

APSE Building & Housing Advisory Group 28 October 2016



Briefings



- Scottish Household Survey Local authority housing and neighbourhoods
- Scottish Government's Local Government and Communities Committee – Call for evidence
- 16-39 Social Media State of the Market 2015
- 16-33 Scottish Government Apprenticeship Levy consultation
- 16-28 Climate Change State of the Market 2016
- 16-25 Steam Cleaning of Vehicles
- 16-21 Brexit implications for local government
- 16-12 Budget 2016: What it means to local authorities
- 16-11 Scottish House Condition Survey: Key findings 2014
- 16-04 The Housing and Planning Bill 2015-16 and related issues
- 16-01 Local Authority Housing, Building Maintenance and Construction: State of the Market Survey Report 2015

Research



Park Life, Street Life:

Managing demand in the public realm



Homes for all Ensuring councils can deliver the homes we need



APSE Scotland Solar PV Toolkit

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Suitable for roof and ground-mounted projects



Working at the frontline of austerity

The Ensuring Council and Workforce Planning



The final piece of the jigsaw

Elected members, everyday politics and local democracy in Scotland



The engine of the council? Evaluating frontline productivity in local government



Sustainable local government finance and liveable local areas

Can we survive to 2020?



Work it out

Creating Local Systems of Employability Support

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Latest Research (1)

Work it out: Creating Local Systems of Employability Support

Councils have already started to develop their own innovative responses to the challenge of employability. However, as the Work and Health Programme comes into operation, there is a danger of missed opportunities, and councils could offer much more if given the tools and incentives to do so. In fact, with the right support, local authorities could start to form the new frontline for employability support in a way that is far more efficient and locallysensitive than national programmes. This collaborative report from APSE and NLGN scrutinises the current place of local authorities in tackling unemployment.

Work it out







Promoting Excellence



Partnering with ITN Productions, APSE has produced an hour-long programme for our YouTube channel

The programme keenly examines the role that local authorities play in building sustainable communities. Drawing upon **ITN's** 60-year heritage and expertise in storytelling, **'Promoting Excellence'** aims to create a greater understanding of the processes, problems and solutions within a large number of frontline services.



Upcoming research...



Advocacy



- APSE Representative on the Executive Committee of Scottish Waste Industry Training, Competency and Health & Safety forum (SWITCH)
- Steering Group for Code of Practice on Litter and Refuse Zero Waste Scotland/Scottish Government
- New study on officers, elected members and community groups underway. Planned for the Autumn and Spring political party conferences (University of Edinburgh / De Montfort University)
- APSE fringe event & stand at the recent SNP conference
- Response to Call for evidence on Local Government Budgets 2017-18

APSE Energy



- Now have 63 local authority members (11 in Scotland)
- APSE Energy have completed the Scottish Solar PV toolkit, available now by request
- APSE Energy partners with Robin Hood Energy
- 11 APSE Energy briefings have been released this year
- Upcoming event 'Latest Developments in the Energy sector and their impact on local authorities'. Venue Fife Renewable Innovation Centre
- APSE Energy consultancy support is available Contact pbrennan@apse.org.uk / 0161 772 1810

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 <u>etaylor@apse.org.uk</u>

Training Events



Awareness of drugs and alcohol for managers and supervisors	17/11/2016 and 22/02/2017	Glasgow
Recruiting volunteers (Good practice for local authorities)	23/11/2016	Glasgow
Emotional Resilience	08/12/2016	Glasgow
Identifying damp, timber mould & structural problems	13/12/2016	Glasgow
Supervisory Skills for Team Leaders in Frontline Services	14/12/2016	Glasgow
Event Management	31/01/2017	Glasgow
Marketing your local authority services to business customers	08/03/2017	Glasgow
Leadership and management skills	27/03/2017	Glasgow

Seminars



APSE Refuse, Streetscene, Transport, Grounds and Parks Seminar	Stratford-Upon-Avon, 9-10 November 2016
APSE Performance Networks Seminar	Blackpool, 1-2 December 2016
APSE Scotland Building, Housing & Renewables Seminar	Dunblane, 16/17 February 2017
APSE Scotland Fleet, Waste & Grounds Seminar	Aviemore, 23/26 May 2017

Network Queries



- Our network queries service allows you to ask your peers in other Councils questions and receive information and advice.
- Queries are sent out via e-mail anonymously and any member is eligible to use this service.
- Responses are typically collated within a month.
- If you would like to send out a query, please contact me at <u>Lmelville@apse.org.uk</u> or call 01698 459051.



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