

Policy and Resources Executive Sub-CommitteeWednesday 1 November 2017 at 2pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Clocherty, McCabe, Robertson and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor McCabe presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services), Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

604 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 604

No apologies for absence were intimated.

Councillors McCabe and Wilson declared an interest in the second additional agenda item (Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill).

605 Oxfam Scotland and Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) in Scotland: Rohingya Crisis Appeal – Request by Councillor McCabe 605

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a request received from Councillor McCabe in relation to the Oxfam Scotland Rohingya Crisis Appeal and the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) in Scotland emergency appeal for people fleeing Myanmar.

Decided: that the Council agree to make a donation of £10,000 to the DEC emergency appeal for people fleeing Myanmar, to be funded from the Contingency Earmarked Reserve.

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 Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders, if agreed by the Sub-Committee, to be implemented timeously. This was agreed unanimously.

606 Policing of Remembrance Sunday Parades 606

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval (1) for the implementation of Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders on 12 November 2017 to allow Remembrance Day parades to be appropriately policed at various locations within Inverclyde and (2) for the Council to absorb the costs of implementation.

Decided:

(1) that the Sub-Committee agree to the implementation of Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders at the six locations within Inverclyde where Remembrance Day

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parades are scheduled to take place on 12 November, as set out in Appendix 2 to the report;

(2) that the Council meet the relevant costs of implementing the Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders this year only, the advertising costs to be met from the Common Good Fund; and

(3) that, in the light of the correspondence from the Assistant Chief Constable of Police Scotland advising that in future it will require Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders to be in place for all pre-planned events regardless of size, location or nature of the event, it be remitted to the Chief Executive to raise the matter at a national level with CoSLA and that, once clarity has been established, a report be submitted in due course to the relevant Committee to enable the Council to consider the wider ramifications and how these may be addressed.

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 Council to submit a response to the call for evidence in relation to the Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill, if agreed by the Sub-Committee. This was agreed unanimously.

607 Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) outlining the implications of the Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill and (2) seeking approval of the terms of the Council's response to the call for evidence as set out in the report.

Councillor McCabe declared a non-financial interest in this matter as a Board Member of River Clyde Homes and Councillor Wilson declared non-financial interest as a Director of Link Housing Association and as a Director of Larkfield Housing 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 Sub-Committee note the terms of the report; and

(2) that approval be given to the response to the call for evidence as detailed in Section 7.1 of the report and include the following response to point 4 on any other issues relating to the Bill the Council would wish to bring to the attention of the Scottish Parliament's Local Government & Communities Committee "It should be noted that Elected Members nominated by the Council to serve on an RSL Board act in the interest of the RSL."