



Glasgow City Council

**Economy, Housing, Transport and
Regeneration City Policy Committee**

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**Glasgow City Council and the Wheatley Housing Group
Strategic Agreement**

Purpose of Report:

To report on the development of a new draft Strategic Agreement between Glasgow City Council and Wheatley Housing Group.

Recommendations:

The Committee is asked to:

1. Note the updated Strategic Agreement with Wheatley Housing Group.
2. Note that the Strategic Agreement will be presented to the City Administration Committee for approval.

Ward No(s):

Citywide:

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Local member(s):

Advised: Yes

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Consulted: Yes

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1. Background

- 1.1 Glasgow City Council and Wheatley Housing Group have a long-standing strategic relationship, reflecting Wheatley's role as the largest provider of social rented housing in Glasgow and a key partner in the delivery of housing, regeneration, community and wider city outcomes.
- 1.2 The current Strategic Agreement was approved by the City Administration Committee at its meeting on [1 June 2023](#) and provided a framework for joint working between the Council and Wheatley.
- 1.3 Since its approval, the wider housing and public service context has continued to develop, including sustained pressures on housing supply, homelessness, regeneration, neighbourhood management, climate resilience and support for citizens experiencing poverty and inequality.
- 1.4 The draft Strategic Agreement attached as an Appendix to this report refreshes the partnership framework between the Council and Wheatley. It sets out shared priorities and a collaborative approach to delivering better outcomes for Glasgow's citizens and communities, recognising that many of the city's most significant housing, regeneration and social challenges require coordinated action across organisational boundaries.

2 Status of the Agreement

- 2.1 The Strategic Agreement is a framework document setting out the areas where the Council and Wheatley will work together to support Glasgow's Housing Strategy and wider city objectives. It is not, in itself, a legally binding agreement. Where specific projects, funding arrangements, land transactions, contractual commitments or data-sharing arrangements are required, these will continue to be subject to separate approval, governance and legal processes as appropriate.

3 Key Elements of the Strategic Agreement

- 3.1 The Strategic Agreement is structured around shared priorities where joint working between the Council and Wheatley can deliver better outcomes for Glasgow. These include:-
 - housing supply and regeneration;
 - neighbourhoods; homelessness, health and social care;
 - tackling poverty and inequality and increasing opportunity for all;
 - City Building Glasgow;
 - climate emergency and sustainability; and
 - city strategic resilience.
- 3.2 A central focus of the Strategic Agreement is the acceleration of high-quality, housing-led regeneration across Glasgow. This includes maintaining a shared ten-year development pipeline, increasing the supply of affordable homes, supporting mixed-tenure regeneration where appropriate, bringing vacant and derelict land back into productive use, and progressing priority areas including

Wyndford, Red Road/Barmulloch, Sighthill, Milton, Drumchapel, and the city centre.

- 3.3 The Agreement also reflects the importance of a housing-led response to homelessness. Wheatley will continue to play a significant role in providing settled housing options for homeless households, including through new build development, acquisition, refurbishment of empty homes, conversion of temporary accommodation into permanent tenancies, and continued support for Housing First and households with complex needs.
- 3.4 The Strategic Agreement is intended to recognise the wider role of housing in supporting health, independent living and social care outcomes, including adaptations, bespoke housing solutions and support for people to move from hospital or institutional settings into appropriate community-based accommodation.
- 3.5 The Strategic Agreement further supports joint working to improve neighbourhoods, tackle persistent environmental issues, strengthen community cohesion, support New Scots and inclusive communities, reduce poverty and inequality, improve employment and training pathways, and maximise the contribution of City Building Glasgow and RSBi to housing delivery, apprenticeships, supported employment and wider social value.

4 Governance and Monitoring

- 4.1 Delivery of the Strategic Agreement will be monitored through the Senior Officers Group overseen by the Chief Executives of Glasgow City Council and Wheatley. This will support strategic oversight, alignment of priorities, identification of barriers to delivery and escalation of issues where required.
- 4.2 Progress will be reported annually through the appropriate Council committee arrangements, the Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership Integration Joint Board where relevant, and the Wheatley Board.
- 4.3 The Strategic Agreement will be reviewed every five years in alignment with Glasgow's Housing Strategy.

5 Policy and Resource Implications

Resource Implications:

<i>Financial:</i>	There are no direct financial implications arising from the report.
<i>Legal:</i>	There are no direct legal implications arising from the report.
<i>Personnel:</i>	There are no direct personnel implications arising from the report.
<i>Procurement:</i>	There are no direct procurement implications arising from the report.

Council Strategic Plan:

The measures outlined in the report will contribute towards the following Grand Challenges (GC) and Missions

Grand Challenge 1 – Reduce poverty and inequality in our communities:

Mission 1 – End child poverty in our city using early intervention to support families.

Mission 3 – Improve the health and wellbeing of our local communities.

Grand Challenge 2 – Increase opportunity and prosperity for all our citizens:

Mission 1 – Support Glasgow residents into sustainable and fair work.

Mission 2 – Support the growth of an innovative, resilient and net zero carbon economy.

Grand Challenge 3 – Fight the climate emergency in a just transition to a net zero Glasgow:

Mission 2 – Become a net zero carbon city by 2030.

Grand Challenge 4 – Enable staff to deliver essential services in a sustainable, innovative and efficient way for our communities:

Mission 1 – Create safe, clean and thriving neighbourhoods.

Equality and Socio-Economic Impacts:

Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2025-29? Please specify.

Glasgow's Local Housing Strategy is subject to an Equalities Impact Assessment and this Strategic Agreement outlines the framework which will assist in its delivery.

What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report?

There are no potential equality impacts arising from this report.

Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio-economic disadvantage.

Key actions from the Strategic Agreement will support efforts to address socio-economic disadvantage through partnership activity focused on the housing emergency, increasing the supply of affordable homes, supporting homelessness prevention and settled housing options, improving neighbourhoods, and tackling poverty and inequality within Glasgow's communities.

Climate Impacts:

Does the proposal support any Climate Plan actions? Please specify:

Yes. The Strategic Agreement supports joint activity on climate emergency and sustainability, including energy-efficient housing, sustainable regeneration and climate-resilient neighbourhoods.

What are the potential climate impacts as a result of this proposal?

Positive climate impacts may arise from future partnership activity on sustainable housing, regeneration and neighbourhood improvement. Specific projects will be assessed through relevant approval processes.

Will the proposal contribute to Glasgow's net zero carbon target?

Yes. The Strategic Agreement provides a framework for joint working which can support the city's net zero carbon target, particularly through more sustainable housing and regeneration activity.

Privacy and Data Protection Impacts:

Are there any potential data protection impacts as a result of this report
Y/N

No privacy or data protection impact identified from the Strategic Agreement. The impact of any sharing of data or information due to actions flowing from the Strategic Agreement will be covered by specific arrangements.

If Yes, please confirm that a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) has been carried out

6 Recommendations

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