

# HEATING AND HOUSING HUB UPDATE 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2021

### **Purpose of Report:**

To update Sustainable Glasgow Board on progress and actions associated with the Heating & Housing Hub.

It is recommended that the Sustainable Glasgow Board

• note the content of the report.

# 1. Introduction

The Hub had its second meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021, 12:00 – 13:00

## 2. Membership and Governance

The interim Chair noted that a full time chair is still being sought for this Hub.

The Members discussed the potential for other organisations to link to our agenda. It was agreed that the Housing Innovation Construction Centre and BRE should be asked to take our minutes for their interest and to attend as required.

### 3. Actions

- 3.1 Clyde Gateway will share information on the work that it is leading on with the British Geological Society on heat from expired mines and with Scottish Water on district heating. The meeting considered Geothermal's potential as future joint project for the Hub. I Manson noted the importance of learning form projects that did not proceed such as the SHARK project. The meeting will receive further information on the links with the Geothermal and Hot Scot project, which members confirmed were linked. We highlighted that the Strength & Places funding will deliver £9m of investment over the coming years for boreholes to provide data for geothermal projects.
- 3.2 Wheatley Group highlighted their current initiatives. They agreed to furnish information on the EESH conditions for the next meeting.
- 3.3 The meeting has developed a list of potential funders and grant funding. These opportunities were discussed and the impact of the Scottish Government budget was discussed. A subsequent briefing note on the impact of the budget on housing and sustainability has been produced by the HUB and circulated.
- 3.4 The meeting emphasised the importance of communication between the Hubs. A meeting of Chairs is to be arranged and will have a formalised agenda.
- 3.5 The meeting noted that there are several consultations that have just been published for response. Links will be sent round partners to respond individually as well as a collectively.
- 3.6 The partners discussed current projects and agreed to review that list of projects as a standing item.

- 3.7 The meeting noted that LCITP project outcomes were not well documented anywhere and this should be analysed and reported so that future projects can learn what barriers are encountered and successes achieved.
- 3.8 Members stressed the importance of a joint approach to the LHEES strategy. The document will not go to final consultation until mid-2021, and it is hoped that with feedback from Hub, the document can be developed further before consultation period.
- 3.9 The meeting agreed to collate a report on current relevant initiatives currently being undertaken by the other Registered Social Landlords in the city. An initial report has been collated and will be an agenda item for the next meeting.
- 3.10 The meeting discussed CNCA. The meeting noted that there was a need for embedded carbon and cost benefit analysis in project appraisals.
- 3.11 The meeting asked that the issue of skills development be raised at Board level.
- 3.12 The meeting noted the work at the BRE site at Ravenscraig and potential to look at building techniques for future Hub meeting. We will contrast this with the near zero carbon standard house types being developed by some contractor builders. A local builder will be invited to a future meeting to discuss.