

Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Sub-Committee**Thursday 16 February 2017 at 2.30pm****Present:** Councillors Brennan, Brooks, Clocherty, Loughran, McCabe and Shepherd.**Chair:** Councillor Loughran presided.**In attendance:** Acting Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Mr I Hanley, Safer & Inclusive Communities and Ms S Lang (for Head of Legal & Property Services).**In attendance also:** Superintendent N Burns (for Chief Superintendent J Downie) and Chief Inspector E Brown, Police Scotland, Area Manager D Proctor and Station Manager K Hughes, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.**The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Sub-Committee.**

- 91 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 91**
- Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Campbell-Sturgess, McColgan and McEleny.
- No declarations of interest were intimated.
- 92 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Performance Report 92**
- There was submitted a report on the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's performance and activities during quarter 3 of the 2016/17 reporting period.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the information contained in the report and appendices be noted; and
 - (2) that a briefing paper be submitted to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee providing an overview of the position nationally in respect of funding for the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and how this impacts on the provision of services and staffing at a local level.
- 93 Police Scotland Performance Report 93**
- There was submitted a performance report for the Inverclyde local policing area covering the period 1 April to 31 December 2016.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the information contained in the report and appendices be noted; and
 - (2) that a briefing paper be submitted to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee providing an overview of the position nationally in respect of funding for Police Scotland and how this impacts on the provision of services and staffing at a local level.

94 Scottish Police Authority – Annual Review of Policing 2016/17 Feedback**94**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising of an engagement request from the Scottish Police Authority in respect of the forthcoming Annual Review of Policing 2016/17.

Decided: that approval be given to the response to the consultation on the Annual Review of Policing as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.

THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL – 16 FEBRUARY 2017

The Inverclyde Council

Thursday 16 February 2017 at 4pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, MacLeod, McCabe, McColgan, McCormick, McEleny, McIlwee, Nelson, Rebecchi, Shepherd and Wilson.

Chair: Provost Moran presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Chief Financial Officer, Mr C Given, Ms A Edmiston and Ms M McCabe (Finance Services), Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications, Corporate Communications Manager and Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications).

In attendance also: Mr T Yule, Audit Scotland.

95 Apologies and Declarations of Interest 95

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Grieve.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

**Minutes of Meetings of
The Inverclyde Council, Committees, Sub-Committees and Boards**

96 The Inverclyde Council – 1 December 2016 96

Approved on the motion of Provost Moran.

97 General Purposes Board – 14 December 2016 97

Approved on the motion of Councillor Brennan.

98 Health & Social Care Committee – 5 January 2017 98

Approved on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.

99 Audit Committee – 10 January 2017 99

Approved on the motion of Councillor Rebecchi.

100 General Purposes Board – 11 January 2017 100

Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.

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| 101 | Environment & Regeneration Committee – 12 January 2017 | 101 |
| | Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick. | |
| 102 | Education & Communities Committee – 17 January 2017 | 102 |
| | Approved on the motion of Councillor Loughran. | |
| 103 | Human Resources Appeals Board – 19 January 2017 | 103 |
| | Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty. | |
| 104 | Education & Communities Committee (Special) – 23 January 2017 | 104 |
| | Approved on the motion of Councillor Loughran. | |
| 105 | Policy & Resources Committee – 31 January 2017 | 105 |
| | Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe. | |
| 106 | Local Review Body – 1 February 2017 | 106 |
| | Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson. | |
| 107 | General Purposes Board – 8 February 2017 | 107 |
| | Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian. | |
| 108 | Appointment Panel – Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership – 10 February 2017 | 108 |
| | Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty. | |
| 109 | Inverclyde Council Budget 2017/18 | 109 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer, together with amended appendices circulated separately, providing the necessary information to allow the Council to approve a balanced 2017/18 Budget, a 2017/20 Capital Programme, the 2017/18 Common Good Budget and the Band D Council Tax for the financial year 2017/18.</p> <p>Following discussion, Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that the Council approve the recommendations from the Members' Budget Working Group:</p> <p>(1) that the Council not reject the conditions as set out in the letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution dated 15 December 2016;</p> <p>(2) that the Council approve that the payment from the Council to the Integration Joint Board (IJB) in 2017/18 be £47.380 million after taking into account the extra funding allocated to the IJB via the Health Budget;</p> <p>(3) that the Council approve the £59,000 reduction in the Inverclyde Leisure (IL) Management Fee due to IL withdrawing from the Service Level Agreement with the Council's HR service;</p> | |

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- (4) that the Council approve the 2017/19 Budget adjustments and allowances in Appendix 3 and agree that the resulting deficit in 2017/18 will be funded from Reserves in line with the approved Budget Strategy;
- (5) that the Council approve the use of Free Reserves as detailed in Appendix 5 and note the advice from the Chief Financial Officer in Section 13 regarding the use of Reserves to fund the Revenue Budget deficit;
- (6) that the Council approve the 2017/18 Common Good Budget as set out in Appendix 6;
- (7) that the Council approve the 2017/20 Capital Programme as detailed in Appendix 7;
- (8) that the Council note the potential significant reductions in Council services over the medium term;
- (9) that the Council support the retention of current rates paid to apprentices as set out in paragraph 13.3; and
- (10) that the Council note the feedback from the Budget Consultation outlined in Appendix 9 and that this information will be used to inform the development of future budget savings.

As an amendment, Councillor McEleny seconded by Councillor MacLeod moved:

- (1) that the Council notes the concerns the SNP Group have raised regarding the very high volume of equal pay claims that have still not been settled. The Council notes that in November of 2016 it was stated that these claims – numbering in the region of 800 – would be settled ‘imminently’. Furthermore the Council notes that a very large volume of Inverclyde Council employees have highlighted their cases to elected members but their claims have not been recognised by the Council despite the fact that colleagues in a similar position have had their claims duly recognised;
- (2) that the Council notes that the SNP Group made the offer to support this year’s budget if there was a willingness to change the Council’s position and form a new robust policy that would allow all women deemed to have equal pay claims to make them. Additionally, extra resources were requested to facilitate current claims being settled in a timeous manner as well as setting aside substantial additional resources to fund future potential claims that a policy change would result in;
- (3) that the Council therefore approves recommendations 3.1.1 to 3.1.11, excluding 3.1.5; and
- (4) that in regard to recommendation 3.1.5, the Council notes that there is an election in just over 2 months’ time at which political parties and individuals across Inverclyde will put forward their own proposals for the future of Inverclyde and that the Council believes that the democratic mandate of this Council to set substantial political spending priorities is on the cusp of expiry.

As at least one quarter of the Members present required a roll-call vote, the vote was taken by calling the roll.

Councillors Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, MacLeod, McEleny and Nelson voted for the amendment and Provost Moran, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Clocherty, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McCabe, McColgan, McCormick, McIlwee, Rebecchi, Shepherd and Wilson voted for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided: that the Council approve the recommendations from the Members’ Budget Working Group:

- (1) that the Council not reject the conditions as set out in the letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution dated 15 December 2016;
- (2) that the Council approve that the payment from the Council to the Integration Joint Board (IJB) in 2017/18 be £47.380 million after taking into account the extra funding allocated to the IJB via the Health Budget;

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- (3) that the Council approve the £59,000 reduction in the Inverclyde Leisure (IL) Management Fee due to IL withdrawing from the Service Level Agreement with the Council's HR service;
- (4) that the Council approve the 2017/19 Budget adjustments and allowances in Appendix 3 and agree that the resulting deficit in 2017/18 will be funded from Reserves in line with the approved Budget Strategy;
- (5) that the Council approve the use of Free Reserves as detailed in Appendix 5 and note the advice from the Chief Financial Officer in Section 13 regarding the use of Reserves to fund the Revenue Budget deficit;
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- (8) that the Council note the potential significant reductions in Council services over the medium term;
- (9) that the Council support the retention of current rates paid to apprentices as set out in paragraph 13.3; and
- (10) that the Council note the feedback from the Budget Consultation outlined in Appendix 9 and that this information will be used to inform the development of future budget savings.

110 Resolution: Council Tax 2017/18 110

Arising from the foregoing paragraph, Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that the Council impose no increase in the Council Tax for financial year 2017/18 and accordingly resolve to set the Band D Council Tax at £1,198.

Decided: that the Band D Council Tax for 2017/18 be set at £1,198.

Councillor Campbell-Sturgess left the meeting at this juncture.

111 Local Review Body: Vice-Chair – Request by Councillor Wilson 111

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a request by Councillor Wilson that the Council appoint a Vice-Chair of the Local Review Body.

Decided: that the Council establish the post of Vice-Chair of the Local Review Body for its remaining meetings during the term of the current Council and that Councillor Nelson be appointed to the position.

112 Disasters Emergency Committee in Scotland: Yemen Crisis Appeal – Request by Councillor McCabe 112

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a request received from Councillor McCabe that the Council consider supporting the Disasters Emergency Appeal (DEC) in Scotland: Yemen Crisis Appeal by means of financial donation and promotional activity.

Decided: that the Council agree to make a donation of £10,000 to the DEC Yemen Crisis Appeal, to be funded from the Contingencies Fund.

113 WASPI (Women Against State Pension Inequality) Campaign – Request by Councillor McCabe 113

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a request received from Councillor McCabe that the Council support the WASPI (Women Against State Pension Inequality) Campaign by agreeing the following motion:

“The Council calls upon the Government to make fair transitional state pension arrangements for all women born on or after 6 April 1951, who have unfairly borne the burden of the increase to the State Pension Age (SPA) with lack of appropriate notification.

Hundreds of thousands of women had significant pension changes imposed on them by the Pensions Acts of 1995 and 2011 with little/no personal notification of the changes. Some women had only two years notice of a six year increase to their state pension age.

Many women born in the 1950s are living in hardship. Retirement plans have been shattered with devastating consequences. Many of these women are already out of the labour market, caring for elderly relatives, providing childcare for grandchildren, or suffer discrimination in the workplace so struggle to find employment. Women born in this decade are suffering financially. These women have worked hard, raised families and paid their tax and national insurance with the expectation that they would be financially secure when reaching 60. It is not the pension age itself that is in dispute – it is widely accepted that women and men should retire at the same time. The issue is that the rise in the women’s state pension age has been too rapid and has happened without sufficient notice being given to the women affected, leaving women with no time to make alternative arrangements.

The Council calls upon the Government to reconsider transitional arrangements for women born on or after 6 April 1951, so that women do not live in hardship due to pension changes they were not told about until it was too late to make alternative arrangements.”

Decided: that the Council support the motion as detailed above.

114 Local Government Elections 2017: Review of Polling Scheme 114

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services requesting the Council to approve its Polling Scheme for the purposes of the Local Government elections in May 2017 following upon the public consultation exercise carried out in the light of necessary changes.

Decided:

- (1) that the Council approve the Polling Scheme attached as Appendix 1 for the purposes of an interim review;
- (2) that it be remitted to the Head of Legal & Property Services in consultation with the Corporate Communications Manager to continue to ensure community awareness of the Polling Scheme by all suitable means; and
- (3) that authority continue to be delegated to the Chief Executive as Returning Officer for the Local Government elections to modify the approved Polling Scheme as may be necessary in situations of need and also to make any alternative or emergency arrangements as may be necessary in the interests of voters.

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115 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 4 2016 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 115

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 12 January 2017 requesting approval of the Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council, Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 4 2016.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council, Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 4 2016 and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

116 Watt Complex Closure – Alternative Service Provision – Remit from Education & Communities Committee 116

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Education & Communities Committee of 17 January 2017 requesting the Council, as Trustees of the Watt Institution, to note the decision made by that Committee relative to alternative service provision in connection with the Watt Complex closure.

Decided: that the Council, as Trustees of the Watt Institution, note the decision of the Education & Communities Committee relative to the alternative service provision in connection with the Watt Complex closure.

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item on the grounds that it contained exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act, as detailed in the relevant minute.

Appendices to Minutes

117 Environment & Regeneration Committee – 12 January 2017 117

Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.

118 Education & Communities Committee – 17 January 2017 118

Approved on the motion of Councillor Loughran.

119 Human Resources Appeals Board – 19 January 2017 119

Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.

120 General Purposes Board – 8 February 2017 120

Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.

121 **Appointment Panel – Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership – 10 February 2017** 121

Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.

AUDIT COMMITTEE – 21 FEBRUARY 2017

Audit Committee

Tuesday 21 February 2017 at 3pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Clocherty, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, MacLeod and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Rebecchi presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Chief Financial Officer, Chief Internal Auditor, Finance Manager (Environment & Technical) and Mr N Duffy (Legal & Property Services).

In Attendance Also: Mr B Howarth and Mr T Yule (Audit Scotland).

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| 122 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 122 |
| | Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Campbell-Sturgess and Nelson. | |
| | No declarations of interest were intimated. | |
| 123 | External Audit Action Plans - Current Actions | 123 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the status of current actions from External Audit Action Plans as at 31 December 2016. (Councillor Jones entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business). | |
| | Decided: that the Committee note the progress to date in relation to the implementation of external audit actions. | |
| 124 | Internal Audit Progress Report – 5 December 2016 to 27 January 2017 | 124 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources appending the monitoring report in respect of Internal Audit activity for the period 5 December 2016 to 27 January 2017. | |
| | Decided: that the Committee note the progress made by Internal Audit in the period from 5 December 2016 to 27 January 2017. | |
| 125 | External Audit Plan 2016/17 | 125 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer presenting the External Audit Plan for 2016/17 produced by Audit Scotland. | |

AUDIT COMMITTEE – 21 FEBRUARY 2017

Decided:

- (1) that the annual Audit Plan 2016/17 be noted; and
- (2) that a special meeting of the Audit Committee be held on 27 June 2017 to review the draft Annual Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2017 prior to their submission to Audit Scotland.

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE COMMITTEE – 23 FEBRUARY 2017

Health & Social Care Committee

Thursday 23 February 2017 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Brennan, McEleny (for Campbell-Sturgess), Dorrian, MacLeod, McCabe, Clocherty (for McCormick) and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Head of Planning, Health Improvement & Commissioning, Head of Children's Services & Criminal Justice, Head of Health & Community Care, Ms F McLaren (for Chief Financial Officer), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Committee.

126 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 126

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Ahlfeld, Campbell-Sturgess, with Councillor McEleny substituting, Grieve, Jones, McCormick, with Councillor Clocherty substituting, and McIlwee.

Councillors McCabe, McEleny and MacLeod declared an interest in agenda item 14 (Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations).

127 Revenue and Capital Budget Report 2016/17 – Period 9 as at 31 December 2016 127

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the position of the Revenue and Capital Budgets for the current year as at Period 9 to 31 December 2016.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current year Revenue Budget and the projected underspend of £125,000 for 2016/17 as at 31 December 2016;
- (2) that the Committee note the current projected Capital position; and
- (3) that the Committee note the current Earmarked Reserves position.

128 Joint Inspection of Children's Services 128

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership advising the Committee of the preparations being made in relation to the forthcoming Joint Inspection of Children's Services.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report;
- (2) that Members familiarise themselves with the inspection preparation activity;
- (3) that it be agreed that Members attend Briefings relative to the inspection process; and
- (4) that Members support the inspection process.

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129 Health & Social Care Partnership Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan Performance Report 129

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the progress made in the achievement of key objectives in the Health & Social Care Partnership Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan (CDIP) 2016/19.

Decided: that the Committee note the progress made in implementing the Health & Social Care Partnership CDIP 2016/19, it being noted that the main plan, as required by the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014, is the HSCP Strategic Plan.

130 Inverclyde Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan 2017-2022 130

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership appending the Inverclyde Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan 2017-2022.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the Inverclyde Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan 2017-2022; and

(2) that the Committee approve submission of the Plan to the Scottish Government subject to Officers addressing any amendments necessary following submissions from partner agencies.

131 Inverclyde Adult Protection Committee Biennial Report 131

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership advising the Committee of the work of the Inverclyde Adult Protection Committee for the years 2014-2016 and the ongoing priority areas of focus for 2016-2018.

Decided: that the Committee note the report and acknowledge that the Inverclyde Adult Protection Committee has continued to pursue its functions to ensure standards are maintained in the face of increasingly challenging economic and social circumstances, demonstrating a continued commitment to improve the identification of adults at risk of harm, to provide support to them when needed and to provide the means to protect them from preventable harm.

132 Child Protection Committee Annual Report 132

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership advising the Committee of the work of Inverclyde Child Protection Committee for the year 2015/16 and the ongoing Business Plan for 2016/17.

During the course of discussion on this item, Councillor McEleny intimated that he would wish to ask a question, consideration of which would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended. The Committee accordingly agreed, in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Act, to exclude the public and press to allow the question to be asked and answered.

The Committee thereafter resumed consideration of the item in public session.

Decided: that the Committee note the report and acknowledge that Inverclyde Child Protection Committee has continued to pursue its functions to ensure high standards are maintained and to provide strategic leadership and develop practice to ensure high standards are maintained in the face of increasingly challenging economic social circumstances, demonstrating a continued commitment to strive for excellence in the protection of children.

133 Learning Disability Outreach and Community Supports Service – Care Inspection Report 133

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the outcome of the inspection conducted in November 2016 by the Care Inspectorate in relation to the Outreach and Community Supports Service. The report advised that the Service had received grades of 4 (good), for Quality of Care and Support and Quality of Staffing with Quality of Environment and Quality of Management and Leadership not assessed and therefore remaining at grade 5 (very good).

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the outcome of the inspection which, although imposing no requirements and making no recommendations, had suggested some development work which could be undertaken to develop the grades; and
- (2) that the Committee's appreciation be conveyed to all those involved in the service provision.

134 Inverclyde Learning Disability Support and Care at Home/Supported Living Service – Care Inspection Report 134

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the outcome of the inspection conducted in November 2016 by the Care Inspectorate in relation to the Support and Care at Home, James Watt Court/McGillvary Avenue and Supported Living Services. The report advised that the Service had received grades of 5 (very good) for Quality of Care and Support and Quality of Staffing with Quality of Management and Leadership not assessed and therefore remaining at grade 5.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the outcome of the inspection and the actions taken to address the areas of improvement highlighted within it; and
- (2) that the Committee's appreciation be conveyed to all those involved in the service provision.

135 Hillend Respite Unit – Care Inspection Report 135

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the outcome of the annual inspection of the Hillend Respite Unit conducted in October 2016 by the Care Inspectorate. The report advised that the Service had received grades of 5 (very good) for Quality of Care and Support and Quality of Staffing.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the positive outcome of the inspection and in particular that no requirements were issued to the Service by the Care Inspectorate;

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- (2) that the Committee note the areas for development highlighted in the inspection; and
 (3) that the Committee's appreciation be conveyed to all those involved in the service provision.

136 Personal Independence Payments (PIP)

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the impact of the introduction of Personal Independence Payments (PIP) and the ongoing migration of Disability Living Allowance (DLA) to the new benefit.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report and the ongoing impacts of Personal Independence Payments;
 (2) that the Committee note the mitigation efforts by Inverclyde HSCP and its financial inclusion partners;
 (3) that the Committee await further information on the new Scottish Social Security System which will replace a number of benefits including Personal Independence Payments; and
 (4) that further representations be made to the relevant Minister regarding the effect of the introduction of Personal Independence Payments on the local community and that anonymised case studies be developed to show the impact which the benefit changes are having on individuals' lives.

137 Inverclyde Integration Joint Board Corporate Support Arrangements – Service Level Agreement

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services (1) providing an update on general corporate support arrangements within the Health & Social Care Partnership and (2) seeking approval for a Service Level Agreement between Inverclyde Council and the Inverclyde Integration Joint Board (IJB) in relation to the additional corporate support arrangements required to support the IJB.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report; and
 (2) that the Committee approve the proposed Service Level Agreement attached at Appendix 1 to the report relating to the provision by Inverclyde Council of additional corporate support arrangements to the Inverclyde Integration Joint Board.

138 Update on the Provision of Caladh House and Redholm Supported Accommodation Service

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the current position in relation to the John Street, Gourock development to provide supported accommodation for service users currently within residential care in Caladh House, Bank Street, Greenock and the supported accommodation service in Redholm, Port Glasgow.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note that Inverclyde HSCP is progressing the John Street, Gourock development for completion in March 2017;

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(2) that the Committee note the delay in the completion of the building due to additional work identified during the early construction period and additional work following purchase of the premises, due to fire safety requirements identified by Building Control;

(3) that the Committee note that the £193,000 budget for the development is balanced due to efficiencies identified during construction which are off-setting the additional costs of work required; and

(4) that the Committee note that there is an opportunity to examine the scope for using the vacated Bank Street building, as a respite/short break centre.

Councillor McEleny left the meeting at this juncture.

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act as are set opposite each item.

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139 Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on matters relating to the HSCP governance process for externally commissioned Social Care Services.

Councillor McCabe declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Member of the Board of River Clyde Homes and Councillor MacLeod declared a non-financial interest as a non-executive Director of Parklea Association. Both Members formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision making process.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the governance report set out in Appendix 1 covering the period 21 November 2016 to 20 January 2017; and

(2) that Members acknowledge that Officers regard the control mechanisms in place through the governance meetings as sufficiently robust to ensure ongoing quality and safety and the fostering of a commissioning culture of continuous improvement.

140 Care Homes Market**140**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an initial analysis and overview of the current issues in relation to the provision of nursing and residential care home places in Inverclyde.

Decided:

- (1) that the content of the report be noted; and
- (2) that it be agreed to progress to a full feasibility study relative to local authority care home provision.

The Chair being of the opinion that the undernoted item was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration to allow the Committee to be advised of the report of the Social Work Complaints Review Committee at the earliest opportunity. This was agreed unanimously in terms of the relevant Standing Order.

141 Report on Social Work Complaints Review Committee of 9 February 2017**141**

There was submitted a report by the Social Work Complaints Review Committee on the outcome of a hearing held on 9 February 2017 under the Local Authority Complaints Procedure in respect of the Provision of Social Work Functions. The Committee noted the terms of the report and upheld the recommendations of the Social Work Complaints Review Committee that all elements of the complaint be not upheld, all as detailed in the appendix.

PLANNING BOARD – 1 MARCH 2017

Planning Board

Wednesday 1 March 2017 at 3pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Head of Regeneration & Planning, Development & Building Standards Manager, Service Manager (Roads), Mr G Leitch (Environmental & Commercial Services), Mr J Kerr (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services).

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Board.

142 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 142

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Campbell-Sturgess and McIlwee.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

143 PLANNING APPLICATIONS 143

There were submitted reports by the Head of Regeneration & Planning on the following applications which were dealt with as follows:-

- (a) Erection of whisky distillery with associated production and storage facilities, water abstraction infrastructure, ancillary visitors' centre, commercial/corporate event space including retail, tourism/staff related accommodation, café/restaurant, a gin still, a microbrewery and associated car parking, service provision and landscaping:
Land at Bankfoot Farm, Inverkip Road, Greenock (16/0292/IC)**

Decided: that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:-

- (1) that prior to their use, samples of all facing materials relating to the development together with samples of all hardstanding shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to enable the Planning Authority to retain effective control of facing and finishing materials in the interests of visual amenity;
- (2) that prior to the commencement of work on site full details of a landscaping scheme and programme for completion shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority. Development shall then proceed as approved unless any alternative is agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure the provision of an appropriate landscaping scheme;
- (3) that any trees, shrubs or areas of grass which die, are removed, damaged or become diseased within five years of completion of the landscaping shall be replaced within the following year with others of a similar size and species, to ensure the retention of the approved landscaping scheme in the interests of visual amenity;

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- (4) that details of maintenance and management for the landscaping approved in terms of condition 2 above shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to the start of construction of the development hereby permitted. Management and maintenance shall commence upon completion of the landscaping, to ensure the maintenance of the approved landscaping scheme in the interests of visual amenity;
- (5) that all soft landscaping shall be completed within 4 weeks of the commencement of any distillery operations or opening of visitor facilities, to ensure the provision of a visually acceptable environment within an appropriate timescale;
- (6) that the drainage regime and future maintenance shall be fully implemented to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority in accordance with the Drainage Scheme Details submitted, unless any alternative is agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure the implementation and adequacy of the drainage regime of the application site;
- (7) that the recommendations made in Section 6.1 of the Noise Impact Assessment Report dated 24 October 2016 shall be fully implemented to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, unless any alternative is first agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to protect the amenities of occupiers of residential property from unreasonable noise and vibration levels;
- (8) that the odour mitigation measures set out in Section 6.0 of the Odour Impact Assessment Report dated 24 October 2016 shall be fully followed to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, unless any alternative is first agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to protect the amenities of occupiers of residential property from unreasonable odour nuisance;
- (9) that all stages of construction from the initial groundworks through to the site completion shall first be agreed in writing with Scotland Gas Networks, in consultation with the Planning Authority, where they are within 30 metres of or involve an activity that could affect the high pressure gas pipeline. For the avoidance of doubt, the Planning Authority in consultation with Scotland Gas Networks shall determine if an activity could affect the pipeline, to ensure the development has no adverse impact on the High Pressure Gas Pipeline;
- (10) that the car and coach parking areas shall be completed and available for use to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of any distillery operations or opening of visitor facilities. The parking areas shall then be retained and available for use at all times thereafter, to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, to ensure suitable parking provision for staff and visitors, in the interests of road safety;
- (11) that full details of a signage scheme to manage the flow of traffic within the site shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The signage scheme shall then be implemented as approved and maintained on site to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority at all times thereafter, to aid the flow of traffic within the site, in the interests of road safety;
- (12) that prior to the commencement of any distillery operations or opening of visitor facilities, a green travel plan shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Thereafter operation of the site shall be undertaken in accordance with the approved green travel plan at all times in the future. For the avoidance of doubt, the green travel plan shall set out the frequency with which the plan will be reviewed in the future, to ensure the development of a sustainable transport strategy for the site;
- (13) that prior to the commencement of works on site, a pre-construction survey for all European Protected species together with all nesting birds and priority Local Biodiversity Action Plan species shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. For the avoidance of doubt, the survey shall set out appropriate

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mitigation or include a species protection plan where required, to ensure the protection of European Protected species and other wildlife;

(14) that an archaeological watching brief, to be carried out by a suitably qualified organisation, shall be implemented during all ground disturbances. The organisation shall be afforded access at all reasonable times to allow them to observe works in progress and record items of interest and finds. A method statement for the watching brief will be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of works on site, to allow for recording and recovery of antiquity;

(15) that deliveries or collections to and from the site shall not be carried out between the hours of 23:00 and 07:00 daily, to protect the amenities of occupiers of residential property from unreasonable noise and vibration levels;

(16) that prior to the commencement of any distillery operations or opening of visitor facilities, full details of the location and any enclosures for bin storage shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure bin locations and enclosures are visually acceptable;

(17) that prior to the start of development, a brief statement confirming the absence or presence of Japanese Knotweed within the site shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. In the event Japanese Knotweed is identified this statement should be accompanied with a suitable treatment methodology. Development shall not proceed until treatment is completed as per the methodology and treatment statement. Any variation to the treatment methodologies will require subsequent approval by the Planning Authority prior to development starting on site, to help arrest the spread of Japanese Knotweed in the interests of environmental protection;

(18) that the development shall not commence until an Environmental Investigation and Risk Assessment, including any necessary Remediation Strategy with timescale for implementation, of all pollutant linkages has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The investigations and assessment shall be site-specific and completed in accordance with acceptable codes of practice. The Remediation Strategy shall also include a Verification Plan. Any subsequent modifications to the Remediation Strategy and Verification Plan must be approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation, to satisfactorily address potential contamination issues in the interests of environmental safety;

(19) that on completion of remediation and verification works and prior to the site being occupied, the developer shall submit a Completion Report for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority, confirming that the works have been carried out in accordance with the Remediation Strategy. This report shall demonstrate that no pollutant linkages remain or are likely to occur and include (but not be limited to) a collation of verification/validation certificates, analysis information, remediation lifespan, maintenance/aftercare information and details of all materials imported onto the site as fill or landscaping material. The details of such materials shall include information of the materials' source, volume, intended use and chemical quality with plans delineating placement and thickness, to provide verification that remediation has been carried out to the Authority's satisfaction;

(20) that the presence of any previously unrecorded contamination or variation to reported ground conditions that becomes evident during site works shall be brought to the attention of the Planning Authority and amendments to the Remediation Strategy (i.e. that have not been included in contingency) shall not be implemented unless it has been submitted to and approved, in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure that all contamination issues are recorded and dealt with appropriately;

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(21) that prior to the commencement of works on site, full details of the phasing of the development shall be submitted to and agreed in writing by the Planning Authority. Works shall then proceed as approved, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure an acceptable form of development on site; and

(22) that prior to the commencement of works on site, a proposed lighting plan for all external lighting and illumination within the site shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Works shall then proceed as approved and the plan followed at all times thereafter, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to protect the rural character and appearance of the surrounding landscape.

**(b) Change of use of part of joinery workshop (Class 5) to a dance studio (Class 11):
Factory, 43 Caledonia Crescent, Gourrock (16/0139/IC)**

The Head of Regeneration & Planning advised of the following amendments to the Roads observations in the Consultations section of the report:-

(1) the spaces to be provided within the boundary of the site should meet the required standard of 2.5m by 5m but due to site constraints on the private land, the applicant should ensure a minimum of 4.8m by 2.5m which will provide the agreed 5 parking spaces;

(2) the spaces to be provided within the layby area should meet the required standard of 2.9m by 5.5m but due to the site constraints on the private land, the applicant should ensure a minimum of 2.4m by 5.5m which will provide the agreed 7 parking spaces; and

(3) the visibility splay has been addressed but should be maintained by the applicant.

Decided: that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:-

(1) that the dance studio use shall only occupy the area denoted by the hatches on approved drawing 03 and, prior to the commencement of the dance studio use, all other areas of the building shall be permanently blocked off out of use and remain so at all times thereafter to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, to ensure the dance studio operates at a level suitable for the congested location, in the interests of road safety;

(2) that prior to the commencement of the dance studio use, full details of a scheme of road marking both within and adjacent to the site shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The markings shall then be set out as approved prior to the commencement of the dance studio use to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, to ensure suitable pedestrian and vehicular safety measures, in the interests of road safety;

(3) that prior to the commencement of the dance studio use, the parking areas shall be surfaced to a sealed wearing course to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, to ensure suitable pedestrian and vehicular safety measures, in the interests of road safety;

(4) that prior to the commencement of the dance studio, a formal structural inspection of the walls which will hold 2 parked vehicles shall take place by a suitably qualified person and any recommendations shall be fulfilled prior to occupation of the site, in the interests of public safety;

(5) that notwithstanding the approved plans, the two easternmost spaces next to the building should be allocated to staff to ease traffic flow, in the interests of public safety;

(6) that prior to the commencement of the dance studio, vehicle restraint systems shall be designed and installed on top of the walls associated with the parking bays next to the building by a qualified organisation to prevent incursion onto the adjacent footway, in the interests of public safety;

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(7) that prior to the commencement of the dance studio, a flat top kerb should be used to delineate the edge of the road at the layby parking, with the parking constructed in accordance with the National Roads Development Guide, in the interests of public safety;

(8) that prior to the commencement of the dance studio, a pedestrian barrier shall be provided at the corner of Caledonia Crescent and Manor Crescent and shall include 2 metre gaps to allow pedestrian crossing points. A minimum footway width of 1.4 metres shall be provided where the barriers are installed, in the interests of public safety; and

(9) that the premises shall not be used outwith the hours of 07:00 and 21:00 daily, to protect the amenities of occupiers of premises from unreasonable noise and vibration levels.

144 ADVERTISEMENT APPEAL – 5 QUEEN STREET, PORT GLASGOW**144**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning advising that following the refusal of advertisement consent for an internally illuminated fascia sign at 5 Queen Street, Port Glasgow (16/0007/CA) and the subsequent appeal by the applicant to the Scottish Government against that refusal, the Reporter appointed by the Scottish Government had issued his decision which was to uphold the appeal and to grant advertisement consent for a period of five years from 14 February 2017.

Noted

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Local Review BodyWednesday 1 March 2017 at 4pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Ms F Milne (Planning Adviser), Mr J Kerr (Legal Adviser) and Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services).

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Local Review Body.

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No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

146 CONTINUED PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW 146

**(a) Construction of dwellinghouse for agricultural worker (in principle):
Flatterton Farm, Flatterton Road, Greenock (16/0152/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the construction of a dwellinghouse for an agricultural worker (in principle) at Flatterton Farm, Flatterton Road, Greenock (16/0152/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh, consideration of which had been continued from the meeting held on 1 February 2017 for an unaccompanied site inspection.

Provost Moran and Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, McColgan and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

Decided:

(1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and

(2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:-

1. in compliance with Section 59 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 the development granted may not commence until matters required to be approved by conditions imposed have been so by the Planning Authority or, as the case may be, the Scottish Ministers, to comply with Section 59 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997;

2. the application for the approval of those matters referred to in condition 1 (the requisite approval) must be made before whichever is the latest of the following:

(i) the expiration of 3 years from the date of the grant of the permission,

(ii) the expiration of 6 months from the date on which an earlier application for the requisite approval was refused, and

(iii) the expiration of 6 months from the date on which an appeal against such refusal was dismissed and may be made for

(a) different matters, and

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(b) different parts of the development, at different times. But, in relation to any matter, only one application may be made by virtue of (ii) and (iii) after the expiration of the 3 year period mentioned in (i) above, to comply with Section 59 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997;

3. Planning Permission in Principle lapses on the expiration of 2 years from the requisite approval being obtained (or, in the case of approval of different matters on different dates, from the requisite approval for the last such matter being obtained) unless the development to which the permission relates is begun before that expiration, to comply with Section 59 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997;

4. that prior to their use, samples of all facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure the acceptability of finishes to the dwellinghouse;

5. that the access shall be a minimum of 25 metres from the junction of Flatterton Road and the private road, in the interests of vehicular safety;

6. that the minimum kerb radius for the access shall be 4 metres, in the interests of vehicular safety;

7. that in the event that the site access is from the private road the minimum visibility splay shall be 43 metres by 2.4 metres by 1.05 metres and shall be provided prior to occupation of the dwellinghouse hereby approved and shall be maintained thereafter, in the interests of vehicular safety;

8. that the driveway shall cater for a minimum of 3 cars and shall be a minimum of 4.8 metres wide to allow 2 vehicles to pass, in the interests of vehicular safety;

9. that the driveway shall be paved for a minimum of 2 metres from the connection to the road, in the interests of vehicular safety;

10. that the driveway gradient shall not exceed 10%, in the interests of vehicular safety;

11. that prior to the commencement of development the applicant shall demonstrate that vehicles can enter and leave the site in forward gear, in the interests of vehicular safety;

12. that prior to the commencement of development details shall be provided and approved in writing by the Planning Authority of all boundary treatment, in the interests of visual amenity;

13. that prior to the commencement of development details shall be provided and approved in writing by the Planning Authority of sewerage arrangements, to ensure the provision of adequate facilities; and

14. that all surface water run-off shall be intercepted within the application site, in the interests of public safety.

**(b) Proposed side and rear extensions, raised deck and fencing to dwellinghouse:
29 Kelly Street, Greenock (16/0189/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for proposed side and rear extensions, raised deck and fencing to the dwellinghouse at 29 Kelly Street, Greenock (16/0189/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh, consideration of which had been continued from the meeting held on 1 February 2017 for an unaccompanied site inspection.

Provost Moran and Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, McColgan and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

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After discussion, Provost Moran moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted subject to the condition that no development shall commence until samples of all external materials have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, development thereafter shall proceed utilising the approved materials, unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure a continuity of external finishes in this part of the Greenock West End Conservation Area.

As an amendment, Councillor Jones moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the Appointed Officer's determination) as the proposal is not sympathetic to the character, pattern of development and appearance of the Conservation Area and fails to manage the historic environment with intelligence thus failing to accord with Policies RES1 and HER1 of the Local Development Plan and Historic Environment Scotland's Policy Statement.

On a vote, 3 Members, Councillors Brooks, Jones and Wilson, voted for the amendment and 3 Members, Provost Moran and Councillors Dorrian and McColgan, voted for the motion. There being equality in voting, the Chair exercised his casting vote in favour of the amendment which was declared carried.

Decided:

(1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and

(2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the Appointed Officer's determination) as the proposal is not sympathetic to the character, pattern of development and appearance of the Conservation Area and fails to manage the historic environment with intelligence thus failing to accord with Policies RES1 and HER1 of the Local Development Plan and Historic Environment Scotland's Policy Statement.

**(c) Erection of a farm worker's house on Lukestone Farm, Bridge of Weir:
Lukeston Farm, Branchal Road, Quarriers Village (16/0184/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the erection of a farm worker's house on Lukestone Farm, Bridge of Weir at Lukeston Farm, Branchal Road, Quarriers Village (16/0184/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh, consideration of which had been continued from the meeting held on 1 February 2017 for an unaccompanied site inspection.

Provost Moran and Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, McColgan and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

After discussion, Councillor Wilson moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions, with the following advisory notes being attached to the planning permission:-

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Conditions

1. that before their use, samples of facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, the approved materials shall thereafter be used unless any variation is approved in writing by the Planning Authority, in the interests of visual amenity;
2. that prior to the commencement of development details shall be provided of a broad leaved and native species re-planting scheme to compensate for the trees to be removed by the proposed development, in the interests of ecology;
3. that the driveway gradient shall not exceed 10%, to ensure usability of the driveway;
4. that all surface water must be contained within the site. Drainage arrangements should be submitted prior to the commencement of development to demonstrate how this will be achieved, in the interests of public safety; and
5. that the dwellinghouse hereby approved shall only be occupied by a person or persons locally employed in agriculture, to define the permission and in the interests of avoiding sporadic development of housing in the countryside.

Advisory Notes

1. the applicant should submit to the Planning Authority a detailed specification of the containers to be used to store waste materials and recyclable materials produced on the premises as well as specific details of the areas where such containers are to be located. The use of the residential accommodation shall not commence until the above details are approved in writing by the Planning Authority and the equipment and any structural changes are in place;
2. all external lighting on the application site should comply with the Scottish Government Guidance Note "Controlling Light Pollution and Reducing Lighting Energy Consumption";
3. the sound insulation should have regard to advice and standards contained in the current Scottish Building Regulations;
4. site drainage: suitable and sufficient measures for the effective collection and disposal of surface water should be implemented during the construction phase of the project as well as within the completed development to prevent flooding within this and nearby property;
5. rats, drains and sewers: prior to the construction phase it is strongly recommended that any existing, but redundant, sewer/drainage connections should be sealed to prevent rat infestation and inhibit the movement of rats within the area via the sewers/drains;
6. the applicant should be fully aware of the Construction (Design & Management) Regulations 2015 (CDM 2015) and their implications on client duties etc.;
7. surface water: any SUDS appraisal must give appropriate weight to not only any potential risk of pollution to watercourses but to suitable and sufficient measures for the effective collection and disposal of surface water to prevent flooding. Measures should be implemented during the construction phase of the project as well as within the completed development to prevent flooding within the application site and in property/land nearby. It is also recommended that a long term maintenance plan should be developed prior to the commencement of the proposed development;
8. septic tanks: should the premises be served by a septic tank, it will be necessary to ensure that the capacity of the tank is sufficient to deal with any additional demand and that the maintenance and emptying regime is modified accordingly; and

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9. design and construction of buildings - gulls: it is very strongly recommended that appropriate measures be taken in the design of all buildings and their construction, to inhibit the roosting and nesting of gulls. Such measures are intended to reduce nuisance to, and intimidation of, persons living, working and visiting the development.

As an amendment, Councillor Dorrian moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the Appointed Officer's determination) for the following reasons:-

1. the proposal is contrary to criterion (d) of Policy RES7 of the Local Development Plan as no satisfactory argument has been put forward to confirm that the erection of a stockman's house is justified by the operational needs of Lukestone Farm; and
2. there are no exceptional or mitigating circumstances for the proposal and it is thus contrary to Policy ENV2 of the Local Development Plan.

On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors Dorrian and Jones, voted for the amendment and 4 Members, Provost Moran and Councillors Brooks, McColgan and Wilson, voted for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions, with the following advisory notes being attached to the planning permission:-

Conditions

1. that before their use, samples of facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, the approved materials shall thereafter be used unless any variation is approved in writing by the Planning Authority, in the interests of visual amenity;
2. that prior to the commencement of development details shall be provided of a broad leaved and native species re-planting scheme to compensate for the trees to be removed by the proposed development, in the interests of ecology;
3. that the driveway gradient shall not exceed 10%, to ensure usability of the driveway;
4. that all surface water must be contained within the site. Drainage arrangements should be submitted prior to the commencement of development to demonstrate how this will be achieved, in the interests of public safety; and
5. that the dwellinghouse hereby approved shall only be occupied by a person or persons locally employed in agriculture, to define the permission and in the interests of avoiding sporadic development of housing in the countryside.

Advisory Notes

1. the applicant should submit to the Planning Authority a detailed specification of the containers to be used to store waste materials and recyclable materials produced on the premises as well as specific details of the areas where such containers are to be located. The use of the residential accommodation shall not commence until the above details are approved in writing by the Planning Authority and the equipment and any structural changes are in place;
2. all external lighting on the application site should comply with the Scottish Government Guidance Note "Controlling Light Pollution and Reducing Lighting Energy Consumption";

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3. the sound insulation should have regard to advice and standards contained in the current Scottish Building Regulations;
4. site drainage: suitable and sufficient measures for the effective collection and disposal of surface water should be implemented during the construction phase of the project as well as within the completed development to prevent flooding within this and nearby property;
5. rats, drains and sewers: prior to the construction phase it is strongly recommended that any existing, but redundant, sewer/drainage connections should be sealed to prevent rat infestation and inhibit the movement of rats within the area via the sewers/drains;
6. the applicant should be fully aware of the Construction (Design & Management) Regulations 2015 (CDM 2015) and their implications on client duties etc.;
7. surface water: any SUDS appraisal must give appropriate weight to not only any potential risk of pollution to watercourses but to suitable and sufficient measures for the effective collection and disposal of surface water to prevent flooding. Measures should be implemented during the construction phase of the project as well as within the completed development to prevent flooding within the application site and in property/land nearby. It is also recommended that a long term maintenance plan should be developed prior to the commencement of the proposed development;
8. septic tanks: should the premises be served by a septic tank, it will be necessary to ensure that the capacity of the tank is sufficient to deal with any additional demand and that the maintenance and emptying regime is modified accordingly; and
9. design and construction of buildings - gulls: it is very strongly recommended that appropriate measures be taken in the design of all buildings and their construction, to inhibit the roosting and nesting of gulls. Such measures are intended to reduce nuisance to, and intimidation of, persons living, working and visiting the development.

Councillors Loughran, Nelson and Rebecchi entered the meeting at this juncture.

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**(a) Erection of storage shed:
Craigmarloch South, Port Glasgow Road, Kilmacolm (16/0107/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the erection of a storage shed at Craigmarloch South, Port Glasgow Road, Kilmacolm (16/0107/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

Provost Moran and Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

Mr Kerr referred to new matters raised on behalf of the applicant in the form of photographs. He asked the Local Review Body whether it wished to have regard to the new matters in determining the application for review of refusal of planning permission in terms of Section 43(B) of the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997. It was agreed that the Local Review Body consider the new matters and copies of the photographs were circulated.

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After discussion, Councillor Nelson moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted subject to the condition that prior to the commencement of works on site, samples of all external materials to be used in construction be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Works shall then proceed as approved unless an alternative is agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure the proposed materials are acceptable.

As an amendment, Councillor Jones moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the Appointed Officer's determination) for the following reasons:-

1. the applicant has not demonstrated any operational need or any exceptional or mitigating circumstances that would justify the erection of a storage shed in this Green Belt location. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policies SDS8, ENV2 and ECN4 (b) and (c) of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan; and
2. the design of the building incorporating the use of 4m high grey concrete panels would not blend with the landscape, contrary to the guidance within Planning Application Advice Note 9 and the scale of the building would be a significant feature within the rural location leading to the continued and inappropriate industrialisation of the Green Belt.

On a vote, 3 Members, Councillors Dorrian, Jones and Loughran, voted for the amendment and 6 Members, Provost Moran and Councillors Brooks, McColgan, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson, voted for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted subject to the condition that prior to the commencement of works on site, samples of all external materials to be used in construction be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Works shall then proceed as approved unless an alternative is agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure the proposed materials are acceptable.

**(b) Erection of holiday chalet (in retrospect):
Blackwater Farm, Woodhead Road, Kilmacolm (16/0236/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the erection of a holiday chalet (in retrospect) at Blackwater Farm, Woodhead Road, Kilmacolm (16/0236/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

Provost Moran and Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

Decided:

- (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:-

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1. that planning permission shall last for a period of 3 years from the date of this permission, as the external condition of the chalet requires to be kept under review, as the building is temporary in nature, in the interests of the visual amenity of the countryside;
2. that prior to the chalet hereby permitted being brought into use, details of the surfacing around the chalet and of the access track leading to it shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure that parking provision can be made on site and that the site will be fully accessible to encourage the parking provision to be used, all to prevent parking on the nearby road in the interests of traffic safety;
3. that the holiday chalet hereby permitted shall be used in all time coming solely as a holiday chalet and not for any other purpose under Class 9 of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) (Scotland) Order 1997, to define the permission and avoid sporadic residential related development in the countryside; and
4. that within 3 months of the use for which this planning permission is granted ceasing, the building shall be removed from the site and the ground re-instated with a treatment to be approved in writing by the Planning Authority, in the interests of the visual amenity of the countryside.

**(c) Repainting of south (rear) elevation of flatted villa (in retrospect):
3 Madeira Street, Greenock (16/0196/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the repainting of the south (rear) elevation of the flatted villa (in retrospect) at 3 Madeira Street, Greenock (16/0196/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

Provost Moran and Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

After discussion, Councillor Nelson moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the Appointed Officer's determination) as the dark cream is a bright, modern paint colour that does not have the characteristics of a traditional limewash which may have been used on a house of this period style. The colour used on the banding is also an inappropriately contrasting shade relative to the main dark cream colour. Painting the rear elevation also results in an unexpected, uncoordinated arrangement of external colours within the building and the colours are also at odds with the primarily white and cream tones found within this part of the Conservation Area. The works undertaken therefore do not preserve and enhance the appearance of the Greenock West End Conservation Area and are not appropriate in terms of Policies HER1 and RES5 of the Local Development Plan together with Historic Scotland's Policy and Guidance which seek to preserve the historic environment, and PAN71.

As an amendment, Councillor Wilson moved (1) that sufficient information had not been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that, in terms of Regulation 16 of the Town & Country Planning (Schemes of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, consideration of the application for review be continued for an unaccompanied site inspection to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Property Services in consultation with the Chair.

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On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors Dorrian and Nelson, voted for the motion and 7 Members, Provost Moran and Councillors Brooks, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, Rebecchi and Wilson voted for the amendment which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that sufficient information had not been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that, in terms of Regulation 16 of the Town & Country Planning (Schemes of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, consideration of the application for review be continued for an unaccompanied site inspection to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Property Services in consultation with the Chair.

ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 2 MARCH 2017

Environment & Regeneration Committee

Thursday 2 March 2017 at 3pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors McEleny (for Campbell-Sturgess), Clocherty, Dorrian, Jones, MacLeod, McCabe, McCormick, Nelson and Shepherd.

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Legal & Property Services, Legal Services Manager (Procurement & Conveyancing), Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services), Finance Manager (Environment & Technical), Ms M McCabe (Finance Services), Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Service Manager (Roads), Head of Regeneration & Planning, Property Assets Manager, Technical Services Manager and Corporate Communications Manager.

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Committee.

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| 148 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 148 |
| | Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Ahlfeld and Campbell-Sturgess, with Councillor McEleny substituting. | |
| | No declarations of interest were intimated. | |
| 149 | Environment & Regeneration Revenue Budget 2016/17 – Period 9 to 31 December 2016 | 149 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the position of the Revenue Budget 2016/17 as at Period 9 (31 December 2016) which showed a projected underspend of £2,000. | |
| | Decided: that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £2,000 for 2016/17 as at 31 December 2016. | |
| 150 | Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme 2016/17 to 2017/18 – Progress | 150 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the position of the projects within the Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme. | |
| | The Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updated the Committee with regard to the western entrance sculpture project at Port Glasgow and advised of possible impacts on cost and timescales as a result of traffic safety issues. | |
| | Decided: | |
| | (1) that the Committee note the current position of the Capital Programme 2016/18 and the progress of the specific projects detailed in appendices 1 and 2 of the report; | |
| | (2) that a report on the western entrance sculpture project at Port Glasgow be submitted to the June meeting of the Committee; and | |

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(3) that, in the meantime, authority be delegated to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer, the Head of Legal & Property Services and Riverside Inverclyde to take any necessary action regarding the Council's involvement in the western entrance sculpture project.

151 Shared Services – Joint Committee 151

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing an update on the progress of shared services preparations amongst East Dunbartonshire, West Dunbartonshire and Inverclyde Councils.

Decided: that the Committee note the progress on shared services discussions with East and West Dunbartonshire Councils, the proposal to appoint a lead officer, with costs being contained within the Directorate Revenue Budget 2017/18, and that the next meeting of the Joint Committee will be in March 2017.

152 Inverclyde Local Development Plan Main Issues Report 152

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan Main Issues Report for public consultation from 31 March to 31 May 2017.

After discussion, Councillor McCabe moved that the Inverclyde Local Development Plan Main Issues Report be approved for public consultation. As an amendment, Councillor Nelson moved that the Inverclyde Local Development Plan Main Issues Report be approved for public consultation subject to amendment of Issue 7 – Spango Valley, Greenock to retain the previous designations of the former IBM site, including the use of the western part of the site for business and industry. On a vote, 4 Members, Councillors Jones, MacLeod, McEleny and Nelson, voted for the amendment and 6 Members, Provost Moran and Councillors Clocherty, Dorrian, McCabe, McCormick and Shepherd, voted for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Local Development Plan Main Issues Report be approved for public consultation.

153 Scottish Government Climate Change Reporting 153

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the performance data submitted to the Scottish Government in respect of climate change reporting required under the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009.

Decided: that the Committee note the Council's climate change performance, particularly with regard to the reduction of carbon emissions.

154 The Scottish Government Draft Climate Change Plan – The Draft Third Report on Policies and Proposals 2017-2032 154

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) on the Draft Climate Change Plan published by the Scottish Government in January 2017 and the implications it may have for the operations of the Council and (2) seeking agreement to the comments on the Plan submitted on behalf of the Council.

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Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the publication of the Draft Climate Change Plan and approve the Council's comments as set out in paragraphs 6.1 – 6.3 of the report, which were submitted to the Scottish Government in order to meet the 10 February deadline for submission of comments; and
- (2) that a report providing an update on the Council's Climate Change Action Plan be submitted to the June meeting of the Committee, the report to include the further actions required to address Scottish Government targets.

155 Scottish Government Consultation on Raising Planning Fees 155

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the consultation response submitted on behalf of the Council to the Scottish Government on raising the cap on planning application fees to better reflect the level of resources they demand by the 27 February 2017 deadline.

During consideration of this item of business, Councillor McCormick vacated the Chair and left the Chambers and Councillor Clocherty assumed the Chair. Councillor McCormick returned to the meeting prior to the Committee concluding consideration of the matter and resumed the Chair.

Decided: that the Committee endorse the consultation response submitted to the Scottish Government in respect of raising the cap on planning application fees.

156 Scottish Government Consultation on Places, People and Planning: A Consultation on the Future of the Scottish Planning System 156

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) on the Scottish Government consultation on the future of the Scottish planning system and (2) seeking approval of the consultation response set out in the report.

Decided: that approval be given to the submission of the response to the Scottish Government consultation on the future of the Scottish planning system as set out in the report.

157 Flood Risk Management – Update Report 9 157

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the progress of the Council's flood risk management programme.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current progress on the Central Greenock Flood Prevention Schemes; and
- (2) that the Committee note the current progress on the Flood Risk Management Act Schemes outwith central Greenock.

158 Road Asset Management Policy 158

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval of the Road Asset Management Policy, a copy of which was attached to the report.

Decided: that the Committee note and approve the Road Asset Management Policy.

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- 159 Roads Asset Management Plan 2017/18 159**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval in relation to a proposed programme of projects to be undertaken in 2017/18 using Roads Asset Management Plan (RAMP)/Capital Funding and grant offers of funding by the Scottish Government for Cycling, Walking and Safer Street projects (CWSS).
- Decided:**
- (1) that the list of projects for the 2017/18 RAMP/Capital and CWSS grant aided roads related projects be approved; and
 - (2) that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services to achieve full spend of the RAMP/Capital budget through the substitution of projects from a reserve list when necessary.
- 160 Implications of Removal of the use of Parking Discs in Kilmacolm 160**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the implications of enforcing the existing two hour time limit in designated on-street parking locations in Kilmacolm without the requirement to display a parking disc, as agreed by the Committee at its meeting on 12 January 2017.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the further investigations that have been carried out into the enforcement of on-street two hour maximum stay car parking in Kilmacolm;
 - (2) that approval be given to the drafting and promotion of a variation to the Traffic Regulation Order to remove the requirement to display parking discs; and
 - (3) that a further report be submitted on the outcome of the consultation process associated with the variation to the Traffic Regulation Order which will inform the Committee of the extent of support for the proposal.
- 161 Residents' Parking Permit Scheme Expansion 161**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to extend the Residents' Parking Permit Scheme into two areas adjacent to Greenock Town Centre and a small section of Shore Road, Wemyss Bay.
- Councillor Rebecchi was present as a Member with a specific ward-based interest in the item and, with the consent of the Convener, participated in the debate.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee agree to (i) the extension to the GR2 Residents' Parking Permit Zone to include East Shaw Street, Bearhope Street and Duncan Street, Greenock and (ii) the creation of two new Parking Permit Zones to include all of Shaw Place and Trafalgar Street and Mearns Street (between Shaw Place and Regent Street), Greenock and Shore Road, Wemyss Bay; and
 - (2) that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to prepare and promote Traffic Regulation Orders to progress and enforce the proposed extension to the Residents' Parking Permit Scheme.

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162 Economic Development – Additional Budget Allocation

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing details of the allocation by the Council at the budget meeting on 16 February 2017 from the use of reserves of sums of £2.5m for town and village centres and £500,000 for employability initiatives.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the allocation in the budget for additional economic development activity;
- (2) that the Committee approve the allocations as set out in the report; and
- (3) that update reports be submitted to every second cycle of the Committee.

The Convener being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration in terms of the relevant Standing Order to allow the Committee to be apprised of the position at the earliest opportunity. This was agreed unanimously.

163 Inverclyde Single Outcome Agreement: City Deal

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the strategic fit of City Deal projects with the current Single Outcome Agreement and their likely future fit with any refreshed Single Outcome Agreement.

In response to a request for an update on the Inverkip project, the Head of Regeneration & Planning advised that negotiations with interested parties were ongoing and it was agreed that he provide further information later in the meeting following exclusion of the public and press.

Decided: that the Committee note the positive strategic fit between City Deal infrastructure and employability interventions with the current and emerging Local Outcome Improvement Plan.

Councillor Nelson left the meeting at this juncture.

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act as are set opposite each item.

| Item | Paragraph(s) |
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| Non Operational Property Portfolio Information Scheme of Delegation Register | 2, 6 and 9 |
| Disposal of Site – Stafford Road, Greenock | 2, 6 and 9 |
| Property Assets Management Report | 2, 6 and 9 |
| Inverclyde Single Outcome Agreement: City Deal | 6 |

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- 164 Non Operational Property Portfolio Information Scheme of Delegation Register 164**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the exercise by Officers of powers delegated to them in terms of the Scheme of Delegation and providing an update on the management of the Council's commercial and industrial property portfolio for the period January to December 2016.
Decided: that the Committee note the terms of the report.
- 165 Disposal of Site – Stafford Road, Greenock 165**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to (1) declare a site at Stafford Road, Greenock surplus to the Council's requirements and (2) proceed with demolition of the premises on the site and clearance of the site.
 Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.
- 166 Property Assets Management Report 166**
- There was submitted a report together with addendum report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on activities and proposals for the management of the Council's property assets.
 The Property Assets Manager updated the Committee on the position in respect of premises at Ardgowan Square, Greenock.
 Following consideration, the Committee agreed to take action in respect of (1) premises at Ardgowan Square, Greenock, (2) premises at John Street, Gourrock and (3) a site at Auchenbothie Road, Port Glasgow, all as detailed in the appendix.
- 167 Inverclyde Single Outcome Agreement: City Deal 167**
- The Head of Regeneration & Planning updated Members on the progress of the Inverkip project.
Noted
- Following conclusion of the Committee business, Councillor McCormick extended his thanks to the Elected Members on the Committee and to Officers for their help and support over the last five years.

GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE – 7 MARCH 2017

Grants Sub-CommitteeTuesday 7 March 2017 at 1pm

Present: Councillors Dorrian, McColgan, Shepherd and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor McColgan presided.

In attendance: Acting Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Mr N Duffy (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Community Learning & Development Manager and Ms J Fallon (Community Learning & Development).

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Sub-Committee.

168 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 168

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor McIlwee.

Councillor Dorrian declared an interest in agenda item 2 (Grants to Voluntary Organisations 2017/2018).

169 Grants to Voluntary Organisations 2017/2018 169

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education Communities & Organisational Development giving details of the applications received for consideration for funding from the grants to voluntary organisations budget in 2017/2018.

Councillor Dorrian declared a non-financial interest in this item as a board member of Inverkipp Community Initiative. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest in the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision making process.

Decided: that grants be made to voluntary organisations as follows:-

| Groups | Awards |
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| Greenock Art Club | £1,000.00 |
| Greenock Light Opera Club | £1,000.00 (conditional) |
| Inverclyde Pipes and Drums | £500.00 (conditional) |
| Inverclyde Youth Theatre | £2,000.00 |
| Pan Breed Productions | Nil |
| RIG Arts Ltd | Nil |
| Riverside Youth Band | £1,000.00 |
| Stedfast Silver Band | £500.00 |
| Gourock Park Bowling Club | Nil |
| Grosvenor Bowling Club | £2,000.00 |
| Lady Alice Bowling Club Junior Section | £1,000.00 |
| Port Glasgow Bowling Club | £2,000.00 (conditional) |
| Rankin Park Bowling Club | £1,500.00 (conditional) |
| Rankin Park Bowling Club | Nil |

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| Wellington Park Bowling Club | £1,500.00 (conditional) |
| Children in Poverty Inverclyde | £1,000.00 |
| GRASP (Greenock Recovery Alcohol Support Project) | £1,000.00 |
| Home Start Renfrewshire and Inverclyde | £1,000.00 |
| Inverclyde Out of School Care Network | £500.00 (conditional) |
| MindMosaic Counselling and Therapy | Nil |
| MindMosaic Counselling and Therapy | Nil |
| REACH for Autism | £12,000.00 (conditional) |
| Auchmountain Glen Project | £1,000.00 (conditional) |
| Belville Community Garden Trust | Nil |
| Broomhill Tenants and Residents Association | £1,500.00 |
| Cowdenknowes Residents Association | £350.00 (conditional) |
| Inverkipp Community Initiative | Nil |
| Kilmacolm & Port Glasgow Agricultural Society Ltd | £1,750.00 |
| Kilmacolm Horticultural Society | £500.00 |
| Slaemuir Tenants & Residents Association | £1,500.00 (conditional) |
| The Church of St Mary The Virgin Port Glasgow | £131.96 |
| Woodhall Community Association | £3,000.00 |
| Arthritis Care Greenock & District | £1,000.00 |
| Deafblind Scotland | £712.00 |
| North Ayrshire Beekeepers Association (Inverclyde Pollinator Corridor Project) | £1,000.00 |
| Parkinson's Inverclyde Support Group | £831.25 |
| Victim Support Scotland | Reject |
| Port Glasgow Old Mens Club | £500.00 |
| Woman's Initiative for Socialising, Health, Education & Skills (Wishes) | £1,000.00 |
| Inverclyde Happy Tots | £1,000.00 |
| Kilmacolm Playgroup & Toddlers | £500.00 |
| Ardgowan Club | Nil |
| Clyde Netball Club | Nil |
| Gourock Golf Club | Nil |
| Greenock Boxing Club | Nil |
| Greenock Cricket Club | Nil |
| Greenock Juniors Football Club | £4,800.00 (conditional) |
| Greenock Morton Hockey Club | Nil |
| Inverclyde Amateur Swimming Club | Nil |
| Inverclyde Cricket Club | £1,000.00 |
| Newark Angling Club | £500.00 (conditional) |
| Paisley District Schools Football Association | £500.00 |
| Port Glasgow Boat Club | £1,000.00 (conditional) |
| Port Glasgow Boys Club (all) | Nil |
| Port Glasgow Juniors Community Sports Club | Nil |
| Port Glasgow Juniors FC | £5,000.00 (conditional) |
| Port Victoria Boxing Club | £3,000.00 |
| St Andrews BC U21s | £500.00 |
| Auchmountain Community Resource Centre | £5,000.00 |
| Gibshill Community Centre | £5,000.00 |

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| 49F Greenock Squadron Air Training Corps | £500.00 |
| G&D Explorer Belt | £1,000.00 |
| Kilmacolm Local Area Guides | £1,000.00 |
| The Girls' Brigade in Scotland | £2,000.00 |
| Inverclyde Heartstart | £450.00 |
| Lyle Gateway (SCIO) | £860.00 |
| Port Glasgow Voluntary Trans-Port Group | Nil |

EDUCATION AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 7 MARCH 2017

Education and Communities Committee

Tuesday 7 March 2017 at 2pm

Present: Councillors Brennan, Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, Jones, Loughran, McCabe, McColgan, McEleny, Shepherd and Wilson, Rev F Donaldson and Mrs F Gilpin, Church Representatives and Mr T Tracey, Teacher Representative.

Chair: Councillor Loughran presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Acting Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Community Safety and Wellbeing Manager, Community Learning & Development Manager, Libraries, Museum & Archives Manager, Mr I Cameron (for Chief Financial Officer), Mr C Given (Finance Services), Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms G Murphy and Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Head of Education, Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy, Property Services Manager and Corporate Communications Manager.

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Committee.

170 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

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An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Mr Thomson, Parent Representative.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 5 (Inverclyde Local Housing Strategy 2017-2022) – Councillors McCabe and McEleny.

Agenda Item 8 (Loan of the Temianka Bust from the McLean Museum & Art Gallery) – Councillor McCabe.

Agenda Item 9 (Inverclyde Leisure – 3 Year Strategic Plan) – Councillors Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty and McColgan.

Agenda Item 10 (Grants to Voluntary Organisations Update) – Councillor McEleny.

Agenda Item 18 (Inverclyde Leisure Articles and Funding Agreement) – Councillors Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty and McColgan.

171 Communities 2016/17 Revenue Budget Report – Period 9 to 31 December 2016

171

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the 2016/17 Communities Revenue Budget position as at Period 9 to 31 December 2016.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current projected overspend of £17,000 for the 2016/17 Communities Revenue Budget as at Period 9 to 31 December 2016; and
- (2) that the Committee note that the current projected overspend of £17,000 is being contained within the overall Education & Communities Directorate Revenue Budget due to a projected underspend of £629,000 in the Education Budget.

172 Communities Capital Programme 2016-2018 Progress

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the status of the projects forming the Communities Capital Programme and (2) highlighting the overall financial position.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the progress of the specific projects detailed in appendix 1 to the report;
- (2) that the Committee approve the allocation of funding from the Repairs and Renewal Fund to progress a pitch carpet replacement at Lady Octavia Recreation Centre as outlined in section 12.1;
- (3) that the Committee note the delay in the procurement process for the public space CCTV infrastructure and that the costs of extending the maintenance of the existing CCTV system will be contained within existing budgets; and
- (4) that the Committee approve the issue of tenders for the Watt Complex refurbishment project and grant delegated authority to the Head of Legal & Property Services to accept the most economically advantageous tender provided the cost is within the budget allocation for the project as detailed in paragraph 6.1.

173 Food Standards Scotland Audit of Food Safety Enforcement

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the outcome of a recent capacity and capability audit of the Council's food control function carried out by Food Standards Scotland.

Copies of the audit, which was a second successive "clean" audit with no recommendations, were circulated to the Committee.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the outcome of the capacity and capability audit of Inverclyde Council's food control function; and
- (2) that the Committee's congratulations be extended to those involved in the service provision.

174 Inverclyde Local Housing Strategy 2017-2022

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval of the Council's new Local Housing Strategy (LHS) for the five year period 2017-2022.

Councillors McCabe and McEleny declared a non-financial interest in this item as Members of the Board of River Clyde Homes. They also formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision making process.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the submission of the final draft of the Inverclyde Local Housing Strategy 2017-2022 to the Scottish Ministers; and
- (2) that it be noted that the Local Housing Strategy is subject to annual monitoring and review and that updates on progress will be submitted to future meetings of the Committee.

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175 Registration of Private Landlords – Formal Procedure for the Approval, Refusal or Removal of Registration 175

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval for proposed amendments to the current procedures used to approve or refuse the registration of a private landlord or agent or to remove a landlord or agent from the Private Landlord Register.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current progress in relation to Private Landlord Registration in Inverclyde;
- (2) that the Committee approve the new procedure for the approval, refusal or removal of a landlord's registration;
- (3) that the Committee approve the fit and proper person test assessment criteria set out in Section 85 of the Anti-Social Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 and detailed in Section 5 of the report; and
- (4) that the Committee approve in principle the establishment of a Housing (Landlord Registration) Sub-Committee to consider the refusal or removal of the registration of a private landlord or agent and that it be remitted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to make arrangements for the Council to consider consequent amendments to the Scheme of Administration and arrangements for membership and a quorum at its statutory meeting in May 2017.

176 Waitrose Lead Authority Partnership 176

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of an approach made by Waitrose to the Trading Standards and Enforcement Team of Safer & Inclusive Communities, requesting its involvement as a Scottish Lead Authority.

Decided: that approval be given to the participation of Inverclyde Council's Trading Standards and Enforcement Team in a Lead Authority Partnership with Waitrose for the provision of advice and guidance on Scottish legislation, primarily in relation to tobacco, as part of the nationally recognised Primary Authority Scheme set up by the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS).

177 Loan of the Temianka Bust from the McLean Museum and Art Gallery 177

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development informing the Committee of a request for the loan of a bronze portrait bust of Henri Temianka from the McLean Museum and Art Gallery (the James Watt Trust).

Councillor McCabe declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Member of the Board of Greenock Arts Guild. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision making process.

Decided: that the Committee approve the request for the loan of the Henri Temianka bust to the Beacon Arts Centre for the duration of the closure of the McLean Museum subject to matters of transport, security and insurance being arranged to the satisfaction of the Libraries, Museum and Archives Manager.

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- 178 Inverclyde Leisure – 3 Year Strategic Plan 178**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval of Inverclyde Leisure's Strategic Plan for 2017/20. Copies of the draft plan were circulated to the Committee.
- Councillors Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty and McColgan declared a non-financial interest in this item as Members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure. They also formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision making process.
- Decided:**
- (1) that consideration be continued to the meeting of the Inverclyde Council on 6 April 2017; and
 - (2) that Inverclyde Leisure be asked to make a presentation on the contents of the Strategic Plan to an All Members' briefing session, prior to the meeting of the Council.
- 179 Grants to Voluntary Organisations Update 179**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on proposals to target the additional Grants to Voluntary Organisations funding agreed in the 2017/18 budget towards community asset transfers while still providing a potential avenue for support for more general voluntary organisations in 2017/18.
- Councillor McEleny declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Member of Gourock Sports Hub. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision making process.
- (Councillor Wilson left the meeting during consideration of this item of business).
- Decided:** that the Committee note the additional funding for Grants to Voluntary Organisations and the intention to target assistance towards organisations seeking community asset transfers.
- 180 Inverclyde Football Review of Charging Structure – Request by Councillor McEleny 180**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a request from Councillor McEleny that the Committee consider a report "Inverclyde Football – Review of Charging Structure to Ensure a Sustainable Future".
- (Councillor Wilson returned to the meeting during consideration of this item of business).
- Decided:** that a report be submitted to the Committee in due course following a review of the charging structure for all team sports using pitches and halls operated by the Council and Inverclyde Leisure and that the report include a comparison with the charges imposed for such provision in other local authority areas.
- It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following two items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act as are set opposite the heading to each item.**

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| Item | Paragraph(s) |
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| Clune Park Regeneration Plan Progress Report – Update on Current Actions | 6, 9 12 and 13 |
| Inverclyde Leisure Articles and Funding Agreement | 6 and 9 |
| 181 Clune Park Regeneration Plan Progress Report – Update on Current Actions | 181 |
| <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) on the current actions to implement the Council's decisions on the Clune Park Estate and (2) providing information on key current items in this regard. (Councillor Wilson left the meeting during consideration of this item of business). Decided: that the Committee note the current progress in respect of the Clune Park Area Regeneration Plan and that further progress updates will be submitted regularly to future meetings of the Committee.</p> | |
| 182 Inverclyde Leisure Articles and Funding Agreement | 182 |
| <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) seeking approval of revisals to the current Inverclyde Leisure Articles of Association and Funding Agreement and (2) requesting that delegated authority be granted to finalise both documents with Inverclyde Leisure. Councillors Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty and McColgan declared a non-financial interest in this item as Members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure. They also formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision making process. Decided: (1) that approval be given to revisals to Inverclyde Leisure's Articles of Association subject to approval by OSCR; (2) that approval be given to the terms of the revised Funding Agreement; and (3) that delegated powers be granted to the Head of Legal & Property Services in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer to agree any minor amendments with Inverclyde Leisure and to finalise the draft Funding Agreement and Articles.</p> <p>The Communities business concluded at 4.20pm</p> <p>The Committee commenced consideration of the Education items of business at 4.30pm with Rev Donaldson, Mrs Gilpin and Mr Tracey joining the meeting. Councillors Campbell-Sturgess and Wilson did not return for consideration of the Education items of business.</p> | |
| 183 Follow Up Progress Report - Education Scotland Visit to Craigmarnoch School | 183 |
| <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on the progress made since the inspection of Craigmarnoch School by Education Scotland in March 2016.</p> | |

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(Councillor Jones returned to the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the progress made since the inspection report; and
- (2) that a further report providing an evaluation of the progress made be submitted to the Committee in September 2017.

184 Education 2016/17 Revenue Budget – Period 9 to 31 December 2016 184

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the 2016/17 Education Revenue Budget position as at Period 9 to 31 December 2016.

Decided: that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £629,000 for the 2016/17 Education Revenue Budget as at period 9 to 31 December 2016.

185 Education Capital Programme 2016-2018 Progress 185

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and the Chief Financial Officer (1) providing an update on the status of the projects forming the Education Capital Programme and (2) highlighting the overall financial position.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the progress of the specific projects detailed in appendix 1;
- (2) that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to agree, execute and deliver the Design and Build Development Agreements for (a) the Moorfoot Primary School refurbishment project as detailed in paragraph 7.1, (b) the St Ninian's Primary School project as detailed in paragraph 7.3 and (3) the new build West End of Greenock Early Years Project as detailed in paragraph 7.5, all provided the costs are within the budget allocations for the projects; and
- (3) that approval be given to the issue of tenders for the Glenbrae Children's Centre relocation (Aberfoyle Road refurbishment) project and that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to accept the most economically advantageous tender provided the cost is within the budget allocation for the project, as detailed in paragraph 7.4.

186 Education Equality Mainstreaming Report and Equality Outcomes 186

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval of the Education Equality Mainstreaming Report and Equality Outcomes which require to be published by 30 April 2017 as part of the Education Authority's legislative duties under the Equality Act 2010.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the draft Education Authority Mainstreaming report appended to the report;
- (2) that the Committee approve the draft Education Authority Equality Outcomes subject to no major amendments being proposed to the Outcomes during the public consultation; and
- (3) that if any major amendments are required following the public consultation exercise, the Education Authority's Equality Outcomes be submitted to the Committee at its first meeting following the Local Government elections in May 2017.

187 Update on the Use of the Pupil Equity Fund 187

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on the emerging local and national guidance available to schools on the use of the Pupil Equity Fund.

Decided:

- (1) that the contents of the report be noted; and
- (2) that a further report be submitted to the Committee in due course on the use of the funding by Head Teachers in Inverclyde.

188 Online School Payments Update 188

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on the progress of the pilot for online school payments.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 8 MARCH 2017

General Purposes Board**Wednesday 8 March 2017 at 3pm**

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Brooks, Dorrian, Loughran, McColgan, Nelson and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr D Keenan (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms F Denver (Legal & Property Services), Sergeant J Curran and PC D McEwan, Police Scotland.

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Board.

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| 189 | <p>Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest</p> <p>Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Jones and McIlwee.</p> <p>No declarations of interest were intimated.</p> <p>It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.</p> | 189 |
| 190 | <p>Application for Taxi Driver's Licence – John Bowes</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Bowes following receipt of a letter of representation by Police Scotland.</p> <p>Mr Bowes was not present for this item.</p> <p>The Board heard Sergeant Curran in support of Police Scotland's representation.</p> <p>Decided: the Board agreed to take action in relation to the applicant, all as detailed in the appendix.</p> | 190 |
| 191 | <p>Application for Renewal of Taxi Driver's Licence – Scott Cameron</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Cameron following receipt of a letter of objection by Police Scotland.</p> <p>Mr Cameron was present for this item.</p> <p>The Board heard Sergeant Curran in support of Police Scotland's objection and Mr Cameron in support of his application.</p> <p>Decided: that the application be granted.</p> | 191 |

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 21 MARCH 2017

Policy & Resources Committee

Tuesday 21 March 2017 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Clocherty, MacLeod, McCabe, McCormick, McEleny, McIlwee, Nelson, Loughran and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor McCabe presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services), Chief Financial Officer, Head of Education, Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications, Service Manager Health Improvement, Inequalities & Personalisation, Corporate Policy & Partnership Manager, Ms K Barclay and Ms J Boyd (Education Services) and Ms K Munro (Regeneration & Planning).

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Committee.

192 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 192

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Wilson.

Councillors Clocherty and McCabe declared an interest in agenda item 10 (Amendment to Riverside Inverclyde (ri) Articles of Association).

193 Policy & Resources Capital Programme 2016/20 – Progress Report 193

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) providing an update on the status of the projects within the Policy & Resources Capital Programme and (2) highlighting the overall financial position.

Decided: that the Committee note the current position of the 2016/20 Capital Programme, the reported slippage and the progress on the specific projects detailed in the report and appendix 1.

194 Capital Programme 2016/20 194

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the latest position of the 2016/20 Capital Programme.

Decided: that the Committee note the current position of the 2016/20 Capital Programme.

195 Policy & Resources Committee Revenue Budget 2016/17 – Period 10 to 31 January 2017 195

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Environment,

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Regeneration & Resources and Chief Financial Officer on the 2016/17 projected out-turn for the Policy & Resources Committee as at Period 10 to 31 January 2017.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the 2016/17 projected underspend of £164,000 for the Policy & Resources Committee as at Period 10 to 31 January 2017; and
- (2) that the Committee note the action taken in respect of the Common Good Budget.

196 General Fund Revenue Budget 2016/17 as at 31 January 2017

196

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the position of the General Fund Revenue Budget as at 31 January 2017 and (2) providing an update on the position of the General Fund Reserves and Earmarked Reserves.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the latest position of the 2016/17 Revenue Budget and General Fund Reserves; and
- (2) that the Committee note that at the meeting on 16 February 2017, the Council approved the use of free reserves to close the 2017/18 Revenue Budget shortfall and one-off project investment.

197 Welfare Reforms Update

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the impact on the Council of the ongoing Welfare Reform changes.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the ongoing impacts and actions being taken by officers in respect of the implementation of Universal Credit within Inverclyde;
- (2) that the Committee note the financial impact on the Homelessness Service caused by the move to Universal Credit and the associated reduction in income;
- (3) that the Committee approve the proposed allocation of the Anti-Poverty Fund and note that specific updates will be provided to the Committee on progress;
- (4) that the Committee otherwise note the contents of the report;
- (5) that a report be submitted to the Committee on the numbers of 18-21 year olds claiming housing benefit, and trends over the next five years, and providing information on what will happen to these young people in the light of their not having automatic entitlement to help with housing costs from April 2017; and
- (6) that the Leader of the Council write to the relevant Cabinet Secretary requesting that consideration be given to the introduction of measures to mitigate the impact on the Homelessness budget arising from the move to Universal Credit.

198 Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy – 2017/18 – 2020/21

198

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2017/21, Treasury Policy limits, a policy on the repayment of Loans Fund advances, the Council's Prudential and Treasury Management Indicators for the next four years and the list of Permitted Investments.

Decided: that the following, as outlined in the report, be remitted to the Inverclyde Council for approval:-

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- (a) Treasury Management Strategy and Annual Investment Strategy;
- (b) Authorised Limits for 2017/21;
- (c) Treasury Management Policy Statement set out in paragraph 5.2 of the report;
- (d) Policy on repayment of Loans Fund advances set out in paragraph 8.2 of the report;
- (e) Treasury Policy Limits;
- (f) Prudential Indicators and Treasury Management Indicators; and
- (g) List of Permitted Investments (including those for the Common Good Fund).

199 SOLACE Improving Local Government Benchmarking Framework 2015/16 199

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy (1) providing details of the Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) 2015/16 data and (2) highlighting Inverclyde's performance across the range of indicators.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note that the LGBF 2015/16 data was published on 27 January 2017; and
- (2) that it be agreed that the information in the appendix to the report be used to form the basis of the Council's public performance reporting on the LGBF 2015/16.

200 Autism Friendly Inverclyde Development 200

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) requesting that the proposed £150,000 funding for Autism Friendly Inverclyde be delegated via the Health & Social Care Partnership to Inverclyde's Autism Implementation Group to fund priority areas of development highlighted within Inverclyde's Autism Strategy and Implementation Plan and (2) informing the Committee of the established multi-partnership Autism Implementation Group, Funding Sub-Group and reporting structure established to take forward the priority areas highlighted within Inverclyde's Autism Strategy.

Decided:

- (1) that the £150,000 proposed funding for Autism Friendly Inverclyde be delegated via the Health & Social Care Partnership to the Inverclyde Autism Implementation Group to fund developments highlighted within Inverclyde's Autism Strategy and Implementation Plan; and
- (2) that a report outlining the developments to be funded with the £150,000 be submitted to the Health & Social Care Committee.

201 Amendment to Riverside Inverclyde (ri) Articles of Association 201

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive seeking Council approval, as one of ri's Members, to minor amendments to the company's Articles of Association. Councillors Clocherty and McCabe declared a non-financial interest in this matter as Board Members of Riverside Inverclyde. They also formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision making process.

Decided: that, as one of ri's two member organisations, Council approval be given to the ri Board's proposal to amend the company's Articles of Association as follows:

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- (a) a minimum of one and maximum of two directors drawn from the local community;
- (b) a minimum of two and maximum of three directors drawn from the private sector; and
- (c) a minimum of one and maximum of two directors nominated by Inverclyde Chamber of Commerce (or any successor to that body).

202 Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act Implementation

202

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy on the implementation of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 providing a summary of the progress in implementing each part of the Act.

Decided: that the Committee note the progress made in delivering the requirements of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

203 Update on the Public Service Improvement Framework (PSIF)

203

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy providing an update on the Council's Public Service Improvement Framework (PSIF) Programme which all services within the Council not governed by a formal self-evaluation framework participate in.

Decided: that the Committee note:-

- (a) that the Council's 2014/16 PSIF Programme is now complete and that each service has produced an Improvement Plan;
- (b) that a new programme of PSIF assessments, as set out in appendix 1, will begin in March 2017 and will be completed by December 2017, the assessments being carried out using the refreshed PSIF model; and
- (c) that a further report on the next phase of the PSIF Programme will be submitted to the Committee in January 2018.

204 Equality Mainstreaming Report and Equality Outcomes

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval of the Equality Mainstreaming Report prior to its publication by 30 April 2017, together with approval of the refreshed Equality Outcomes for 2017-21, both of which are required by the Equality Act 2010.

(Councillor MacLeod left the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the draft Mainstreaming Report;
- (2) that the Committee conditionally approve the draft Equality Outcomes subject to no major amendments being proposed to the Outcomes during the public consultation;
- (3) that final approval of the Equality Outcomes be remitted to the incoming Members of the Policy & Resources Committee at the first meeting following the local government elections in May if major amendments are required following the public consultation exercise; and
- (4) that a briefing for Elected Members on Equality Outcomes be arranged following the local government elections in May.

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- 205** **Communications Strategy** **205**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications on the establishment of a communications strategy for the Council highlighting the broad aims of the Council's communications with residents, employees, trades unions and visitors, the key mechanisms and approaches.
- Decided:** that the Committee approve the contents of the communications strategy set out in appendix 1 to the report.
- 206** **Inverclyde Council Local Negotiating Committee for Teaching Staff** **206**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications (1) advising the Committee of the revised composition and operation of the Local Negotiating Committee for Teaching Staff (LNCT) and (2) requesting the Committee to agree that the four management representatives on the LNCT be officers of the Council rather than Elected Members.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the revised Local Recognition and Procedure Agreement (LNCT01) attached to the report at appendix 1; and
- (2) that it be agreed that the management representatives on the LNCT be officers of the Council rather than Elected Members.
- 207** **Hydro Electric Scheme – Holeburn at Greenock Cut** **207**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services updating the Committee on the proposed development of a Hydro Scheme on the Holeburn at the Greenock Cut in partnership with Scottish Water Horizons.
- Decided:** that the Committee note the position in relation to the project as outlined in the report.
- 208** **Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Scotland) Act 2000 (RIPSA)
Inspection by the Office of Surveillance Commissioners** **208**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) updating the Committee on surveillance carried out by Inverclyde Council employees under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Scotland) Act 2000 (RIPSA) and (2) on the inspection visit by Sir David Clark, Assistant Surveillance Commissioner, the Inspector appointed by the Office of Surveillance Commissioners, on 16 November 2016.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the Inspection Report and the positive outcome of the recent inspection in November 2016;
- (2) that reports on the application of and compliance with the Act be submitted on an annual basis to the Corporate Management Team and once every three years, following the inspection by the Office of Surveillance Commissioners, to the Committee;
- (3) that the Committee approve the amended RIPSA Policy and Procedures set out in appendix 2 to the report;

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(4) that the Committee approve the appointment of Gerard Malone, Head of Legal & Property Services, as its RIPSA Senior Responsible Officer and the appointment of Ruth Binks, Head of Education, and Martin McNab, Acting Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, as Authorising Officers along with the Chief Executive; and

(5) that the Committee note the steps taken to meet the recommendations made by the Inspecting Officer.

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act as are set opposite each item:-

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| Appendix 1 relative to Agenda Item 17 comprising Letter and Inspection Report from the Chief Surveillance Commissioner | 1 and 14 |
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| Update on Employees Released under the Council's Voluntary Severance Scheme | 1 |
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| Tender for Daycare Services | 6 and 8 |
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| 209 | Appendix 1 relative to Agenda Item 17 comprising Letter and Inspection Report from the Chief Surveillance Commissioner | 209 |
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There was submitted appendix 1 relative to agenda item 17 (Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Scotland) Act 2000 (RIPSA) Inspection by the Office of Surveillance Commissioners) comprising letter and inspection report from the Chief Surveillance Commissioner.

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| 210 | Update on Employees Released under the Council's Voluntary Severance Scheme | 210 |
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There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications updating the Committee on the position of releases agreed under the Council's Voluntary Severance Scheme over the period 2016/17.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note that one employee has been released under the Council's Voluntary Severance Scheme as outlined in section 5 of the report; and

(2) that a further report be submitted to the Committee next year updating Members on any employees released under the Council's Voluntary Severance Scheme during 2017/18.

The Convener being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration in terms of the relevant Standing Order to allow, if agreed, the Daycare Services contract to commence in accordance with the timescales as set out in the report. This was agreed unanimously.

211 Tender for Daycare Services

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval as required in terms of the Council's Contract Standing Orders to grant delegated authority to the Head of Legal & Property Services to accept tenders for Daycare Services in order that tenders can be submitted and evaluated and tenders accepted to allow the Daycare Services to commence within the planned timescales as set out in the report.

Decided:

- (1) that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to accept tenders for Daycare Services; and
- (2) that the Committee note the tender strategy, detailed within Section 5 of the report, which includes the relaxation of the Council's normal financial checks.

Following the conclusion of the Committee business, Councillor McCabe expressed his thanks to officers for their contribution and support and extended his best wishes to them for the future.

PLANNING BOARD – 5 APRIL 2017

Planning Board

Wednesday 5 April 2017 at 3.15pm

Present: Councillors Brennan (for Provost Moran), Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McCormick (for McIlwee), Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Head of Regeneration & Planning, Development & Building Standards Manager, Service Manager (Roads), Mr G Leitch (Environmental & Commercial Services), Mr J Kerr (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services).

Prior to the commencement of business, Councillor Wilson extended his best wishes to those Members standing in the forthcoming local government elections and thanked those Members standing down for their service on the Planning Board.

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Board.

212 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 212

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Provost Moran and Councillors McColgan and McIlwee, with Councillor Brennan substituting for Provost Moran and Councillor McCormick substituting for Councillor McIlwee.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

213 PLANNING APPLICATION 213

Erection of 104 flats together with new access road off Ratho Street, car parking and closure of section of MacDougall Street to vehicular traffic from East Hamilton Street (in principle):

Ratho Street/MacDougall Street, Greenock (09/0223/IC)

There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning on an application by Canata and Seggie Chartered Architects for the erection of 104 flats together with new access road off Ratho Street, car parking and closure of section of MacDougall Street to vehicular traffic from East Hamilton Street (in principle) at Ratho Street/MacDougall Street, Greenock (09/0223/IC).

The report recommended that planning permission be refused as the proposal is contrary to Policy ECN1(c) of the Local Development Plan which seeks to safeguard the site for economic mixed use and presumes in favour of new development proposals for business, general industrial and storage and distribution (Use classes 4, 5 and 6).

The meeting adjourned at 3.25pm as the result of a fire alarm and reconvened thereafter at 3.45pm.

After discussion, Councillor Campbell-Sturgess moved that planning permission be refused as the proposal is contrary to Policy ECN1(c) of the Local Development Plan which seeks to safeguard the site for economic mixed use and presumes in favour of new development proposals for business, general industrial and storage and distribution

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(Use classes 4, 5 and 6). As an amendment, Councillor Nelson moved that consideration of the application be continued to the first meeting of the Planning Board following the local government elections on 4 May 2017.

On a vote, 3 Members, Councillors Brooks, Nelson and Wilson, voted for the amendment and 7 Members, Councillors Brennan, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McCormick and Rebecchi voted for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided: that planning permission be refused as the proposal is contrary to Policy ECN1(c) of the Local Development Plan which seeks to safeguard the site for economic mixed use and presumes in favour of new development proposals for business, general industrial and storage and distribution (Use classes 4, 5 and 6).

LOCAL REVIEW BODY – 5 APRIL 2017

Local Review BodyWednesday 5 April 2017 at 4.20pm

Present: Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Ms F Milne (Planning Adviser), Mr J Kerr (Legal Adviser) and Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services).

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Local Review Body.

214 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 214

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Provost Moran and Councillor McColgan.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

215 CONTINUED PLANNING APPLICATION FOR REVIEW 215

**Repainting of south (rear) elevation of flatted villa (in retrospect):
3 Madeira Street, Greenock (16/0196/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the repainting of the south (rear) elevation of the flatted villa (in retrospect) at 3 Madeira Street, Greenock (16/0196/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh, consideration of which had been continued from the meeting held on 1 March 2017 for an unaccompanied site inspection.

Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

After discussion, Councillor Nelson moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted. As an amendment, Councillor Dorrian moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the Appointed Officer's determination) as the dark cream is a bright, modern paint colour that does not have the characteristics of a traditional limewash which may have been used on a house of this period style. The colour used to the banding is also an inappropriately contrasting shade relative to the main dark cream colour. Painting the rear elevation also results in an unexpected, uncoordinated arrangement of external colours within the building and the colours are also at odds with the primarily white and cream tones found within this part of the Conservation Area. The works undertaken therefore do not preserve and enhance the appearance of the Greenock West End Conservation Area and are not appropriate in terms of policies HER1 and RES5 of the Local Development Plan together with Historic Scotland's Policy and Guidance which seeks to preserve the historic environment, and PAN71.

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On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors Dorrian and Rebecchi, voted for the amendment and 3 Members, Councillors Brooks, Jones and Nelson, voted for the motion which was declared carried. Councillor Wilson abstained from voting.

Decided:

- (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted.

Councillor Loughran entered the meeting at this juncture.

216 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW

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**(a) Proposed dwellinghouse and carport:
Vacant Site, Dunvegan Avenue, Gourock (16/0319/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the proposed erection of a dwellinghouse and carport at a vacant site, Dunvegan Avenue, Gourock (16/0319/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

After discussion, Councillor Loughran moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:-

1. that no development shall commence until details of a piped surface system with a discharge rate no higher than greenfield runoff rate have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, development thereafter shall proceed in accordance with the approved piped surface water system, to prevent harm from flooding;
2. that no development shall commence until samples of all external materials have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, development thereafter shall proceed utilising the approved materials unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure a continuity of finishes in this part of Gourock; and
3. that the tree planting detailed in section 4.8 of the Donald Rodger Associates Ltd Arboricultural Consultants Tree Survey and Arboricultural Implication Study, dated November 2016, shall be completed in the first planting season following completion of the dwellinghouse hereby approved and any specimens which in the subsequent 5 years die, become diseased or are damaged shall be replaced in the next planting season with a similar specimen, unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure the continued woodland character of the site.

As an amendment, Councillor Jones moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the Appointed Officer's determination) for the following reasons:-

1. as the proximity of the proposed house to the front boundary of the site is incompatible with the character and amenity of the area, conflicts with the design guidance in the Council's Planning Application Advice Note No 2 (PAAN2) Single Plot Residential Development and thus fails to satisfy criteria (a) and (c) of Local

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Development Plan policy RES1;

2. as the site falls within part of the open space serving the residential development at Dunvegan Avenue and is thus contrary to policy ENV4 of the Local Development Plan which seeks to support, safeguard and, where practicable, enhance areas of open space of value in terms of their amenity to their surroundings.

On a vote, 3 Members, Councillors Jones, Nelson and Rebecchi, voted for the amendment and 4 Members, Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Loughran and Wilson, voted for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided:

(1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and

(2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:-

1. that no development shall commence until details of a piped surface system with a discharge rate no higher than greenfield runoff rate has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, development thereafter shall proceed in accordance with the approved piped surface water system, to prevent harm from flooding;

2. that no development shall commence until samples of all external materials have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, development thereafter shall proceed utilising the approved materials unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure a continuity of finishes in this part of Gourrock; and

3. that the tree planting detailed in section 4.8 of the Donald Rodger Associates Ltd Arboricultural Consultants Tree Survey and Arboricultural Implication Study, dated November 2016, shall be completed in the first planting season following completion of the dwellinghouse hereby approved and any specimens which in the subsequent 5 years die, become diseased or are damaged shall be replaced in the next planting season with a similar specimen, unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure the continued woodland character of the site.

(b) Alterations to and conversion of redundant agricultural buildings, together with associated works to create single residential dwelling with associated curtilage: Migdale, Finlaystone Road, Kilmacolm (16/0227/IC)

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for alterations to and conversion of redundant agricultural buildings, together with associated works to create a single residential dwelling with associated curtilage at Migdale, Finlaystone Road, Kilmacolm (16/0227/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

Mr Kerr referred to new matters raised on behalf of the applicant in the form of Appendix 1 to the Statement of Review (Extract from Inverclyde Local Development Plan Main Issues Report submitted to the Environment & Regeneration Committee on 2 March 2017 on Housing Land Supply in Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village). He asked the Local Review Body whether it wished to have regard to the new matters in determining the application for review of refusal of planning permission in terms of Section 43(B) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997. It was agreed that the Local Review Body consider the new matters and copies of Appendix 1 to the Statement of Review were circulated.

Mr Kerr also referred to new material in respect of the review which had been received

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by the Council on 4 April. He advised that in terms of Regulation 9(4) of the Town & Country Planning (Schemes of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (Scotland) Regulation 2013 all matters which an applicant intends to raise in the review must be set out in the notice of review or in the documents which accompany it and that, in addition to the matters set out in the notice of review and accompanying documents, the applicant can only raise matters in accordance with Regulation 15, being written submissions. He asked the Local Review Body whether it wished to deal with the new material in accordance with Regulation 15 which would require the new material to be the subject of notification to interested parties.

The Local Review Body viewed three animations in relation to the proposals which had been submitted by the applicant with the notice of review.

After discussion, Councillor Rebecchi moved that (1) sufficient information had not been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that consideration of the application be continued to the first meeting of the Local Review Body following the local government elections on 4 May 2017. As an amendment, Councillor Wilson moved that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure and that the Local Review Body determine the review.

On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors Jones and Wilson, voted for the amendment and 5 Members, Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Loughran, Nelson and Rebecchi, voted for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that sufficient information had not been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that consideration of the application be continued to the first meeting of the Local Review Body following the local government elections on 4 May 2017