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# Briefings

- ▶ 14-01 Scottish Government Free School Meals
- ▶ 14-04 ECO & Green Deal Changes
- ▶ 14-12 Consultation response Community Empowerment (Scotland) Bill
- ▶ 14-14 Scottish Housing Conditions Survey
- ▶ 14-17 Better Eating Better Learning
- ▶ 14-18 Audit of modern apprentices in Scotland
- ▶ 14-20 Consultation response ECO April 2014 with letter
- ▶ 14-23 Housing Scotland Bill
- ▶ 14-24 Beyond the School Gate
- ▶ 14-25 Performance Networks Environmental Health Pilot
- ▶ 14-26 State of the market study – Climate change & Renewable Energy
- ▶ 14-30 Reducing Fire Risk at Waste Management Sites
- ▶ 14-32 The Scottish Manual Handling Passport Scheme
- ▶ 14-35 Becoming a good food nation
- ▶ 14-38 Consultation Housing (Scotland) Act 2014 – Section 28

# Research

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## The ensuring council:

An alternative vision for the future of local government



## ENSURING HEALTH AND WELLBEING

A self-assessment tool for health and wellbeing boards



## The road to 2020

A manifesto for the Ensuring Council



## Local Water

The challenge and the prize for the ensuring council as a steward of water



## Innovation on the frontline:

How engagement with the local government workforce can improve service delivery in austere times



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## Ensuring Collaboration:

One way ahead for public-private partnerships

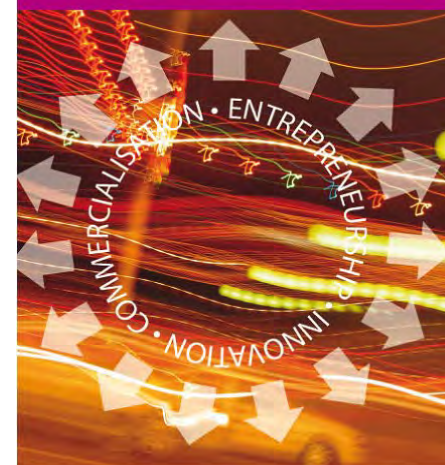


## The role and value of local authority assets in town centres



## Ensuring change:

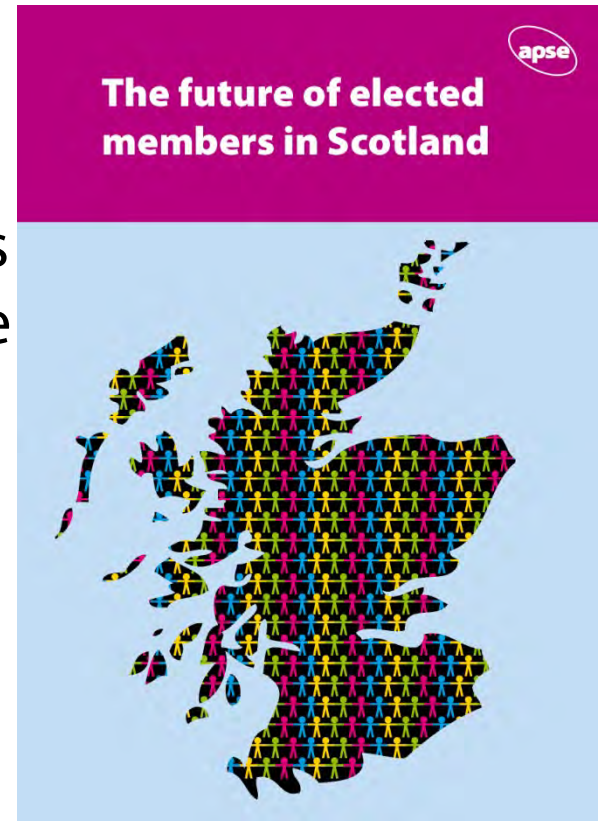
Building capacity in local government



# Research Recently Completed (1)

## The Future of Elected Members in Scotland

The changing demands, requirements and expectations of the office of the councillor, like those of local government, are once again under scrutiny in Scotland. This 2014 study surveys the beliefs and attitudes of elected members across Scotland. The survey generated returns from approximately 10 per cent of the 1222 councillors across the 32 authorities in Scotland. To supplement these returns, the survey was followed by a half-day focus group with elected members.



# Research Recently Completed (2)

## Better business: Councils shaping markets for public value

- Commission by APSE and written by New Local Government Network (NLGN)
- The report provides a range of positive recommendations to enable councils to nudge or 'budge' business towards more socially responsible products and business practices.
- This report will be of great interest to those with a role in public policy and service delivery and will act as a useful guide in exploring what councils could do to better influence local markets.



# Research Recently Completed (3)

## Ensuring Change: Building capacity in local government

- APSE in association with Public Intelligence produced this research
- Shows local authorities are imbued with an ethos of stewardship, municipal entrepreneurialism and maintaining core capacity to meet local needs
- Explores how authorities have embraced entrepreneurialism, innovation and commercialisation as the principles driving their strategic choices, service design and front-line practices.



# Research for 2014/15

- ▶ Waste: A Brave New World (Nov)
- ▶ The Value of School Meals to Public Health (Nov)
- ▶ Future of Local Government Finance (Dec)

Potential research topics including:-

- ▶ Welfare Reform
- ▶ Climate Change
- ▶ Public Health
- ▶ Housing

# Advocacy

- ▶ APSE Energy Scottish parliamentary launch on 27 November in Edinburgh
- ▶ Working with NHS Scotland & Scottish Government on the evaluation of the free school meals implementation
- ▶ Scottish Government consultations including the Housing (Scotland) Act 2014 – Section 28
- ▶ Attending Scottish Party Political Conferences
  - Over 45 attendees at the SNP fringe on the future role of elected members



# APSE Services (1)

- Performance Networks
  - Relaunch of Sports & Leisure in Scotland
  - Validations under way for the 2014 awards
  - Number of new Scotland reports including Environmental Health
  - Number of changes to current reports including the introduction of new tables and graphs
  - Places still available for the Performance Networks conference in Blackpool on 4/5 December

# APSE Services (2)

- ▶ APSE Solutions

- Activity in Scotland including: City of Edinburgh, North Ayrshire, West Dunbartonshire as well as live queries from West Lothian and NHS Health Scotland

- ▶ Training

- Activity in Scotland including: Aberdeenshire, Aberdeen City, Dumfries & Galloway, West Lothian as well as up & coming work in East Lothian

# Training Events

- ▶ CHAMPS2 Business change management – Edinburgh 11/12/14
- ▶ Awareness of Drugs & Alcohol for managers and supervisors – Glasgow 9/1/15
- ▶ Managing contractors Safety Masterclass – Glasgow 30/01/15
- ▶ Principles of contract management – Glasgow 6/2/15
- ▶ Supervisory Skills for Team Leaders in frontline services – Glasgow 31/3/15

# Seminars / Conferences 2014/15

- ▶ APSE Performance Networks Seminar 2014 Blackpool 4/5 December
- ▶ APSE Scotland Building, Housing & Renewables Seminar 2015 Dunblane Hydro 12/13 February

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