

Shelter Scotland is prepared to take Glasgow City Council to court

- Shelter Scotland is prepared to take legal action against Glasgow City Council (GCC) for denying homeless people their legal rights. **This is breaking the law.**
- For the second year in a row Glasgow City Council has broken the law by routinely denying people's rights to a home.
- The latest government homelessness statistics show that people were turned away more than **3000 times last year**, instead of being given a place to stay.
- Shelter Scotland will not sit by as people's legal rights to a home are routinely denied and we will speak out even when others stay silent.
- Glasgow City Council must apologise to the people turned away and guarantee never to force people on to the street again.
- We stand with homeless people in Glasgow, who for too long have had no voice.

Background:

- Glasgow City Council has been breaking the law for a number of years and not delivering on its legal duty to house homeless people in the city, in particular, failing to provide temporary accommodation to those they have a duty towards. Shelter Scotland has been <u>raising this issue of</u> <u>'gatekeeping'</u> for many years.
- The official statistics show that in 2017/18 Glasgow City Council failed to provide temporary accommodation on 3025 occasions to households that needed housing help and to whom they had a statutory duty. In 2018/19 this figure rose to 3365 occasions.
- We have contacted the Housing Minister, the Scottish Government and the Scottish Housing Regulator and no action has been taken. Rights are not a privilege, they are a legal entitlement enforceable by law
- We want to see real change action not words. Year on year we have seen plans, reviews and working groups and yet the situation is getting worse, not better.

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