



HEAT IN BUILDINGS BILL CONSULTATION

Report by Chief Executive

PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of the Report is to seek approval for the response to the Scottish Government's Consultation on a Heat in Buildings Bill.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Scottish Government is consulting on proposals for a Heat in Buildings Bill. The proposals include making new laws around the heating systems that can be used in buildings. The introduction of a new law requiring homeowners and private landlords to meet a Minimum Energy Efficiency Standard is also proposed.
- 2.2 A response to the consultation has been drafted and is appended to the Report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 **It is recommended that the Comhairle approve the response to the Consultation.**

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Appendix: Draft Response to the Consultation on proposals for a Heat in Building Bills

IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The following implications are applicable in terms of the Report.

Resource Implications	Implications/None
Financial	None
Legal	None
Staffing	None
Assets and Property	None
Strategic Implications	Implications/None
Risk	There is the risk that the proposals within the consultation will lead to negative impacts for those living in na h-Eileanan Siar. These are addressed in the draft response.
Equalities	There is the potential for negative impacts on vulnerable groups based on the proposals within the consultation. These are addressed in the draft response.
Corporate Strategy	'Reduction in our carbon footprint and development of an island route map to Net Zero' is a strategic outcome of the Corporate Strategy 2022-2027.
Environmental Impact	The proposals for the Heat in Buildings Bill Consultation aim to reduce environmental impact through reducing greenhouse gas emissions associated with heating buildings.
Consultation	The report seeks approval for the draft response to the Heat in Buildings Bill consultation, appended to the report.