

Meeting of the Addressing low income policy circle

Thursday 29 October 2020

10:00 – 12:00

Virtual Meeting by Zoom video communications

Attendees

Bill Scott, Chair, Poverty and Inequality Commission
Professor Morag Treanor, Poverty and Inequality Commission
Linda Bamford, Poverty and Inequality Commission
Shona Stephen, Poverty and Inequality Commission
Katie Schmuecker, Poverty and Inequality Commission
Douglas White, Poverty and Inequality Commission
Emma Ritch, Executive Director, Engender
Satwat Rehman, Director, One Parent Families Scotland
Professor Jennifer Davidson, Institute for Inspiring Children's Futures, and Co-chair, Scottish Leaders Forum Child Poverty Group
Anna Ritchie Allan, Executive Director, Close the Gap
Robert McGregor, COSLA
Stephen Brooks, West Dunbartonshire Council
Kerry McKenzie, Public Health Scotland
Dawn Abell, Social Security Policy, Scottish Government
Ann McKenzie, Social Justice Strategy Unit, Scottish Government
Katherine Hudson, Secretariat Manager, Poverty and Inequality Commission
Katherine Myant, Analytical Manager, Poverty and Inequality Commission
Michele Barr, Secretariat/Administrator, Poverty and Inequality Commission

Apologies

Alex Cobham, Poverty and Inequality Commission
Yvonne Blake, Poverty and Inequality Commission

1. Welcome, introductions and apologies

Bill Scott welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were given for Alex Cobham and Yvonne Blake.

2. Proposals for the Social Renewal Advisory Board

Katherine Hudson introduced the paper which set out the ideas for discussion for the policy circle's report to the Social Renewal Advisory Board. Katherine Myant provided an update to the circle on the paper on the deliberative workshops and evidence session which were held by experts by experience. As part of its work developing recommendations for the Social Renewal Advisory Board, the Addressing Low Income Policy Circle wanted to draw on the insight and expertise of experts by experience, to inform the final policy circle report.

The circle discussed the proposals and issues set out in the paper, and the insights and ideas from experts by experience. It agreed the proposals it wanted to put forward to the Social Renewal Advisory Board and provided amendments to the paper to the secretariat. The secretariat will circulate the paper for final comments. The final paper will be signed off by the circle Chair and submitted to the Social Renewal Advisory board by Friday 6 November.