



Meeting	Glasgow Tenant-Led Housing Commission (Private Rented Sector)		
Date	Tuesday 22nd September 2021		
Time	6.00pm		
Venue	Virtual via Microsoft TEAMS		
Present			
Victoria Hyde	Jean Charsley	Elaine Gallagher	Hanne Thijs
Emma McShane	David Gunn	Grace McIntyre	Kirsty Purves
Samuel Thomas	Danny Pilkington	Dr. Jennifer Harris	Joey Lawrie
Shelter	Living Rent	UK Collaborative Centre	Homes for Good
		for Housing Evidence	
Marjorie Cuthbert	Benn Rapson	Stephen Connor	
Glasgow Centre for	Strathclyde University	TIS	
Inclusive Living	Union		
<b>Apologies</b>			
Colm Birmingham	Beatrice Onashile	Daniel McCallum	

### **Introductions**

**1.** Introductions were noted highlighting individuals and organisations experience of living and working within Glasgow's private rented sector.

# **Tenants Information Service (TIS)**

**2.** The commission noted a presentation defining the Tenants Information Service (TIS) as an organisation.

### **Engage - Influence - Change**

**3.** The commission noted a presentation outlining the TIS Engage Influence Change (EIC) project which concentrates on providing opportunities for individuals across Glasgow to actively participate and engage within their local communities, and empower people to identify and deliver solutions that meet their needs.

Over the course of two and a half years, the EIC Project will make a positive impact within Glasgow by increasing opportunities to influence and shape housing and wider community services, and will target three specific groups, young people, private rented sector tenants and owners, social rented sector tenants.

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- **4.** The commission noted a presentation outlining the background, aims and objectives of the Glasgow Tenant-Led Housing Commission. It was noted that the commission will aim:
- i. To investigate the nature and extent of private rented sector housing across the Glasgow City Council area and how it functions to meet different housing needs and demand;
- **ii.** To agree an inclusive methodology for collating essential data and information regarding private rented housing.
- **iii.** To engage with key stakeholder groups, organisations, community groups and the public, through a comprehensive 'Evidence Gathering' approach;
- **iv.** To establish a robust and credible evidence monitoring and evaluation framework for private rented sector housing across Glasgow which addresses issues of supply of housing options, rents and affordability; and
- v. To produce a report and recommendations for reforms, including developments and improvement that address issues of housing supply options, rents and affordability, which will inform Glasgow's Housing Strategy.

## Additional subjects for consideration were noted as the following:

- Addressing property conditions and disrepair in the private rented sector
- Understanding how the private rented sector interacts with social housing
- Discrimination and barriers within private rented sector housing
- Understanding private landlord and letting agent standards and addressing poor performance
- The role of licensing
- The process of evictions and how we mitigate against unlawful evictions.
- Tenant Participation and representation within the private rented sector.

It was agreed that the commission, when required, will submit preliminary findings to shape and influence Glasgow's Housing Strategy.





### **Role of the Co-Chairpersons**

**5.** The outline position, roles and responsibilities of the co-chairpersons were discussed with an agreement to nominate and appoint tenant representatives to position at the following meeting.

Tenant representatives were reassured that full training and continuous support would be provided and encouraged to consider positions.

## **Future Priorities**

**6.** It was agreed that a draft action plan and project timeline would be developed to structure and focus future meetings.

It was agreed that a formal 'code of conduct' would be developed to nurture and support governance.

It was agreed that commission meetings would be scheduled for the last Wednesday of each month, with the capacity to increase frequency when required.

### **AOCB**

**7.** There was no other competent business.

### **DONM**

**8.** The date/time of the next meeting will be Wednesday 27th October 2021 at 6.00pm via Microsoft TEAMS.