

AGENDA ITEM NO: 11

Report To: The Environment and

Regeneration Committee

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Report By: The Corporate Director,

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Resources

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Subject: Save Inchgreen Dry Dock Campaign

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee of a remit to the Corporate Director, Environment, Regeneration & Resources from the Petitions Committee and that a further more detailed report will be brought to the Committee in due course.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 At the meeting of 17 May 2018, the Petitions Committee considered a petition submitted by Mr Robert Buirds of the Save Inchgreen Dry Dock Campaign, and decided that it be remitted to the Corporate Director, Environment, Regeneration & Resources to bring a detailed report to this Committee on the matters outlined below.
- 2.2 Officers are in the process of gathering and reviewing the necessary information to bring such report to the Committee in due course.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the position as detailed in this report and that this matter will be reported on further to a future meeting of the Committee.

Scott Allan Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration and Resources.

4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 At the Petitions Committee meeting of 17 May 2018, the Petitions Committee considered a petition from Robert Buirds on behalf of the Campaign to Save Inchgreeen Dry Dock, seeking Council support for the principle of bringing Inchgreen Dry Dock into public or community ownership.
- 4.2 The decision of the Petitions Committee on the matter was that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to submit a more detailed report to this Committee:
 - (a).on Peel Ports' ownership of the Inchgreen area and any other areas at Inverclyde Waterfront; and
 - (b). exploring any opportunities in current and future Scottish legislation relative to options for public or community ownership of the Inchgreen site,
 - taking into account the information and observations provided by the Campaign to save Inchgreen Dry Dock and by Peel Ports.
- 4.3 Officers have contacted Peel Land and Property Ltd and Peel Ports Clydeport seeking confirmation of the extent of their respective ownerships. Officers have also written to the Scottish Government seeking clarification of their position on the possible exercise of compulsory purchase powers by them in relation to this site. Whilst some responses have been recently received, officers require responses from all 3 and an opportunity to evaluate and review the same, prior to the preparation a further more detailed report to the Committee in terms of the above remit.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

Finance

5.1 None from this report.

Legal

5.2 None from this report.

Human Resources

5.3 None from this report.

Equalities

5.4 None from this report.

Repopulation

5.5 None from this report.