

QUESTION NO 8

By Councillor Parker for answer by the Convener of the Housing, Homelessness and Fair Work Committee at a meeting of the Council on 27 June 2024

- Question** (1) At the Housing, Homelessness and Fair Work committee meeting on 14th May 2024 under report 8.1 Cyclical Assurance on Service Performance, it was noted that:
- Since 2016-2017, there has been a 58.4% reduction in the number of major adaptations completed in Council homes (209 were completed in 16-17; 87 were completed in 23-24)
 - Since 2016-2017, there has been a 42.1% reduction in spending on major adaptations in Council homes (£933,142 (16-17) vs £540,000 (23-24))

What are the reasons for this reduction?

Answer (1)

Question (2) What existing processes are in place for Council tenants to request (major and minor) adaptations?

Answer (2)

Question (3) Given the data from Q1, what assurances can be given that the processes listed in Q2 are robust and sufficiently capture demand for works?

Answer (3)

Question (4) When was the Council / HSCP's adaptations policy last reviewed?

Answer (4)

Question (5) Are there plans to review the Council's adaptations policy / processes in light of the Scottish Government consultation on Part 1 of the Housing for Varying Needs (HfVN) design guide and introduction of a Scottish Accessible Homes Standard (SAHS)?

Answer (5)

Question (6) What work has the Council done to engage with disabled tenants and Disabled People's Organisations to capture their experience of the adaptations process, and what learning (if any) has been applied from this?

Answer (6)