

## **Committee's annual assessment noted.**

**9** There was submitted and noted a report by Councillor Martha Wardrop, Chair of this committee regarding an annual assessment of the work of the committee and the former Neighbourhoods, Housing and Public Realm City Policy Committee, advising that

- (1) the Council's Standing Order No 32 (8) required that an annual assessment of the work of each committee should be carried out to assess the effectiveness of the working of the committee and to assess any training needs of members and officers and the effectiveness of the implementation of agreed policies;
- (2) the former Neighbourhoods, Housing and Public Realm City Policy Committee had been established at a meeting of the Council on 14th September 2017 (Print 3, page 288) with the Terms of Reference, as detailed in the report;
- (3) the former Neighbourhoods, Housing and Public Realm City Policy Committee on 16th August 2022 (Print 2, page 291) had agreed a workplan for the committee and 17 items, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report had been considered between August to December 2022;
- (4) this committee had been established at a meeting of the Council on 8th December 2022 (Print 5, page 479) with the Terms of Reference, as detailed in the report;
- (5) this committee on 24th January 2023 (Print 5, page 565) had approved the workplan for January to June 2023 and on 15th August 2023 (Print 3, page 47) had approved the workplan for August to December 2023 which had considered 33 items in total between January to October 2023, as detailed in an Appendix to the report;
- (6) an Empty Homes Workshop had been held on 9th November 2023 which had included input from a number of stakeholders including the Scottish Empty Homes Partnership; and
- (7) mandatory and non-mandatory training sessions were ongoing for elected members with members being encouraged to raise any areas of training or development that would assist them in their roles on the committee.