Information required by the Council's Publication Scheme

The Council's publication scheme and associated guide to information require certain information to be made available to the public through the Council's website.

In most cases we have linked directly to existing information on our website, but, in some cases, the information was not readily available on our website. This document contains the information not otherwise published on the Council's website.

The information provided below follows the layout and section headings from the Publication Scheme and Guide to Information.

CLASS 1: ABOUT GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL

Constitution	
Legal framework for the authority, including constitution, articles of association or charter.	Providing information about the make-up of the council and its committees including procedural documents.

Glasgow City Council is a local authority incorporated in terms of section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994. This Act gave effect to local government reorganisation in 1996 when the City Council was created, replacing the former City of Glasgow District Council and (so far as it operated within the city boundaries) the Strathclyde Regional Council.

The Council's internal operations and functions are laid down in the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, principally by the 1994 Act and the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003. The Council has a scheme of delegated functions which sets out the remits and delegated authority of the Council's committees and sub-committees and the powers delegated to officers of the Council. Any function not expressly delegated is exercisable only by the full Council.

The Council's political make-up is described on the website.

The Council's statutory duties are listed in the 1994 Act, but the actual powers and duties are contained in the many different pieces of legislation relating to those specific functions. The main areas where the Council is designated as the relevant local authority are as follows:

- Education authority
- Social work authority
- Local planning authority
- Roads authority
- Parks authority
- Libraries authority
- Waste collection and waste disposal authority
- Council tax levying and collecting authority
- Cemeteries and crematoria authority
- Strategic housing authority
- Weights and measures authority
- Category 1 responder for civil contingencies.

This is not a complete list but covers the main functions of the Council.

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External relations	
Strategic agreements with other bodies.	Governance Arrangements (How the council works with, and scrutinises, its partner organisations.) Joint Boards Joint working DWP NHS

The Council has established a series of arms-length external organisations, or ALEOs. A list of the ALEOs and links to their own websites can be found <u>here</u>, and details of how information is exchanged between them and the Council found <u>here</u>.

The Council has entered into service agreements with each of the ALEOs. In terms of these agreements, the ALEO performs a particular service on behalf of the Council, but must report on its performance in doing so to the Council – at officer level, through reporting to performance boards, and at elected member level through reporting to the Council. Details of the governance arrangements can be found <u>here</u>.

The Council is a member of the following joint boards set up in terms of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973:

• Glasgow and Clyde Valley Joint Structure Plan board

The Council was formerly a member of joint boards covering fire and rescue and policing. Reforms to the police and fire and rescue services have resulted in these boards being abolished.

The Council is a member of Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT). Details of SPT can be found <u>here</u>. SPT's areas of activity are around transport, particularly public transport.

The Council is a member of Glasgow Community Justice Authority (CJA), details of which can be found <u>here</u>. The CJA is involved in the multi-agency management of offenders and in reducing offending.

The Council has very close working with the constituent parts of the NHS operating in Glasgow. At a strategic level the agreements with the NHS are generally entered into with NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, which is the health board in whose area Glasgow is located. Information sharing arrangements, endorsed by the UK Information Commissioner, have been entered into with the Board to support joint working. These arrangements are presently being updated (May 2013) and will be added to the Council's privacy statement in due course.

We work closely with many other public bodies including the DWP, Glasgow Housing Association and other registered social landlords operating in the city.

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CLASS 2: HOW WE DELIVER OUR FUNCTIONS AND SERVICES Class description: Information about our work, our strategy and policies for delivering functions and services and information for our service users.		
The information we publish under this class	Description	
Functions		
Strategies, policies and internal staff procedures for performing statutory functions		
Reports of the authority's exercise of it statutory functions.		

The Council exists because it has been established as a legal entity by local government legislation, and it exists to carry out the statutory functions described above under "Constitution."

In one sense, therefore, everything the Council does is either directly performing a statutory function, or else is supporting or incidental to the carrying out of such a function. All the Council's approved strategy documents must therefore be read as being a strategy, policy etc. for the carrying out of a statutory function, and all the performance reports on the Council's performance are on the exercise of statutory functions. Details of our performance reporting framework can be found <u>here</u>.

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