

## **Glasgow's Housing Strategy Affordable Warmth Programme - Energy Efficient Scotland Programme - Area Based Schemes grant award 2021/22.**

**3** Councillor McLean, City Convener for Neighbourhoods, Housing and Public Realm, presented a report regarding the award of funding to this Council to deliver energy efficiency improvements to owner-occupied and private rented properties in wholly owned and mixed tenure blocks in Glasgow under the Scottish Government's Energy Efficient Scotland – Area Based Schemes programme for 2021/22, advising

- (1) that the Scottish Government's Home Energy Efficiency Programme for Scotland: Area Based Schemes was introduced in April 2013 as a successor to the Universal Home Insulation Scheme and was an area-based approach to deliver insulation measures to owner-occupied and private landlord-owned properties, which was supported by funding from the Scottish Government and was delivered by local authorities;
- (2) of this Council's strategic approach to tackling fuel poverty in Glasgow and of the provisions of the Fuel Poverty (Scotland) Act 2019, which had included the requirement of the Scottish Government to prepare a Fuel Poverty Strategy, which was due to be published in September 2020, however, the development of the strategy had been paused due to COVID-19;
- (3) that this was the 9th year of the Area Based Schemes programme and for 2021/22, the Scottish Government had awarded this Council £6,212,342 from the Energy Efficient Scotland Programme, which permitted enabling and administrative costs of £100,000 or 20% of the grant award, whichever was the higher amount, to assist in the delivery of the programme;
- (4) of the introduction of PAS 2035, which was a specification for the energy retrofit of domestic buildings, to be used in conjunction with PAS 2030:2019, which sets out the standards required for installing energy efficient measures; and
- (5) of the Energy Company Obligation funding and the Council's Statement of Intent.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) agreed to accept the award of £6,212,342 of Energy Efficient Scotland funding; and
- (b) noted that
  - (i) the PAS 2035/2030:2019 specification had introduced a number of new roles within the delivery of the Area Based Schemes programme, with the aim of underpinning the quality of installations; and
  - (ii) the planned programme of energy efficiency works would be reported to the Neighbourhoods, Housing and Public Realm City Policy Committee on 16th November 2021.