

# CHIEF EXEC'S NOTEBOOK



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## WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

### # 6 August

Meeting with Fairshare to discuss food poverty in Moray.

### # 15 August

Attending the leadership forum of 30 senior council officers discussing how we continue to improve service performance and deliver the best outcomes possible for our communities.

### # 27 August

Chaired the Council's central Health and Safety Committee to discuss how we can continue managing risks well in the workplace.

## FROM THE CHAMBER

Councillors agreed a restructure of senior management. The proposals were put out to consultation, and colleagues were informed via a team brief. Comments will be put back to councillors, and the changes are expected to come into effect on 1 October.

Not committee business, but it was inspiring to hear the presentations from our Career Ready interns as they spoke to colleagues and their mentors in the chamber at the end of their four-week internship in July. They each gave confident presentations, and I've no doubt they all made the most of their time here.

Following several weeks of recess, with committees beginning again in August, remember you can see all of the agendas/minutes on our websites - [link](#).

## LOOKING AHEAD

By the time you read this the first of our three employee conferences in Keith will have taken place to be followed by Elgin and Forres on 8 and 10 October.

### # 20 September

Fostering launch

### # 27 September

COSLA Leaders

## THANK YOU

A special thanks to the Emergency Response Co-ordinator for such a swift response in the safe and controlled evacuation of Lossiemouth's East Beach, when the bridge was closed on public safety grounds. Our colleagues who volunteered to help evacuate the beach provided the public with reassurance that the situation was being handled professionally.

Thank you for your commitment, and for pulling together at short notice to get the job done.

## HAVE YOU SEEN?

### Buckie's Darling

A fitting gateway to the town. I'm delighted to see that Carn Standing's deer structure, created from individual stainless steel herring, took the top spot in the UK-wide competition to design a gateway for Buckie. All three shortlisted designs were unique and creative, with Carn's having that special something. Read the full story on our newsdesk - [link](#).