

Welfare Reform Forum

West Event (Glasgow)

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Topics for Today

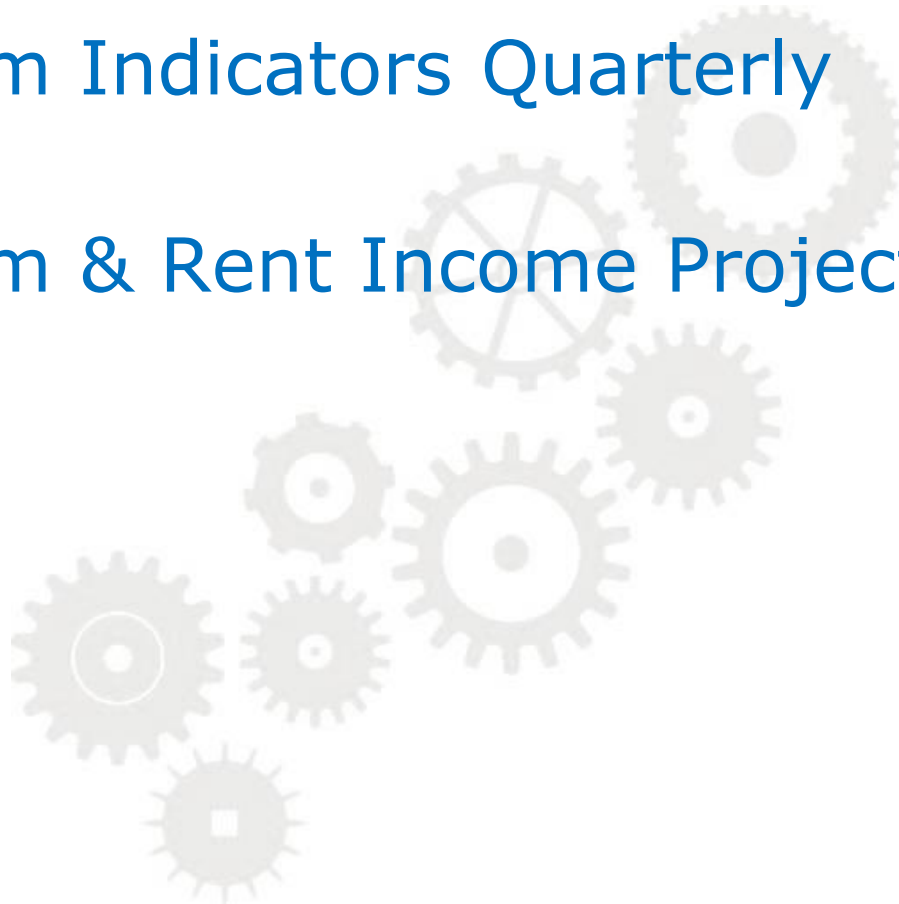
- SHN Updates (SHN)
- Universal Credit Implementation (DWP)
- SFHA Updates on Welfare Reform (SFHA)
- Welfare Reform & Digital Inclusion (SCVO & River Clyde Homes)
- Welfare Reform & Rent Income (SHN)

SHN Updates

- 'Full Service' roll-out schedule (up to Sept 2018)
- 37,689 UC recipients in Scotland (as at 08/09/16)
- i.e. 384 in Musselburgh, 912 in Inverness, 1,523 in Aberdeen, 41 in Oban & 382 in Easterhouse
- DWP Interactive Map Link:
<http://dwp-stats.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=f90fb305d8da4eb3970812b3199cf489>

SHN Updates

- Benefit Cap – 7th November 2016
- Welfare Reform Indicators Quarterly Returns
- Welfare Reform & Rent Income Project (more later!)



Welfare Reform & Rent Project

- SHN led project
- Aims:
 - Examine current impact on rental income & management
 - Gather information on landlord responses to rent collection for 'UC tenants'
 - Identify areas of common or 'best practice' for sharing
- Up to 15 landlords to be invited to participate
- 2 stages

Welfare Reform & Rent Project

- Stage 1 (by end Dec 2016):
 - Review WR indicators & rent benchmarking data for participating landlords (April 2015 – Sept 2016);
 - Snapshot data collection exercise for 'UC tenants' rent accounts
- Stage 2 (by end March 2017):
 - Establishing data context & practice sharing
 - Workshop with participating landlords
 - Identify key learning points