#### **Environment & Regeneration Committee**

#### Thursday 8 March 2018 at 3pm

**Present:** Councillors Ahlfeld, Wilson (for Brooks), Clocherty, Crowther, Curley, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, Robertson (for J McEleny), McKenzie and Nelson.

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

**In attendance:** Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services), Ms M McCabe (for Chief Financial Officer), Acting Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Service Manager (Roads), Head of Regeneration & Planning and Technical Services Manager.

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

## 164 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Brooks, with Councillor Wilson substituting, and Councillor J McEleny, with Councillor Robertson substituting.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:-

Agenda Item 4 (Riverside Inverclyde – Project Update) – Councillors Clocherty and McKenzie:

Agenda Item 5 (Inverclyde Local Development Plan Proposed Plan) – Councillor Wilson;

Agenda Item 6 (Consultation – Glasgow Airport: Modernising Our Flightpaths) – Councillor Wilson;

Agenda Item 13 (Award of Contracts for Employability Services) – Councillors Ahlfeld and Robertson.

## 165 Inverclyde Local Development Plan Proposed Plan

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan Proposed Plan and accompanying documents for public consultation.

Councillor Wilson declared a non-financial interest in this item as Vice-Chair of Clydeplan. 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 Nelson entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

**Decided:** that consideration of the matter be continued to enable an All Members' Briefing to be arranged within the next two weeks, prior to a special meeting of the Committee, to be held on a date to be arranged in consultation with the Convener before the end of March.

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## 166 Environment & Regeneration Revenue Budget 2017/18 – Period 9 (31 December 2017)

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the position of the Revenue Budget 2017/18 as at Period 9 to 31 December 2017.

#### Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £142,000 for 2017/18 as at 31 December 2017 as set out in the report and note that the decision by the Crisis Resilience Management Team to allocate £40,000 of this underspend for emergency pothole works will reduce this underspend to £102,000; and
- (2) that the Committee note the current projected spend on winter maintenance and the projected use of the winter maintenance earmarked reserve.

#### 167 Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme 2017/18 to 2019/20 – Progress

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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 Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme and (2) highlighting the overall financial position.

#### Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current position of the 2017/20 Capital Programme and the progress of the specific projects detailed in Appendices 1 and 2; and
- (2) that the Committee note and approve the additional expenditure on the Greenock Municipal Buildings District Court Offices and the William Street (former Education HQ) Offices projects and the utilisation of the Asset Management Plan (AMP) Capital Programme/Model Contingency as set out in paragraph 6.9 of the report.

#### 168 Riverside Inverclyde – Project Update

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on Riverside Inverclyde's progress relating to the regeneration projects within Port Glasgow, Greenock and Gourock.

Councillors Clocherty and McKenzie declared a non-financial interest in this item 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 the Committee note the progress to date and that further progress reports will be submitted for Members' information and consideration in due course.

## 169 Consultation – Glasgow Airport: Modernising Our Flightpaths

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the publication of a consultation concerning the changing of flightpaths into and out of Glasgow Airport "Glasgow Airport – Modernising Our Flightpaths" and seeking approval of a response on behalf of the Council.

Councillor Wilson declared a non-financial interest in this item as a member of Glasgow Airport Consultative Committee. 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 Council's response to the consultation as set out in the report.

#### 170 West of Scotland Loan Fund

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) providing an update on the current status of the West of Scotland Loan Fund Limited (WSLF) and (2) seeking approval to amend the Articles of Association.

#### Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the content of the report and the current status of the West of Scotland Loan Fund Limited; and
- (2) that approval be given to the proposal to amend the WSLF Articles of Association to enable individual member authorities to make decisions on the remaining funding within the WSLF.

#### 171 A78 Trunk Road, Inverkip, Road Safety

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the outcome of discussions with officials from Transport Scotland in respect of road safety on the A78 trunk road at Inverkip.

#### Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the outcome of discussions with officials from Transport Scotland in respect of road safety on the A78 trunk road at Inverkip; and
- (2) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to seek regular meetings with Transport Scotland, involving Elected Members, to discuss a variety of issues in relation to road safety.

# 172 Environmental & Commercial Services (Roads) – Proposed RAMP/Capital 1 Programme for 2018/19

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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 2018/19 using 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 2018/19 RAMP/Capital and CWSS grant aided roads related projects as set out in the report 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.

#### 173 LED Strategy – Design Procedures

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the procedures adopted during the design of the LED replacement strategy.

**Decided:** that the Committee note the procedures adopted during the design of the LED replacement strategy.

Councillor Robertson left the meeting following consideration of this item of business.

#### 174 Proposed 20mph Speed Limit Zone – Request by Councillor C McEleny

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a request by Councillor C McEleny on proposals for a 20mph speed limit zone on a number of streets in Gourock and the roll out of 20mph zones to other parts of Inverclyde.

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

#### Decided:

- (1) that the request from Councillor C McEleny be noted; and
- (2) that it be remitted to officers to develop a road safety strategy and to submit a report on the strategy to the Committee with recommendations as to how to improve road safety, including priorities and financial implications.

## 175 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Persons' Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 1 2018

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending the making of a Traffic Regulation Order to accompany the provision of parking bays for the disabled.

**Decided:** that the Inverciyde Council be recommended to make the Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Persons' Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 1 2018 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for implementation of the Order.

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)
Award of Contracts for Employability Services	6 & 8
Commercial and Industrial Portfolio Information – Scheme of Delegation Register	2, 6 & 9
Broomhill Way, Greenock – Lease Renewal	2, 6 & 9
John Wood Street, Port Glasgow – Lease Renewal	2, 6 & 9

#### 176 Award of Contracts for Employability Services

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for the award of contracts for Employability Services to be delivered from 1 April 2018.

Councillors Ahlfeld and Robertson declared a non-financial interest in this item as members of Inverclyde Community Development Trust. 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 approval be given to the award of contracts to the organisations listed in Appendix 1 to the report for the delivery of Employability Services from 1 April 2018.

#### 177 Commercial and Industrial Portfolio Information – Scheme of Delegation Register

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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 portfolio for the period January to December 2017.

**Decided:** that the Committee note the terms of the report.

### 178 Broomhill Way, Greenock – Lease Renewal

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to enter into a lease renewal of premises at Broomhill Way, Greenock.

Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.

### 179 John Wood Street, Port Glasgow – Lease Renewal

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval (1) to grant a lease renewal of premises at John Wood Street, Port Glasgow and (2) for recurring rental payments to continue to be met by the Common Good Fund.

Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in appendix.