Staying In Project - Presentation noted.

6 There was heard a presentation by Mr David Ramsay, Homelessness Network Scotland regarding the prevention of homelessness using a place-based approach, advising

(1) of the funding received from the National Lottery Community Fund that had allowed collaboration in Pollock and Gorbals to set up a local panel to oversee work, invited bids and had funded 6 organisations;

(2) that each community across the city had a different need and a different response at a local level;

(3) that Community Planning Partnerships should include 'preventing homelessness' as a priority outcome in Local Outcome Improvement Plans and Locality Plans;

(4) that 71% of people connected with Staying In were no longer at risk of homelessness, easing pressure on Council services, protecting homes and keeping people in their communities and as a result panel members would look at a place-based approach to prevention in locality planning meetings; and

(5) of the development of the homelessness prevention duty that would be included in the Housing Bill later to Parliament this year which would require a duty for all public bodies to 'Ask & Act', Ask about housing and Act to protect homes and prevent homelessness.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the presentation;

(b) agreed to add 'the prevention of homelessness' to the Dennistoun Area Partnership Key Priorities; and

(c) discussed the potential nomination of representation from the Staying In Project as a member on the Partnership.