

APSE Parks, Grounds & Streets Advisory Group

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Briefings

- 16-06 Growing the health & well-being agenda
- 15-64 Local authority income generation, trading and charging: State of the market survey report 2015
- 15-63 Street Cleansing: Trend analysis 2014/15
- 15-62 Parks, open spaces and horticultural services: Trend analysis 2014/15
- 15-61 Cemeteries and Crematoria: Trend analysis 2014/15
- 15-56 Government funding for pocket parks
- 15-47 A critical review of evidence related to handarm vibration syndrome and the extent of exposure to vibration – a HSE report
- 15-38 Local authority allotment services: State of the market survey report 2015
- Barbecues in public parks
- Giant hogweed identification, threats, responsibilities and treatment solutions

Research

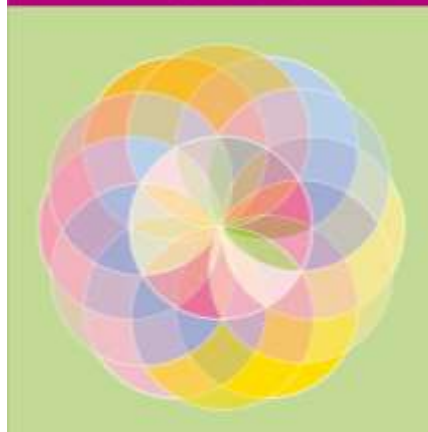
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The future of elected members in Scotland



Ensuring action on Health and Wellbeing


Opportunities for local authority catering and sport and leisure services to contribute to tackling obesity and promote physical activity






Retail energy policies in Britain: Towards 2020



Waste: A brave new world



What is ECO and Green Deal?
A simple guide for Local Authorities



Municipal Energy:
Ensuring councils plan, manage and deliver on local energy



Housing the nation
Ensuring councils can deliver more and better homes



Park Life, Street Life:
Managing demand in the public realm



Latest Research (1)

Park Life, Street Life: Managing demand in the public realm

In 'Park Life: Street Life: Managing demand in the public realm' we look at alternative options to simplistic cuts by exploring whether there is greater scope to address demand side issues by applying behaviour change tools and techniques in a public service environment. We also explore how local residents, businesses and community groups can become powerful actors within our public realm, helping to secure not just volunteer hours but access to funding streams, and playing an active role in the management of local spaces.



Park Life, Street Life:

Managing demand in the public realm



Latest Research (2)

Municipal Energy: Ensuring councils plan, manage and deliver on local energy

This research was written and researched by lead author Philip Monaghan and APSE finds that:-

- For every £1 invested in renewable energy schemes there is a further £2.90 in cashable benefits
- 17 jobs can be created from every £1 million in energy saving measures on building
- Energy efficiency and renewable energy can create 10 times more jobs per unit of electricity generated than fossil fuels
- The local government sector annual energy bill of £750 million could be reduced by up to half by leveraging in spending power and using readily available and low cost technologies existing buildings.

Municipal Energy:

Ensuring councils plan, manage and deliver on local energy



Upcoming research...

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The Ensuring Council and the workforce

APSE Northern with De Montfort University

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Performance and transformation in local government: The case for evidence based decision making

APSE with Public Intelligence

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Governance under austerity: An international comparison study

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The contribution Councillors make to local communities

APSE Scotland with De Montfort University

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Bringing accountability to chaos

APSE with De Montfort University

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Future housing needs

APSE with the Town and County Planning Association

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Municipal Entrepreneurship 2

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APSE Scotland Solar PV Toolkit

Produced by APSE Energy

Advocacy

- APSE Representative on the Executive Committee of Scottish Waste Industry Training, Competency and Health & Safety forum (SWITCH)
- Attended Scottish Party Political Conferences
- Continuing to attend conferences & events to promote APSE services
- Steering Group for Code of Practice on Litter and Refuse – Zero Waste Scotland/Scottish Government
- New elected member research – Democracy and Governance (out soon)

Performance Networks

- Scottish Building & Housing process benchmarking including Performance/ Cost Matrix and new Quarterly PI template collections
- Scottish Transport & Mechanical process benchmarking
- Land Audit Management Systems under way within Parks & Streetscene
- Year 18 templates will be distributed in April 2016

APSE Energy

- Now have 56 local authority members (11 in Scotland)
- The most recent council to join is West Lothian Council
- APSE Energy commissioned to complete Solar PV toolkit (to be formally announced at the forthcoming APSE Scotland Building, Housing and Renewables seminar in February)
- Mark has written an article to be published in the Town and County Planning Journal (Feb 16) on prospects for municipal energy in the UK

Solutions

- ▶ Solutions can provide consultancy support across the full range of council services, but in particular front line services.
- ▶ Solutions can provide help and expertise within a number of areas, the main ones including:-
 - Efficient use of resources
 - Income generation
 - Demand side measures
- ▶ Branching out across the Interim Management side, with several new Associates now joining, specialists in Roads & Highways, Bereavement Services, Building Maintenance, Facilities & Leisure and Parks and Open Spaces. For any Interim requirements, please contact Emma Taylor, Client Coordination Officer - 0161 722 1810 or etaylor@apse.org.uk

Training Events

Handling difficult conversations with customers	08/04/2016	Glasgow
Developing and Managing Service Level Agreements	14/04/2016	Glasgow
Supervisory Skills for Team Leaders in Frontline Services	13/06/2016	Glasgow
Principles of contract management	25/05/2016	Glasgow

Seminars

APSE National roads, street lighting and winter maintenance seminar 2016	Thursday 3 and Friday 4 March 2016, Newcastle Marriott, Newcastle upon Tyne
APSE Policy, Governance & Strategy seminar	Wednesday 16 March 2016, M Shed, Bristol
APSE Parks seminar 2016	Thursday 17 March 2016, Tatton Park, Knutsford
APSE Scotland Fleet, Waste and Grounds seminar 2016	Tuesday 17 to Friday 20 May 2016, Hilton Coylumbridge, Aviemore

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