

Homelessness Services - Temporary homelessness accommodation charges for 2022/23 approved.

5 Councillor Hunter, City Convener for Health and Social Care Integration, presented a report regarding the proposed charges for temporary homelessness accommodation for 2022/23, advising

- (1) of the background to the current policy on homelessness accommodation charges;
- (2) that there had been an increase in the number of temporary furnished flats available in the city and it was estimated the number of income generating units in 2022/23 over which to spread costs was estimated to be 1,690;
- (3) that the cost of the provision of the pool of temporary furnished flats in 2022/23 to be met by rental income was £14m and it was proposed that the average rent charge be £159.83, an increase of £3.90 (2.5%) on 2021/22; and
- (4) of the proposed separate accommodation charges for the Chara Centre, Elder Street, James McLean, Rodney Street, Maxwell Drive and Portman Street hostels.

After consideration, the committee approved

- (a) the setting of an average weekly charge in 2022/23 for temporary furnished accommodation of £159.83, an increase of 2.5%;
- (b) the setting of separate weekly charges in 2022/23 of £364.64 per week for the Chara Centre, Elder Street, James McLean, Rodney Street, Maxwell Drive and Portman Street hostels, an increase of 2.5%; and
- (c) the new charges taking effect from 4th April 2022.