

RRTP Sub-group meeting, 21 May

- Meeting focused on the following items:
 - *Scottish Government RRTP Update:*
 - Completed the first phase of reviewing RRTPs and provided written feedback to all 32 local authorities by end of March
 - A face to face/telecom meetings to discuss the feedback further was offered to all local authorities, with 30 local authorities taking up the offer. These will be completed by early June. They have been well received and local authorities have said they are helpful.
 - Based on the feedback, some local authorities have been continuing to develop 2nd iterations of their RRTPs or responding to Scottish Government feedback
 - Discussions with SHR around alignment of their engagement and RRTPs
 - *RRTP Funding Support*
 - The Scottish Government officials continue to develop an approach with LG Finance and COSLA to release £15m RRTP funding with a number of options for funding allocation and distribution being discussed
 - Once agreed, the options will be considered by the COSLA Settlement and Distribution Group in mid-June with a view to making recommendations to Council Leaders' meeting on 28 June to potentially approve the preferred option
 - Recognition that a traditional formula-based funding distribution not reflecting quality of the RRTPs and would be a missed opportunity to support a different approach determined by need and impact.
 - Local authorities should keep their Housing Conveners and Directors of Finance briefed about the RRTP progress
 - *Roundtable Updates*
 - Local authorities starting to implement their RRTPs with own resources or when cost-neutral approach can be utilised
 - RRTP work across local authorities is already progressing with Housing Options Hubs being able to take a lead role in this process
 - Housing Options Toolkit in progress
 - Importance of collaboration between local authorities, third sector organisations, RSLs and other bodies within the sector was highlighted, with some examples of this already happening
 - Reiterated that rapid rehousing is about transformational change
 - *RRTP Monitoring*
 - A basket of existing and currently non-existing housing and health indicators to measure and evaluate the success of RRTPs developed in two papers
 - Further work to be done on this for the next RRTP sub-group meeting
 - Potential learning from HF Pathfinder monitoring
 - *RRTP Good Practice Development*
 - An RRTP Good Practice guide of 'What Good Looks Like' for local authorities to be developed by Scottish Government officials by the next sub-group meeting

- A set of questions that local authorities could refer to at HO Hub meetings to be developed to ensure that local authorities are delivering transformational change

Next steps

- Next RRTP sub-group meeting to be held on 20 August [Note: next HPSG meeting to be held on 12 September]
- It is expected that by then the following will be undertaken:
 - A second phase of reviewing RRTPs following written and oral feedbacks will be completed
 - Agree approach to release the £15m RRTP funding by end of June
 - Continue developing shared position with SHR regarding rapid rehousing and regulation
 - Work on RRTP monitoring will have progressed with housing and health indicators being developed
 - An RRTP 'What Good Looks Like' document for local authorities will be developed
 - A set of questions local authorities could refer to at HO Hub meetings will be developed