

## Resident Questions for Housing Area Panel

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| <b>Department</b>  | Housing                                     |
| <b>Date question raised</b>  | 28-03-2022                                  |
| <b>Date of Area Panel</b>  | 17-03-2022                                  |
| <b>Area in city</b>  | Central                                     |
| <b>Star rating applied by residents</b>  | 3   |
| <b>Deadline for officer response</b>   | 22-04-2022, 12pm                            |
| <b>Name of officer responding</b>  | Geof Gage                                   |
| <b>Department / team</b>   | Head of Housing Investment & Asset Strategy |
| <b>Title of question:</b> Insulation of council properties   |   |
| <b>Issue raised by residents:</b>  |   |
| <p>Insulation of council properties needs to be a priority, with clear plans about how this will be accomplished and when.</p>   |   |
| <b>Background:</b>   |   |
| <p>Insulation is a priority for Central residents and was raised in the budget discussion with Cllrs Gibson &amp; Hughes (5/1/22). This has now become even more urgent, with the steep rise in fuel prices.</p>   |   |
| <b>Action requested by residents:</b>  |   |
| <p>A report was requested on the Council's plans for insulation and progress with this project.</p>  |   |
| <b>Officer Response:</b>   |   |
| <p>Thank you for your question.</p> <p>We have instigated a working group to investigate and report on the issues relating to insulation to our housing stock.</p> <p>We have programmes of major capital works and planned works that will address as part of the work insulation to the main blocks and in some cases isolated 'street' properties.</p> <p>The working group has been established to give an overview of the situation across the City with an emphasis on individual properties but to consider works already completed and consider future requirements.</p> |   |

The intention will be that we will have an indication of the requirements that we may need to consider for future programmes of works.

The first meeting of the working group was in March 2022, and we are gathering further information and details to allow us to report our findings to members and to include any recommendations in our Asset Strategy.

We do not expect to conclude our findings until December 2022.

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**Specific Action:**

*No follow up required*

**Timeline:**

**Start date:** 11.04.2022

**End date:** 20.04.2022