

Amendment by the Conservative Group

Housing Homelessness and Fair Work Committee

14 January 2021

Item 7.1 - Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP)

2021-2026

Committee

Agrees recommendations but replaces “progress” with “concern” in item 1.1.2

Moved by: Councillor Jim Campbell

Seconded by: Councillor

Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

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Item 7.1 – Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP) 2021-26

In 1.1.2, delete “over the next five years” and insert “between 2017 and 2022”.

Moved by: Cllr Kevin Lang

Seconded by:

Amendment by the Coalition

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Item 7.2 – Land Strategy to Support Delivery of Affordable Housing and Brownfield Regeneration

Deletes 1.1.4 and replaces with:

1.1.4 that new investment models and partnerships with external organisations including housing associations, housing trusts and the private sector are needed to accelerate development of private sector land.

Moved by: Councillor Kate Campbell

Seconded by: Councillor Mandy Watt

Amendment by the Green Group

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Item 7.2 – Land Strategy to Support Delivery of Affordable Housing and Brownfield Regeneration

In recommendations:

Delete “notes” at the end of 1.1

Insert “notes” at the start of 1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.1.3 and 1.1.4

Insert at the end of recommendations:

"1.1.5 notes that the Scottish Government does not intend to proceed with the introduction of compulsory sale orders (CSOs) before the end of this session of Parliament, despite them being a key recommendation of the Scottish Land Commission and an SNP manifesto commitment in 2016; notes that such a mechanism could have a major impact on bringing empty homes and vacant land into use, and therefore agrees that the Convenor will write to Scottish Government urging them to introduce such a power at the earliest available opportunity."

Moved by: Councillor Chas Booth

Seconded by: Councillor Claire Miller

Amendment by the Green Group

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Item 7.4 – Empty Homes Update

Delete recommendations and insert:

"Committee:

1) notes the annual update on private sector empty homes, which focuses on the work being undertaken by the Council's Empty Homes Officer (EHO), and thanks the EHO for their dedicated work on bringing empty homes back into use over the past year;

2) notes that funding for the EHO post from the Scottish Empty Homes Partnership is only for 2 years, and there is therefore a need for the council to build a case for the mainstreaming of the funding for the post;

3) notes that EHO posts usually generate significant cost savings for local authorities through, for example, debt recovery; notes this is alluded to in section 4.2 of the report but that a detailed analysis of cost savings is not made explicit in the report;

4) notes that section 5 of the report refers to potential proactive work with council tax and homelessness service colleagues in order to increase the effectiveness of the EHO and support wider council priorities on homelessness, but that no specific proposals are included;

5) therefore agrees to receive a further report within two cycles setting out the potential to mainstream funding for the EHO post and to greater embed the work of the EHO within the wider homelessness and council tax teams in order to support wider council objectives on ending homelessness.

Moved by: Councillor Chas Booth

Seconded by: Councillor Claire Miller