work, as part of our commitment to a just transition.				
			3) To request a workshop on whole house retrofit approach and an energy strategy.		September 2023		
10	09.03.23	Funding of affordable housing through the Scottish Government's Affordable Housing Supply Programme	1) To note detail would be included in the Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan, coming to Committee in May, as to why there's a higher number of households in temporary accommodation in Edinburgh compared to Glasgow.	Executive Director of Place	August 2023		

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			2) Asks the Convener of the HHFW committee to write to the Cabinet Secretary to ask for further information from the Scottish Government on the numerical formula, and the detailed workings out, for how the funding allocation for Edinburgh's TMDF and SHIF figures were calculated this year.	Convener	May 2023		

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11	09.03.23	<u>Tenant Hardship</u> <u>Fund (2023/24)</u>	Requests a further briefing note to members which contains: i) the full Equality Impact Assessment about the fund ii) Details about how the fund will be publicised amongst tenants and how tenants will be expected to reach out to ask for support from it - for example, via text, phone, email, face to face - with evidence of due consideration given to the various equalities impacts of this	Executive Director of Place	May 2023		

12	09.03.23	Response to motion by	1)	To agree that the information and		Update May 2023
		Councillor		signposting of the		Work on these
		Dalgleish –		services outlined		actions is now
		Energy Efficiency		in this report would		underway but have
		Task Force		be updated on the		not yet completed.
				'Home Energy'		Progress will be
				webpage, and		updated in the
				request that		Rolling Actions Log.
				Corporate		
				Services initiate an		
				ambitious new		
				campaign directing		
				residents to it.		
			2)	To ask the		
				Executive Director		
				of Place to		
				negotiate with the		
				Head of		
				Communications		
				about how this		
				kind of information		
				should be		
				included. This		
				would include		
				notifications of the		
				new/refreshed		
				page to all library		
				managers and		

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			school headteachers.				
13	09.03.23	Edinburgh International Conference Centre – Shareholders' Agreement and Strategic Delivery Agreement	To note the Chief Executive of EICC would share the details of the reduction of EICC's carbon footprint since 2019 with members.	Chief Executive of EICC			Update May 2023 The EICC is currently updating its carbon report and will arrange to brief members once this work is complete. It should also be noted that the responsibility for oversight of the EICC was move to Finance and Resources Committee following the agreed governance changes at Council. The briefing provided will be shared with members of both committees for continuity.

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14	09.03.23 <u>Gig Economy</u> <u>Task Force –</u> progress update	 To request an updated report and proposed programme of work to HHFW committee in 2 cycles in August 2023. 	Executive Director of Place	August 2023			
			2) To request an additional briefing note to all elected members setting out progress on the Council's support for the Get Me Home Safely campaign and associated actions, and how these are being integrated with the actions set out in this report.	Executive Director of Place	August 2023		

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15	09.03.23	Housing Service Improvement Plan – Update	Requests a short briefing note to outline: i) what access requirements are currently being considered as part of this work through the HSIP presently; ii) who has been consulted to inform work on this to date; iii) what provisions are in place to tackle digital exclusion through this work and iv) how the accessible housing working group will be able to engage with the implementation plan and delivery milestones relating to this action from the HSIP, once the group is formed. The briefing note should address how accessibility requirements were being considered as part of the Edindex partnership.	Executive Director of Place	May 2023		

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16	09.03.23	<u>Homelessness</u> <u>Services'</u> <u>Performance</u> <u>Dashboard</u>	To note the Interim Homelessness & Housing Support Senior Manager would circulate a note to members with more detail on figures in Appendix 1 of the report from the Executive Director of Place.	Executive Director of Place	April 2023		Recommended for closure Circulated 6 April 2023.

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17	09.03.23	Mixed Tenure Improvement Service	Requests a briefing note outlining in more detail: i) whether the current provision of grants and loan support is judged to be sufficient for owners in mixed tenure blocks to be able to agree to improvements through the MTIS ii) what further resources would be required to increase uptake amongst owners iii) how these resources	Executive Director of Place	5 May 2023		Subject to feedback from other Local Authorities to allow benchmarking exercise.
		could be fin iv) what lea take from o	could be financed, and iv) what learning we can take from other local authorities who are doing				
18	09.03.23	Place Directorate - Revenue Budget Monitoring 2022/23 – Month Eight Forecast	To note the Principal Accountant would share the definitions of the rent loss terms in the report with members and include these in future reports.	Executive Director of Place			

19	09.03.23	Motion by Councillor Campbell – Damp and Mould	To agree that officers should develop, with immediate effect, a plan to improve the response to the way the Council dealt with damp and mould with a commitment to establish an in-house dampness team with the recruitment of additional resources.	Executive Director of Place	May 2023	Recommended f closure Report on the agenda for 9 May 2023.	
			The improvement plan in development also included key areas such as: - an end-to-end process review putting tenants' health and wellbeing at the centre;				
			- training for all front-line staff and enhanced technical training for the dampness team;				
			- research and identification of new products for the prevention, treatment and removal of mould;				
			 better use of technology and systems to analyse trends and 				

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			data capture to inform future investment, including how the stock condition survey will inform capital investment.			

20	09.03.23	Motion by Councillor Caldwell – Taking stock of affordable housing by ward in the City of Edinburgh	 1) To request a briefing on the last 5 years (FYs 2017-2022), split into the 17 wards, that made up the City of Edinburgh detailing; i) How many affordable homes, as part of the HRA Business Plan, during those years had been; Granted planning permission. Underwent construction by the end of FY2022. Built to completion. 	Executive Director of Place	31 May 2023	Update May 2023 Briefing note to be circulated to committee in May 2023
			ii) How many planning applications were granted where a commuted sum was agreed for the affordable homes.			

	iii) How many
	approved
	affordable homes
	had been
	delivered within
	each ward and, in
	cases where that
	was not possible,
	what had
	happened to the
	commuted sum.
	iv) What were the
	main barriers to
	affordable housing
	being delivered on
	site and what was
	being done to
	overcome this.
	v) The percentage
	of housing-led
	development sites
	(by ward) which
	did not include
	affordable housing
	as part of the New
	Homes Strategy.
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	information
	requested included
	details of the

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			council's HRA housebuilding programme, all homes built under the AHSP, and all affordable housing built without subsidy.				