



Midlothian Council
28th June 2022

Cost of Living Crisis Task Force

Report by Dr Grace Vickers Chief Executive

Report for Decision

Recommendations

Midlothian Council is recommended to:

- (i) Note the report, Appendix 1, which was submitted to the Midlothian Community Planning Partnership Board on 26 May 2022.
- (ii) To establish a Cost of Living Task Force as outlined in Appendix 2

Purpose of Report/Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to outline the Cost of Living Crisis facing our communities and the urgent requirement to form a Task Force.

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APPENDIX A – Additional Report Implications

A.1 Key Priorities within the Single Midlothian Plan

The proposed changes support the priorities of the SMP to reduce inequalities

A.2 Key Drivers for Change

Key drivers addressed in this report:

- Holistic Working
- Hub and Spoke
- Modern
- Sustainable
- Transformational
- Preventative
- Asset-based
- Continuous Improvement
- One size fits one
- None of the above

A.3 Key Delivery Streams

Key delivery streams addressed in this report:

- One Council Working with you, for you
- Preventative and Sustainable
- Efficient and Modern
- Innovative and Ambitious

A.4 Delivering Best Value

The Cost of Living task Force will assist in focusing targeted intervention which makes a difference to our communities most in need

A.5 Involving Communities and Other Stakeholders

The report has been endorsed by the Community Planning Partnership Board.

A.6 Impact on Performance and Outcomes

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A.7 Adopting a Preventative Approach

The proposal will help prevent more families falling into poverty.

A.8 Supporting Sustainable Development

The proposed approach may have the potential to prevent more families falling into poverty.