

APSE PARKS, GROUNDS & STREETS ADVISORY GROUP

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Briefings

- ▶ 13/06 Low Carbon Scotland
- ▶ 13/29 Waste (Scotland) Regulations
- ▶ 13/30 Trend analysis parks
- ▶ 13/35 Impact of economic recession on waste generation
- ▶ 13/38 Parks state of the market survey 2013
- ▶ 13/42 Scottish Procurement Reform Bill Update
- ▶ 13/44 National Litter strategy
- ▶ 13/45 APSE Facilitated Local Authority Energy Collaboration

Research

The ensuring council:

An alternative vision for the future of local government



Tackling youth unemployment:

Local authorities leading the response



Municipal entrepreneurship



The Green Deal

ECO implications for local authorities



Innovation on the frontline:

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



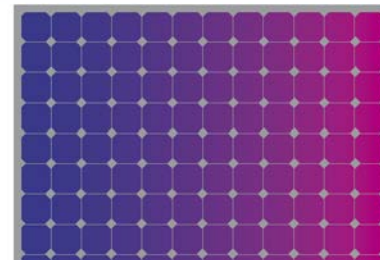
The transition to a green economy:

The vital role of the ensuring council



Powerful impacts:

Exploring the economic and social benefits of renewable energy schemes



The road to 2020

A manifesto for the Ensuring Council



Research

- ▶ The value of local authority assets to town centres
- ▶ Future of Elected Members
- ▶ Future of Local Government Finance
- ▶ Energy efficiency in houses in multiple occupation in private sector
- ▶ Flooding
- ▶ The value of school meals to public health in Scotland
- ▶ Operational management issues in waste & recycling

Advocacy

- ▶ Representation at Scottish Party Conferences (October)
- ▶ Meeting with CoSLA regarding continuing and developing collaboration within a number of areas including waste & climate change
- ▶ Providing evidence to CoSLA commission which is examining the future of local government including our recent publication *The Road to 2020: A manifesto for the Ensuring Council*
- ▶ Scheduled to present at the upcoming SOCOEHS in December with regards to the development of the Protective services PN benchmarking pilot
- ▶ Meeting with SHBVN (Scottish Housing Best Value Network) updating on our Performance Networks service

APSE Services

- ▶ Performance Networks
 - Nominees for Best Performer & Most Improved Performer for the Blackpool event have now been released
 - 22 out of 32 Scottish local authorities shortlisted
 - Validations for the awards are in progress
 - Progress within the Protective services pilot
- ▶ APSE Solutions
 - Activity in Scotland including: West Lothian & Clackmannanshire
- ▶ Training
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Training Events

- ▶ Supervisory skills for team leaders in frontline services – Edinburgh 28/3/14
- ▶ Financial management for operational managers – Glasgow 12/12/13
- ▶ ICCM Customer care in cemeteries & crematoria services – Glasgow 14/01/14
- ▶ Asset management in Scotland Parks & Greenspace – 16/1/14 Edinburgh
- ▶ Principles of contract management – Manchester 27/1/14
- ▶ Health & safety for managers in waste & environmental services – Leeds 31/1/14
- ▶ Health & safety in amenity & ground services – Glasgow 24/2/14
- ▶ Health & safety risk management – Glasgow 25/2/14 or Edinburgh 27/3/14
- ▶ Driving at work – Edinburgh 26/3/14

Seminars / Conferences 2013/14

- ▶ Performance Networks seminar 5/6
December 2013
- ▶ Scottish Building & Housing/ Renewables &
Energy Efficiency seminar 19/20 February
2014
- ▶ Scottish Fleet, Waste & Grounds seminar 6 – 9
May 2014

Thank you for listening

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