



PREPARING ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATIONS

LIST OF ALL TOPICS BEING CONSIDERED FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

This note provides a table of the topics to be considered when making recommendations in weekend 7.

Whilst it is for members to decide where to cover the topics have been structured so as to ensure that all aspects of the vision statement are covered separately and to reduce duplication or overlap. Also included are topics that have been important to the Assembly but which do not directly relate to the elements of the vision statement agreed by consensus in weekend 6. The table covers –

- Column 1: Vision elements (A-J) agreed by consensus in weekend 6. Vision elements (K and L) are included because they have been important to the Assembly and are not covered in the discussions of other groups
- Column 2: An explanation of how the vision elements have been broken down into topics
- Column 3: The list of suggested topic organised by group (1-16)

Column 1 Vision element	Column 2 Explanation of groupings	Column 3 Recommendations groupings
(A) The Scotland we want to see should lead with integrity, honesty, humility and transparency, in a self-sufficient and innovative way, and actively include the people of Scotland in decision making.	<p>This element has been split into two parts to allow one group to consider recommendations relating to the first part of the element and another group to consider the second part of the element.</p> <p>Group 1 is invited to consider the first part. This group should also look at part of vision element K - <i>works honestly and transparently for the benefit of Scotland and all its people.</i> which covers similar issues</p>	<p>Group 1: Recommendations to enable Scotland to lead with integrity, honesty, humility and transparency, in a self-sufficient and innovative way, and that works honestly and transparently for the benefit of Scotland and all its people</p> <p>Group 2: Recommendations to enable Scotland to actively include the people of Scotland in decision making.</p>
(B) Scotland should be a country where the people and government communicate with each other honestly and respectfully; whilst working together with concise and factual information, based on openness and accountability.	<p>Most of this element will be considered by Group 3. But one part of it - <i>'working together with concise and factual information'</i> fits better with the topic to be looked at by group 4.</p>	<p>Group 3: Recommendations to enable the people and government to communicate with each other honestly and respectfully, based on openness and accountability.</p>



(C) Authorities have a duty to publish information that is valid, accurate, reliable, verifiable and accessible to all.	That part of vision element (B) - <i>'working together with concise and factual information'</i> should also be considered by this group since it covers similar themes.	Group 4: Recommendations about duties on the part of authorities to publish information that is valid, accurate, reliable, verifiable and accessible to all.
(D) The Scotland we want to see will provide support, education, growth opportunities and security for all young people to realise their potential, both physically and mentally, regardless of their background with a view to securing their future and that of our country.	No change. It should be noted though that group 6 is looking at a similar topic. It is therefore suggested that group 5 focus on measures to support <u>young people</u> and group 6 focus on measures to <u>support adults</u> .	Group 5: Recommendations to enable Scotland to provide support, education and growth opportunities and security for all young people to realise their potential, both physically and mentally, regardless of their background with a view to securing their future and that of our country.
(E) Scotland should be a country where we encourage and support everyone to reach their full potential through support and training. Providing fair and equality-driven opportunities, through personal development, with a focus on life and vocational skills, apprenticeships and hands-on experience.	As noted above, this group is looking at similar issues to group 5. It is suggested that group 5 focus on measures to support <u>young people</u> and group 6 focus on measures to <u>support adults</u> . The content of vision element E also overlaps with element F. It is suggested therefore that group 6 also consider the part of element F covering <i>'In order to achieve a better standard of living and opportunities for all we must invest in accessible, relevant training and support'</i>	Group 6: Recommendations to enable <u>everyone</u> to reach their full potential and create a better standard of living, by investing in accessible, relevant training and support and fair and equality-driven opportunities, through personal development, with a focus on life and vocational skills, apprenticeships and hands-on experience.
(F) In order to achieve a better standard of living and opportunities for all we must invest in accessible, relevant training, support and improved income through a realistic living wage.	This element overlaps with element E above. The element has therefore been split and it is suggested that group 6 consider that part covering - <i>'we must invest in accessible, relevant training, support'</i> and Group 7 focus on measures to improve standards of living through improving incomes.	Group 7: Recommendations about improved income through a realistic living wage to ensure a better standard of living and opportunities for all
(G) The Scotland that we would want to see would be leaders in innovation, with an	No change	Group 8: Recommendations to enable Scotland to be



obligation to invest in people to create jobs, confidence, development and growth.		leaders in innovation, with an obligation to invest in people to create jobs, confidence, development and growth
(H) Scotland should be a country where all taxes are simplified and made more proportionate so that everyone is taxed accordingly; taxation is transparent and understandable; measures are introduced to minimise tax avoidance: and companies are incentivised to adopt green values.	<p>Given the breadth of this topic and the very wide range of evidence presented and member ideas for potential recommendations in weekends 3 and 4 this element has been divided into 3 groups. It is suggested that groups 9 and 10 consider the different aspects of taxation.</p> <p>Group 11 is invited to focus on issue of incentivising green values for business and also consider broader aspects of sustainability which do not form part of the consensus vision but have been discussed across the Assembly process and were supported by a substantial majority of Assembly members in weekend 6. These are:</p> <p>'Scotland should be a country where we balance our environmental, economic and social impact for the benefit of our citizens and future generations as a sustainable society.'</p> <p>'Scotland should be a country that provides environmentally sustainable housing for everyone'.</p>	<p>Group 9: Recommendations as to how tax can be simplified, made more proportionate so that everyone is taxed accordingly and tax avoidance is minimised.</p> <p>Group 10: Recommendations as to how tax can be made more transparent and understandable</p> <p>Group 11: Recommendations as to how companies can be incentivised to adopt green values and wider measures to build a sustainable country drawing on the broader sustainability statement and statement on environmentally sustainable housing</p>
(I) Scotland should be a country where people are supported out of poverty by identifying and removing barriers to employment, education and housing	No change	Group 12: Recommendations for how we remove barriers to employment, education and housing to support people out of poverty



<p>(J) Scotland should be a country where the people of Scotland have properly resourced and managed health & social care services, built around individuals and communities to achieve good health and wellbeing for all.</p>	<p>No change.</p> <p>Two groups will consider recommendations in this area, given the importance members have placed on the topic across the Assembly, and its relevance to the pandemic that the</p>	<p>Group 13a and Group 13b will both discuss:</p> <p>Recommendations as to how we have a properly resourced and managed health and social care services and how we build health and social care services around individuals and communities to achieve good health and wellbeing for all.</p>
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There also will be a process to allow the development of recommendations that do not flow directly from the vision elements to be included in Assembly recommendations, but which have been important themes in the Assembly. This covers 2 topics to be covered by groups 14 and 15 as described below.

<p>(K) A Scotland that has more powers to make its own decisions and manage its own affairs, that engages cooperatively with the other regions of the UK and internationally, and that works honestly and transparently for the benefit of Scotland and all its people.</p>	<p>This covers issues that have been important throughout the Assembly. The draft vision element was strongly supported in weekend 6 but did not secure consensus support. It is included as a separate topic because the issues have been important to the Assembly and do not fit directly with the topics to be covered by other groups.</p> <p>That part of the element covering - 'works honestly and transparently for the benefit of Scotland and all its people' has been put together with the topic for group 1 since it covers similar issues</p>	<p>Group 14: Recommendations to enable Scotland to have more powers to make its own decisions and manage its own affairs, that engages cooperatively with the other regions of the UK and internationally</p>
<p>(L) Scotland should be an inclusive country where everyone feels safe, valued and respected, where we all have personal responsibility to treat each other with kindness, looking after the most vulnerable in our communities.</p>	<p>This vision element was strongly supported in weekend 6 but did not secure consensus support. It is included as a separate topic because the issues have been important to the Assembly and do not fit directly with the topics to be covered by other groups</p>	<p>Group 15: Recommendations to enable Scotland to be an inclusive country where everyone feels safe, valued and respected, where we all have personal responsibility to treat each other with kindness, looking after the most vulnerable in our communities.</p>