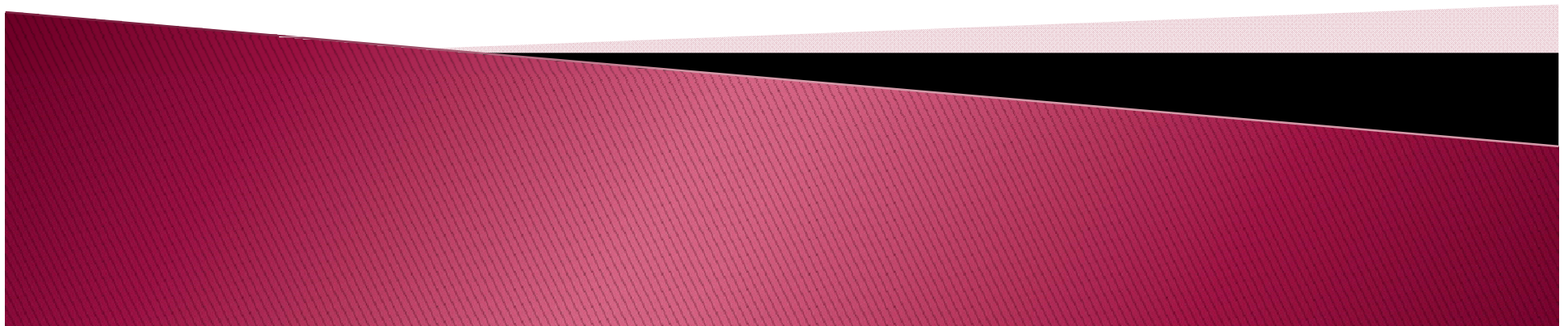


APSE ROAD AND STREET LIGHTING GROUP

31st August 2012



National Issues In Scotland

- ▶ Scottish Parliament Local Government and Regeneration Committee three short inquiries:
 - Partnership/Outcomes (Reported)
 - Benchmarking and Performance Measurement (Sept 2012)
 - Developing New Ways of Delivering Services (?)

APSE full response to Local Government and Regeneration Committee

Consultation on Proposed Community Empowerment and Renewal Bill

Three key issues:

- ▶ Strengthening community participation
- ▶ Unlocking enterprising community development
- ▶ Renewing our communities

Strengthening Community Participation

- ▶ Community planning
- ▶ Role of community councils
- ▶ Role of third sector
- ▶ Community engagement plan
- ▶ Community service delivery
- ▶ Participatory budgeting

Unlocking Enterprising Community Development

- ▶ Community Right to Buy
- ▶ Transfer of Assets
- ▶ Common Good Funds

Renewing our Communities

- ▶ Transfer of unused public sector assets
- ▶ Enforced sales of assets

- ▶ Consultation consists of 48 questions
- ▶ Responses September 2012
- ▶ Report on Consultation October 2012
- ▶ Draft Bill Spring 2013
- ▶ Full APSE response.....focus on a couple of key issues including: Community Service Delivery

APSE Ensuring Council Model – An Alternative Vision for Local Govt.

- ▶ APSE “Ensuring Council” model issued
- ▶ Positive alternative for a local government model of the future
- ▶ Promotes an approach which is contrary to Enabling/Commissioning model
- ▶ APSE’s contribution to assist councils in talking budget reductions

- ▶ Research conducted by De Montfort University
- ▶ Engaged members/officers in research
- ▶ Report envisages wider role for councils/services
- ▶ Report promotes key principles:
 - Democratic Accountability
 - Stewardship
 - Public Value
 - Social Justice
 - Civil Entrepreneurship

- ▶ Challenges hollowing out councils/services
- ▶ Need to retain core capability to provide services
- ▶ Avoid “market place” solutions

Briefings

- ▶ Final Potholes review of HMEP 12/24
- ▶ How local authorities can reduce emissions 12/28
- ▶ Accounts Commission Report “Using Cost Information to Improve Performance – Are you Getting it Right?” 12/26
- ▶ Accounts Commission overview report of local government for local government 12/22

Publications

- ▶ The Ensuring Council: An Alternative Vision for the Future of Local Government – June 2012
- ▶ The Transition to a Green Economy – April 2012
- ▶ Future K.T.P. Programme – “Councils Role in Tackling Youth Unemployment”

Training Events

- ▶ Project Management on Local Govt – Edinburgh – 07/08/2012
- ▶ Handling Difficult Conversations – Edinburgh – 08/08/2012
- ▶ Managing Cemeteries and Crematoria – Glasgow – 23/08/2012
- ▶ Writing, Developing and Delivering Service Level Agreements – North Lanarkshire 23/08/2012
- ▶ Tools For Efficiencies and Savings in Street Cleansing – Glasgow 30/08/2012

Seminars / Conferences

- ▶ APSE Annual Seminar 2012

Thriving Frontline Services; Councils,
Communities and Citizens: Working Together
for Better Neighbourhoods

12–13 September 2012

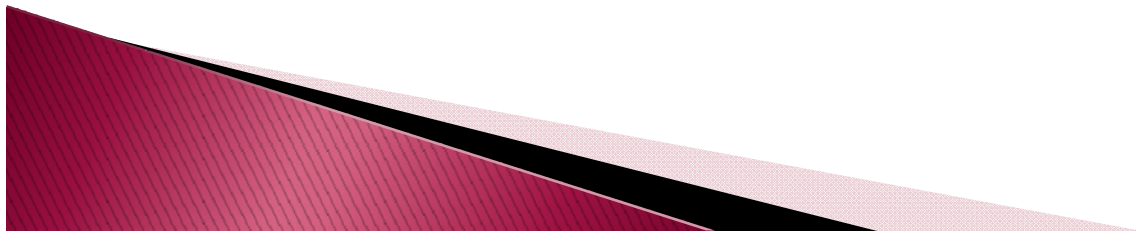
Glasgow Royal Concert Hall



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Partnership Working

- ▶ APSE working with Alarm Annual Local Authority Road Maintenance Survey
- ▶ Include Scottish L. as in 2013.
- ▶ Not happened in Scotland Since 2004
- ▶ Value in participating?



Thank you for listening

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