

a) Original Agenda for 24th March meeting

1. 1. Future funding arrangements

1. 2. Former Ring Fenced Grant and the implications for Glasgow City Council

1. 3. The Alliance to End Homelessness progress update

b) An e-mail from the Minister for Local Government, Housing and Planning Private Office to Councillor Hunter about the agenda for the meeting on 24th March

From: *redacted* On Behalf Of MinisterL.GHP@gov.scot
Sent: 23 March 2020 13:47
To: Hunter, Mhairi (Councillor) <Mhairi.Hunter@glasgow.gov.uk>
Cc: MinisterL.GHP@gov.scot; *redacted*; *redacted*
Subject: RE: Meeting Cllr Hunter 24 March

Hi Mhairi

Thanks for your email - I've spoken to the Minister and he thinks it would still be helpful for the conference call to go ahead as it would be useful to find out from your perspective how Glasgow is responding to the Covid 19 pandemic. He is aware of work happening in this area as officials have updated him, but it would be useful to talk this through further.

The Minister appreciates that we are all working hard to protect people during this time, but a call would be useful as Glasgow is such an important part of local government's response to homelessness.

We can send on the dial in details if you can confirm participation, please.

Kind regards

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c) Scottish Government officials notes of the meeting. These notes were handwritten at the time and have been transcribed electronically using the notes taken on the 24th March.

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Meeting between Minister for Local Government, Housing and Planning and Councillor Hunter,
Glasgow City HSCP
24 March 2020

Attendees:

Kevin Stewart, Minister for Local Government, Housing and Planning (KS)
Mhairi Hunter, Councillor and Convenor of GCHSCP (MH)

Observers:

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Note:

Meeting's agenda was based on the response to the Covid 19 crisis.

MH advised KS that Glasgow was not turning homeless people away. It had increased the capacity of temporary accommodation, using B&Bs, hotels. City Building were bringing voids back for use but construction would be coming to an end because of Covid. She expressed uncertainty about what the next week would bring around staffing and building up capacity.

MH said the main concern was around NRPF. It was unclear how many people in the city were NRPF and how many would come forward. SRC estimated 60 but the numbers could be more than that. She said they would need to keep this under discussion and balance those with somewhere to go and those who want accommodated. KS said there was a need to be flexible around NRPF as they were under the radar but it was key to get folk off the streets. Preferably this would be in TFFs rather than hotels. MH said that they had to be realistic about TFFs and the ability to set them up and the calls for them.

Officials indicated that they had been told that there were only 2 rough sleepers who were NRPF at this point.

MH said that no-one knows what will happen over the next few weeks but she was confident that they were getting to everyone they needed to and were managing.

KS asked officials to continue to liaise with GCHSCP and for them to let us know what needed done.

Yours sincerely

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