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# Housing Seminar

At a crossroads: Building foundations for healthy communities



**1 – 2 October 2020**

Online Seminar 10:00 – 12:30 each day

# Programme

## Day One: 1 October 2020

10:00 Seminar Start

### Session One

#### **Welcome by the Chair, Councillor Judy Hamilton, Fife Council**

#### **At a crossroads: Building foundations for healthy communities**

- Research aims - identifying innovation in the sector
- Methodology – review of policy context, case study analysis, online survey to leaders in council housing delivery, expert roundtable discussion
- Findings and recommendations to policy maker

#### **Paul O'Brien, Chief Executive, APSE**

#### **The role of housing in enhancing wellbeing**

- Wellbeing: what is it and why is it important
- Drivers of individual and community wellbeing
- Measuring wellbeing
- How can we maximise the wellbeing benefits of housing?

#### **Joanne Smithson, Local Government and Health Sector Lead, What Works Centre for Wellbeing**

*Audience question and answer session*

11:00 Virtual Coffee Break

### Session Two

#### **The sustainable housing offering in the City of Edinburgh**

- The unique nature of Edinburgh's housing stock
- Challenges around energy efficiency for existing homes
- The Net Zero Carbon Journey for new homes

#### **Tricia Hill, Development and Regeneration Manager, City of Edinburgh Council**

#### **Bristol's COVID-19 Recovery**

- Identifying the opportunities for housing delivery
- Addressing homelessness and move-on accommodation
- The role of housing in economic recovery

#### **Julian Higson, Director Housing and Landlord Services, Bristol City Council**

#### **Increasing offsite construction of Affordable Housing in Scotland: A Government Report and Next Steps**

- The report overview
- Summary of the key findings
- An outline of the next steps

#### **Andrew Nurse, Innovation Manager, Construction Scotland – Innovation Centre, and Mark Turley, Scottish Government**

*Audience question and answer session*

12:30 Day One Close

# Day Two: 2 October 2020

10:00 Day Two Start

## Session Three

### **Welcome by the Chair, Councillor Judy Hamilton, Fife Council**

#### **Has COVID-19 ended street homelessness?**

- The national context
- EveryoneIn-AshfieldandNottinghamshire
- Lessons learned about ending street homelessness
- The beginning of the end for all or just for some?
- Scanning the horizon

### **Emma Lindley, Housing Strategic Lead, Ashfield District Council**

#### **Creating a lasting legacy through regeneration**

- Developing the brief for Newfield Road regeneration project
- Involving residents in the process
- Overcoming the challenges
- What legacy has been created?

### **Scott Masterman, New Build Manager, North Kesteven District Council**

#### **Creating safer environments for tenants**

- Establishing the right product for the property
- Getting the right fit
- A case study example

### **Tony Boyle, Regional Specification Manager – Scotland Central, Aico**

*Audience question and answer session*

11:00 Virtual Coffee Break

## Session Four

### **Tackling the issue of empty homes**

- Making the case for Homes Again
- Putting in place the building blocks for success
- Community impact and wider benefits

### **Kathryn Irvine, Senior Housing Development Officer and Karen Rae, Empty Homes Officer, West Dunbartonshire Council**

### **Healthy Homes Dorset**

- Addressing the issue of cold homes
- Gaining funding and working in partnership to achieve positive outcomes
- Developing a wider approach

### **Jon Bird, Healthy Home Programme Manager, Dorset Council**

*Audience question and answer session*

12:30 Seminar Close

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# Seminar Objectives

## About the Seminar

A healthy approach to place making should have been our shared objective before the advent of COVID-19, but it is even more important now. The global pandemic has both amplified and graphically illustrated the need for real change to ensure health and wellbeing are at the heart of the planning process.

The new APSE/TCPA research, 'At a crossroads: Building foundations for healthy communities' explores the role of local councils in making places healthier, including through housing standards.

This bespoke online seminar brings together expert speakers that explore:-

- The role of housing in wellbeing
- The role that housing can play in the post COVID-19 economic recovery
- How offsite construction can increase affordable housing in Scotland.

In addition, there are case study presentations, focusing on homelessness, bringing empty homes back into occupation and how regeneration can create a lasting legacy.

## Who should attend?

- All local authority housing professionals
- Housing company managers, officers and business development teams
- Leaders, Executive Members and Cabinet officeholders for housing portfolios alongside scrutiny members
- Commercialisation and transformation teams
- All those with an interest in developing or improving innovative solutions to addressing housing need

The seminar will allow delegates to take part in Q&A sessions with our panels of expert speakers either using the online chat function or through audio-video connections.

You will need access to the internet and an audio connection to take part, ideally with a video/web cam. A joining link will be sent after you register to attend with full instructions a few days before the event and we will issue a reminder of the joining link to you before the event takes place.

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