

# Housing, Homelessness and Fair Work Committee

10.00am, Thursday 1 December 2022

## Appointments to the Homelessness Task Force

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### 1. Recommendations

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- 1.1 To agree to re-establish the Homelessness Task Force and to agree the remit set out in the Appendix to the report.
- 1.2 To appoint membership of the Homelessness Task Force.

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### 2. Executive Summary

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- 2.1 Working Groups that were appointed during the previous Council term (2017-22) ceased at the end of the term. Working Groups for the current term have not yet been appointed – it is proposed that all committees will appoint to Working Groups after the new political management arrangements have been agreed by Council.
- 2.2 However, to ensure that the important work overseen by the foregoing Homelessness Task Force does not stall, it is recommended that this group be re-established and appointed.
- 2.3 The proposed membership structure and remit of this working group is detailed in the Appendix to this report

### 3. Background

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- 3.1 A report agreed by Full Council on 24 June 2021 on Political Management Arrangements recommended that working groups would remain virtual in the short term, and that “An assessment should be made as to whether, in the long term, some working groups should remain virtual. The findings of this assessment would be reported back to Council as part of the next review of political management arrangements.”

### 4. Main report

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- 4.1 The membership of the previous iteration of this group was made up of one member from each political group. Committee should consider whether this should continue or whether the membership should be proportionate to that of the Council.
- 4.3 The proposed remit of the Homelessness Task Force is based on that of the previous group.

### 5. Next Steps

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- 5.1 Not applicable.

### 6. Financial impact

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- 6.1 Not applicable.

## **7. Stakeholder/Community Impact**

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7.1 Not applicable.

## **8. Background reading/external references**

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8.1 [Appointments to Working Groups 2021/22](#) – Report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services

8.2 [Minute of the Housing, Homelessness and Fair Work Committee of 2 September 2021](#) (item 13)

## **9. Appendices**

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9.1 Appendix 1 – Homelessness Task Force

## Homelessness Task Force

### Homelessness Task Force

#### Membership - 5 members

(1 Labour, 1 SNP, 1 SLD, 1 Green, 1 Conservative)

Councillor (Convener) Councillor

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#### Proposed Remit

- Build on existing prevention work which further reduces homelessness presentations.
- Reduce the number of people rough sleeping, accessing temporary accommodation and living in insecure accommodation.
- Increase the supply of quality council led temporary accommodation provision, reducing the reliance on bed and breakfast.
- Ensure that appropriate support is available for all homeless people who require it.

**Last Met:** 20 March 2022

**Expected completion date:** to be reviewed in September 2023