

ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 5 OCTOBER 2017

Environment & Regeneration Committee

Thursday 5 October 2017 at 3pm

Present: Provost Brennan (for Councillor Clocherty), Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Crowther, Curley, Jackson, Dorrian (for McCabe), McCormick, J McEleny, McKenzie and Nelson.

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services), Ms M McCabe (for Chief Financial Officer), Finance Manager (Environment & Technical), Acting Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Ms E Provan (Environmental & Commercial Services), Head of Regeneration & Planning and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

537 **Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest** 537

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Clocherty, with Provost Brennan substituting, and Councillor McCabe, with Councillor Dorrian substituting.

Councillors McKenzie and Nelson declared an interest in agenda item 4 (P1 Powerboat Scottish Grand Prix of the Sea).

538 **Glasgow City Deal – Outline Business Case Submission** 538

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to submit the Outline Business Cases for both Greenock Ocean Terminal and Inverkip to the City Deal Cabinet.

The Head of Regeneration & Planning advised the Committee that the wording at paragraph 5.26 of the report should read “incl. Optimum Bias incl. Optimism Bias” rather than “incl. Optimum Bias excl. Optimism Bias.”

Decided:

- (1) that the Outline Business Cases for Greenock Ocean Terminal and Inverkip be submitted to the City Deal Cabinet;
- (2) that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to continue to work with the project specific private sector partners in development of the Final Business Cases for Greenock Ocean Terminal and Inverkip; and
- (3) that the Committee note the offer of £1.5m from the Dunard Fund in respect of the Building for Ocean Terminal subject to inclusion of a permanent exhibition space for the George Wyllie Collection.

539 **Town and Village Centres – Environmental Improvements** 539

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) updating the Committee on progress made on the environmental improvements within Town and Village Centres across Inverclyde and (2) on the

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distribution of Community Spend Funds across the Town and Village Centres.

Decided: that approval be given to the direct award of grant funding by the Council, or Riverside Inverclyde on the Council's behalf, to Community Councils in respect of community spend as referred to in the report and subject to the projects being of a scale where delivery through Riverside Inverclyde is not cost effective.

540 P1 Powerboat Scottish Grand Prix of the Sea

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) highlighting the success of the 2017 P1 Scottish Grand Prix of the Sea powerboat event and (2) recommending that the Council co-host the event in 2018.

Councillors McKenzie and Nelson 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.

After discussion, Councillor McKenzie moved that the opportunity to host the 2018 P1 Scottish Grand Prix of the Sea be declined. As an amendment, Councillor McCormick moved that the Council enter into a 50/50 co-hosting agreement with Riverside Inverclyde to co-host the P1 Scottish Grand Prix of the Sea event in 2018 and that funds be reallocated from an existing earmarked reserve for tourism and events. On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors Ahlfeld and McKenzie, voted for the motion and 9 Members, Provost Brennan and Councillors Brooks, Crowther, Curley, Dorrian, Jackson, McCormick, J McEleny and Nelson, voted for the amendment which was declared carried.

Decided: that the Council enter into a 50/50 co-hosting agreement with Riverside Inverclyde to co-host the P1 Scottish Grand Prix of the Sea event in 2018 and that funds be reallocated from an existing earmarked reserve for tourism and events.

541 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order: Bearhope Street, Greenock One Way Operation

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the outcome of the consultation procedure undertaken for the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) associated with the proposal to make Bearhope Street, Greenock one way, The Inverclyde Council, Bearhope Street, Greenock (One Way and Prohibition of Right Turn) Order 2016, and (2) requesting the Committee to decide whether it would wish to hear the maintained objection in relation to the TRO at a special meeting of the Committee or to appoint an independent Reporter.

Decided: that the Committee note the requirement to hold a public hearing to consider the maintained objection in relation to The Inverclyde Council, Bearhope Street, Greenock (One Way and Prohibition of Right Turn) Order 2016 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to make the necessary arrangements for the public hearing at a special meeting of the Environment & Regeneration Committee.

542 Request for a New Street Name at Kirn Drive, Gourrock

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval of a street name for a new development off Kirn Drive, Gourrock.

Decided: that the new street off Kirn Drive, Gourrock be named Kirn Gardens.