

# Tenants shape the future of housing in the city

- ✘ Council tenants are being given the opportunity to shape the future of Edinburgh's housing services.

The launch of the [Tenant Participation Strategy 2012-2015](#) is being celebrated at a special event in the Capital tonight at 6.30p.m. in the City Chambers. The aim of the strategy is to improve the ways tenants can participate in decisions on housing and related services in their communities.

It builds on previous tenant participation events organised by the City of Edinburgh Council and the [Edinburgh Tenants Federation](#) such as the annual Tenants' Conference.

Councillor Cammy Day, Housing Leader for the City of Edinburgh Council, said: "This strategy is an open invitation to tenants to give us their views on what really matters to them. They have an important role to play in how the Council provides housing and other related services.

"It's important that tenants have a voice and this strategy gives them the opportunity. By taking part in the decision-making process they can help contribute to the development of quality housing in this city. There are undoubtedly some huge challenges ahead and we are always looking at creative and innovative ways to deliver more social and affordable housing in the city.

"With the help and support of our tenants we can be confident that future challenges will be tackled together."

Betty Stevenson, Convenor, Edinburgh Tenants Federation, said: "Volunteers from Edinburgh Tenants Federation have worked tirelessly with the Council to agree the content of the strategy and this is the culmination of a lot of hard work.

“We look forward to working with the Council to ensure there are better housing conditions and services by involving tenants in decision making.”