

Fourteenth Meeting of the Poverty and Inequality Commission

Thursday 30 May 2019 10:30am – 1:30pm COSLA, Edinburgh

Commission Attendees

Douglas Hamilton, Chair Kaliani Lyle, Deputy Chair Katie Schmuecker David Eiser Sally Witcher Caroline Kennedy

Apologies

Hugh Foy Bill Scott

Secretariat Attendees

Katherine Hudson, Secretariat Manager Katherine Myant, Analytical Manager Michele Barr, Secretariat/Administrator Mary Njoki, Postgraduate Intern

Contributors (for item 2) Lindsay Judge, Resolution Foundation Professor Ken Gibb, Glasgow University

1. Welcome and apologies

Douglas opened the meeting and introduced the Commissioners to Lindsay Judge from the Resolution Foundation and Professor Kenneth Gibb, Glasgow University. Apologies were given for Hugh Foy and Bill Scott.

2. Advocacy

Housing wealth inequality – presentation from Resolution Foundation & Glasgow University

Lindsay Judge, Resolution Foundation and Professor Ken Gibb, Glasgow University presented their findings on Housing wealth inequality in Scotland. The Commission had the opportunity to ask questions about the findings and the recommendations of the paper. The literature review and data analysis summary reports will be brought together in a summary review to be published before the end of July.

Ken Gibb will present the findings of this research at the Commission's annual public meeting on the 20 June.

Transport – report from the Transport working group

Kaliani Lyle, Chair and Caroline Kennedy, Commissioner presented the draft report of the Transport Working Group. The report sets out a set of principles for a transport system that addresses poverty and has a number of recommendations about actions that need to be taken in order to deliver the principles. The Commissioners discussed the report and recommendations. The report will be finalised by the working group, taking account of the comments from the Commission, and published on 20 June the same day as the Commission's annual public meeting.

3. Other Business

Legacy paper for statutory Commission

Douglas Hamilton thanked the Commissioners for their input and time they had committed into the work of the Commission over the past two years. Douglas presented the legacy paper which set out the key achievements and will provide thoughts and learning for the incoming statutory Commission. The Commissioners provided their thoughts and additional material they thought should be included in the paper. The legacy paper will be passed on to Bill Scott, new chair of the Commission, and to the new Commissioners.

Update paper

Douglas Hamilton highlighted the update paper which covered updates on other aspects of the Commission's work and meetings/events attended by Commissioners.