

**LOCAL POLICE & FIRE SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE – 7 JUNE 2018**

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**Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Sub-Committee**

**Thursday 7 June 2018 at 2.30pm**

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Clocherty, Curley, MacLeod, McCabe, J McEleny (for C McEleny), McVey, Murphy, Quinn and Robertson.

**Chair:** Councillor Clocherty presided.

**In attendance:** Head of Environmental & Public Protection, Service Manager (Community Learning & Development, Community Safety & Resilience and Sport), Team Leader (Social Regeneration & Community Resilience), Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services) and Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities.

**In attendance also:** Chief Superintendent G Crossan, Superintendent D Leitch and T/Chief Inspector L Harvie (Police Scotland), Area Manager G Binning and Station Manager M Meehan (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service).

Prior to the commencement of business, reference was made by the Convener and a number of other Members to recent attacks on both Fire & Rescue and Police personnel in Inverclyde and in particular to the incident on 1 June which had resulted in serious injury to two Police Officers, Constables Kenny MacKenzie and Laura Sayer. Councillor Clocherty stated that these recent incidents served to highlight the dangers faced by Police and Fire & Rescue personnel on a daily basis in undertaking their duties.

Chief Superintendent Crossan provided the Sub-Committee with an update on the condition of both Officers during which he paid tribute to NHS staff, members of the community who had assisted at the scene and the other Police Officers who had responded to the incident. He also provided information on the planned deployment of tasers in Renfrewshire and Inverclyde as part of a national initiative.

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

**357      Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest      357**

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

No declarations of interest were intimated.

**358      Police Scotland Performance Report      358**

There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of Police Scotland during the reporting period April 2017 – February 2018.

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

During the course of discussion of this item, Chief Superintendent Crossan advised that he was proposing to make a number of changes to the style of the Police performance

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report and he confirmed that this would be circulated in advance to Members, for their views.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the information contained in the report and appendices be noted;
- (2) that information be provided to Members on the various categories of hate crime recorded;
- (3) that a report be submitted on the joint work undertaken in relation to tackling crime “hotspots”, including information on past initiatives and future plans; and
- (4) that future performance reports include separately recorded information on prison and custody suite assaults.

**359 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Performance Report****359**

There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service during the reporting period 1 March to 31 March 2018.

**Decided:** that the information contained in the report and appendices be noted.

**THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL – 7 JUNE 2018**

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**The Inverclyde Council**

**Thursday 7 June 2018 at 4pm**

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty, Crowther, Curley, Dorrian, Jackson, MacLeod, McCabe, McCormick, C McEleny, J McEleny, McKenzie, McVey, Moran, Murphy, Nelson, Quinn, Rebecchi, Robertson and Wilson.

**Chair:** Provost Brennan presided.

**In attendance:** Chief Executive, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Legal & Property Services, Legal Services Manager (Litigation, Licensing & Committee Services), Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications, Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities and Corporate Policy, Performance & Partnership Manager.

**In attendance also:** Mr T Yule, Audit Scotland.

Prior to commencement of business, the Provost referred to the incident in Greenock on Friday 1 June 2018 during which two Police Officers, PCs Kenny MacKenzie and Laura Sayer, had been seriously injured. He paid tribute to the two Officers and to other serving Police and Fire and Rescue personnel, including local firefighter Andy Adams, injured in the line of duty.

Thereafter Reverend Alan Sorensen opened the proceedings of the Council with a prayer.

**360      Apologies and Declarations of Interest      360**

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

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

**361      Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Sub-Committee – 12 April 2018      361**

**Approved** on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.

**362      The Inverclyde Council – 12 April 2018      362**

**Approved** on the motion of Provost Brennan.

**363      Audit Committee – 24 April 2018      363**

**Approved** on the motion of Councillor Rebecchi.

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<b>364</b>	<b>Health &amp; Social Care Committee – 26 April 2018</b>	<b>364</b>
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Moran.	
<b>365</b>	<b>Local Review Body – 2 May 2018</b>	<b>365</b>
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Nelson.	
<b>366</b>	<b>Environment &amp; Regeneration Committee – 3 May 2018</b>	<b>366</b>
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.	
<b>367</b>	<b>Education &amp; Communities Committee – 8 May 2018</b>	<b>367</b>
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.	
<b>368</b>	<b>General Purposes Board – 9 May 2018</b>	<b>368</b>
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Quinn.	
<b>369</b>	<b>Petitions Committee – 17 May 2018</b>	<b>369</b>
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McVey.	
<b>370</b>	<b>Policy &amp; Resources Committee – 22 May 2018</b>	<b>370</b>
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.	
<b>371</b>	<b>Planning Board – 6 June 2018</b>	<b>371</b>
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Nelson.	
<b>372</b>	<b>Local Review Body – 6 June 2018</b>	<b>372</b>
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson.	
<b>373</b>	<b>Administrative Arrangements: Committee Remits and Delegations</b>	<b>373</b>
	There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services presenting a number of necessary changes to the Council's Scheme of Administration and Scheme of Delegation (Officers) following its decision on 22 February 2018 to approve changes to the Council's Committee and Senior Management Structures.	
	<b>Decided:</b>	
	(1) that approval be given to the changes to the Standing Orders and Scheme of Administration as set out in Appendix 1 to the report;	
	(2) that approval be given to the changes to the Scheme of Delegation (Officers) as set out in Appendix 2; and	

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(3) that the following Members be appointed to the Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Committee:

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| (1) Councillor McVey (Convener)      | (7) Councillor MacLeod   |
| (2) Councillor Quinn (Vice-Convener) | (8) Councillor J McEleny |
| (3) Councillor Clocherty             | (9) Councillor Moran     |
| (4) Councillor Crowther              | (10) Councillor Murphy   |
| (5) Councillor Curley                | (11) Councillor Wilson   |
| (6) Councillor Jackson               |                          |

**374 Administrative Arrangements: Cycle of Council, Committee, Sub-Committee and Board Meetings to June 2019 374**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources setting out for approval the schedule of Committee cycles for the period to June 2019.

**Decided:** that approval be given to the proposed cycle of Council/Committee/Sub-Committee/Board meetings for the year to June 2019 as set out in the report and appendix.

**375 Inverclyde Council Corporate Plan 2018/22 375**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive appending the new Inverclyde Council Corporate Plan 2018/22.

**Decided:** that approval be given to the Inverclyde Council Corporate Plan 2018/22 as appended to the report.

**376 Financial Strategy 2018/25 – Update 376**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer appending the updated Financial Strategy for review and approval.

**Decided:** that approval be given to the latest version of the Financial Strategy as appended to the report.

**377 Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 – Asset Transfer Report 377**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services seeking approval of the appended Asset Transfer Report, in terms of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

**Decided:** that approval be given to the terms of the Asset Transfer Report set out in Appendix 1.

**378 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council, Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 4 2017 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 378**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 3 May 2018 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 4 2017.

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**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 2017 and that the Head of Environmental & Public Protection and the Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

**379 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Port Glasgow, Kilmacolm & Quarriers Village) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 5) Order 2018 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 379**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 3 May 2018 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Port Glasgow, Kilmacolm & Quarriers Village) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 5) Order 2018.

**Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Port Glasgow, Kilmacolm & Quarriers Village) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 5) Order 2018 and that the Head of Environmental & Public Protection and the Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

**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 minutes.**

**Appendices to Minutes**

**380 Environment & Regeneration Committee – 3 May 2018 380**

**Approved** on the motion of Councillor McCormick.

**381 Education & Communities Committee – 8 May 2018 381**

**Approved** on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.

**382 General Purposes Board – 9 May 2018 382**

**Approved** on the motion of Councillor Quinn.

**383 Policy & Resources Committee – 22 May 2018 383**

**Approved** on the motion of Councillor McCabe.

**GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 13 JUNE 2018**

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**General Purposes Board**

**Wednesday 13 June 2018 at 3pm**

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Brooks, Crowther, Curley, Dorrian, Jackson, J McEleny, Macleod and Quinn.

**Chair:** Councillor Dorrian presided.

**In attendance:** Mr D Keenan (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services) and Sergeant J Hay (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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| <b>384</b> | <b>Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest</b>   | <b>384</b> |
|            | Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Ahlfeld and Moran.   |            |
|            | No declarations of interest were intimated.  |            |
|            | <b>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.</b> |            |
| <b>385</b> | <b>Application for Renewal of Taxi Driver's Licence</b>  | <b>385</b> |
|            | There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence which was refused, all as detailed in the appendix.   |            |
| <b>386</b> | <b>Application for Renewal of Taxi Driver's Licence</b>  | <b>386</b> |
|            | There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence which was refused, all as detailed in the appendix.   |            |
| <b>387</b> | <b>Application for Renewal of Taxi Driver's Licence</b>  | <b>387</b> |
|            | There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence which the Board agreed to continue to the September meeting of the Board, all as detailed in the appendix.  |            |
| <b>388</b> | <b>Application for Taxi Driver's Licence</b>   | <b>388</b> |
|            | There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence which was refused, all as detailed in the appendix.  |            |

**389 Application for Temporary Public Entertainment Licence****389**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for a Temporary Public Entertainment Licence which was granted, all as detailed in the appendix.



**APPOINTMENT PANEL – CORPORATE DIRECTOR EDUCATION, COMMUNITIES  
& ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

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**Appointment Panel**

**Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development  
Thursday 14 June 2018 at 11am**

**Present:** Councillors G Brooks, J Clocherty, S McCabe, C McEleny, L Quinn, E Robertson and Mr A Fawcett, Chief Executive.

**Present also:** Mr S McNab, Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications (Adviser to Panel).

**Chair:** Councillor McCabe presided.

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

**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 the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.**

**390      Shortlisting and Arrangements for Interview of Applicants – Post of Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development      390**

There were submitted copies of applications received from 10 candidates for the post of Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development. The Panel decided to call a shortlist of four candidates for interview and thereafter to make an appointment, all as detailed in the appendix.

**PLANNING BOARD – 14 JUNE 2018**

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**Planning Board**

**Thursday 14 June 2018 at 2pm**

**Present:** Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Dorrian, J McEleny, McKenzie, McVey, Moran, Murphy, Rebecchi and Wilson.

**Chair:** Councillor Wilson presided.

**In attendance:** Head of Regeneration and Planning, Development and Building Standards Manager, Mr G Leitch and Ms E Provan (Environmental and Commercial Services), Mr J Kerr (for Head of Legal and Property Services) and Ms K Macvey (Legal and Property Services).

**391 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**391**

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

Councillors Wilson and Clocherty declared an interest in Agenda Item 2 (Pre-Determination Hearing).

**392 PRE-DETERMINATION HEARING**

**392**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration and Planning on an application by Gladman Developments Ltd for a proposed residential development with access, open space, landscaping and associated works (in principle) at Land at Knapps and North Denniston, Bridge of Weir Road, Kilmacolm (17/0403/IC).

Councillor Wilson declared a non-financial interest in this matter as (a) the Vice Chair of Clydeplan (Glasgow and the Clyde Valley Strategic Development Planning Authority), having prior to the Hearing sought and received legal advice in relation to the Councillors' Code of Conduct, paragraphs 7.6 and 7.7; and (b) one of the organisers of the Kilmacolm bonfire and fireworks display which necessitated him seeking permissions from the landowner. He formed the view that the nature of both of these interests and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence or his participation in the consideration of this item.

Councillor Clocherty declared a non-financial interest in this matter as a member of Clydeplan. He formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence or his participation in the consideration of this item.

The Chair referred to the Pre-Determination Hearing Procedure included with the agenda papers, which, for the benefit of those present, Mr Kerr read aloud.

The Chair then invited the objectors who had indicated they wished to address the Board to speak and the Board heard presentations from:-

(a) Mr Douglas Martin on behalf of Kilmacolm Civic Trust (objector) – issues raised: the principle of development in the Green Belt; the impact on the existing open space and natural environment; Inverclyde Local Development Plan policies and Clydeplan Strategic Development Plan policies; the Sub-Housing Market Area; the potential negative impact on the character of the area; visual impact; the current density, layout

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and architecture of adjoining properties; the sense of place and distinctive gateway; flooding risk and surface flooding events; absence of detail within the Flood Risk Assessment; sustainability concerns; impact on public transport; potential pressure on car parking; ecological impact on migrating geese and other wildlife; and lack of ecological information.

(b) Ms Frances Hughes on behalf of Kilmacolm Residents Association (objector) – issues raised: the land supply within the Renfrewshire Housing Market Area; Clydeplan Strategic Development Plan policies; the high number of objections to the proposal; the importance of the area as a community amenity; the iconic entrance to the village; the beauty of the surrounding area and migrating geese.

(c) Mr Mike Jefferis on behalf of Kilmacolm Community Council (objector) – issues raised: 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan and 2018 Proposed Inverclyde Local Development Plan policies; the timing of the pre-application consultation and planning application; the outcome of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan community consultation; the availability of brownfield and infill sites; the current local housing market; the significance of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan Spatial Strategy; the windfall site classification; the current and proposed planning policies on Green Belt and Countryside; visual impact; the identity of the village; the effect on the character and setting of the Conservation Area; sustainable development; impact on infrastructure; potential increase in private car traffic and the diversity of existing house types.

The Head of Regeneration and Planning then referred to his report and recommendation to the Board.

Thereafter Members asked questions which were answered by the Head of Regeneration and Planning, Mr G Leitch, Team Leader, Consultancy, Roads, and Mr J Kerr, Solicitor, Legal and Property Services.

**Decided:** that the Planning Board recommend to the Inverclyde Council that the application be refused for the following reasons:-

(1) the proposed development is contrary to the Spatial Development Strategy of the 2017 Clydeplan Strategic Development Plan as it is an unjustified urban development which fails to accord with the Green Belt objectives in that it does not protect the quality, character, landscape setting and identity of the village;

(2) the proposal is contrary to Policies ENV2 and SDS8 of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan together with Policy 14 of the 2018 Proposed Inverclyde Local Development Plan in that it fails to accord with the objectives of the Green Belt;

(3) the proposal fails in respect of Policy RES1 of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan with reference to the incompatibility with the character and amenity of the area (criterion (a)) and in respect of landscaping proposals and impact on existing landscape features (criteria (b) and (c));

(4) the proposal fails to have regard to the six qualities of successful places as required by Policy 1 of the 2017 Clydeplan Strategic Development Plan and Policy 1 of the 2018 Proposed Inverclyde Local Development Plan. The proposal is also contrary to the placemaking aims of Policy SDS3 of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan;

(5) the proposal is not a form of residential development in the Green Belt supported by Policy RES7 of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan; and

(6) the proposal is contrary to Policy HER1 of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan and Policy 28 of the Proposed 2018 Inverclyde Local Development Plan in that there would be a significant and unacceptable impact on the setting and appearance of the Conservation Area.

**HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE COMMITTEE – 18 JUNE 2018**

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**Health & Social Care Committee****Wednesday 18 June 2018 at 12 noon**

**Present:** Councillors Brooks, Jackson, MacLeod, McCabe, Crowther (for C McEleny), Moran, Quinn, Rebecchi and Robertson.

**Chair:** Councillor Moran presided.

**In attendance:** Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Head of Children's Services & Criminal Justice, Head of Strategy & Support Services, Head of Health & Community Care, Team Lead (Quality & Development Service), Ms G Murphy (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Ms A Edmiston (for Chief Financial Officer) and Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications).

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

**393 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 393**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Dorrian, C McEleny, with Councillor Crowther substituting, and McKenzie.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

**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 item on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 6, 8 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.**

**394 Non Care Home Providers – Living Wage 394**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership making recommendations in respect of the uplift to be applied to non care home providers' rates to meet the Living Wage commitment.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee approve Option 3 as set out in the report as the uplift to be applied to all providers regardless of current salary scales, in line with the decision taken in 2017/18;
- (2) that the Committee approve that the increased payment be backdated to 1 April 2018; and
- (3) that the Committee note that the report will be remitted to the Inverclyde Integration Joint Board and that the £330,000 cost will be added to the 2018/19 Council contribution to the Integration Joint Board.

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**EDUCATION AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 19 JUNE 2018**


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**Education and Communities Committee**
**Tuesday 19 June 2018 at 4pm**

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Clocherty, Curley, Crowther (for MacLeod), McCabe, C McEleny, McVey, Murphy, Quinn, and Robertson, Rev. D Burt and Mrs F Gilpin, Church Representatives, Ms A McMillan, Parent Representative and Ms P McEwan, Teacher Representative.

**Chair:** Councillor Clocherty presided.

**In attendance:** Head of Education, Early Years Manager, Head of Environmental & Public Protection, Ms G Murphy (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Mr I Cameron (for Chief Financial Officer), Education & Exchequer Finance Manager, Property Services Manager and Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications).

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

**395      Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest      395**

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor MacLeod, with Councillor Crowther substituting.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

**396      Revised Financial Submission to Increase Early Learning and Childcare to 1140 Hours      396**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Education advising the Committee of the revised plan for the increase of early learning and childcare from 600 to 1140 hours.

During the course of discussion on this item, 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 to allow the Committee to discuss the lease arrangements in respect of Gourrock YAC building, on the grounds that the discussion would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 9 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act. Thereafter, the Committee resumed consideration of the matter in public session.

**Decided:**

- (1) that it be agreed that the revised plan as set out in the report be implemented in line with funding allocations;
- (2) that the changes in the early phase projects for 2018/19 be noted;
- (3) that regular update reports be submitted to the Committee throughout the implementation of the plan; and
- (4) that a report be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee on the lease arrangements in respect of the Gourrock YAC building and the implications of the proposals on the operation of the football club at that location.

Prior to the commencement of the Communities items of business, Rev. Burt, Mrs

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Gilpin and Ms McEwan left the meeting. Ms McMillan remained as an observer.

**397 Indoor Bowling Facility Works****397**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Environmental & Public Protection (1) informing the Committee of developments in respect of Inverclyde Indoor Bowling and (2) seeking Committee approval for Inverclyde Leisure to carry out works.

**Decided:**

- (1) that approval be given to the procurement by Inverclyde Leisure of a new carpet and lighting system for Inverclyde Indoor Bowling;
- (2) that approval be given to any remaining balance in the earmarked reserve being spent on further improvements to the facility, subject to officer agreement; and
- (3) that the position relative to the transfer of the facility to Inverclyde Leisure be noted.

**398 Grants to Voluntary Organisations****398**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Environmental & Public Protection requesting the Committee to approve the removal of a clause relating to a turnover cap from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Guidance Notes.

**Decided:** that approval be given to the removal of the clause relating to a turnover cap from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Guidance Notes.

## GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE – 20 JUNE 2018

Grants Sub-CommitteeWednesday 20 June 2018 at 2pm

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, MacLeod, J McEleny and Murphy.

**Chair:** Councillor Brooks presided.

**In attendance:** Service Manager, Community Learning & Development, Community Safety & Resilience and Sport, Ms J Fallon (Community Learning & Development), Mr P MacDonald (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services).

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

**399 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 399**

No apologies for absence were intimated.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 2 (Port Glasgow Voluntary Transport) – Councillor MacLeod.

Agenda Item 2 (Gourock Heritage and Arts) – Councillor Ahlfeld.

Agenda Item 2 (Home Start Renfrewshire and Inverclyde) – Councillor J McEleny.

**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 item on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 4 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.**

**400 Grants to Voluntary Organisations 2018/19 400**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities providing details of the applications received for consideration for funding from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Budget in 2018/19.

Councillor MacLeod declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Trustee of Port Glasgow Voluntary Transport, Councillor Ahlfeld declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Trustee of Gourock Heritage & Arts and Councillor J McEleny declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Trustee of Home Start Renfrewshire & Inverclyde. All three Councillors 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.

During the course of discussion on this item, the Service Manager, Community Learning & Development, Community Safety & Resilience and Sport advised Members that a report would be submitted to the September meeting of the Education and Communities Committee on the outcome of the first round of grants 2018/19 which would include a recommendation for a review of the Grants to Voluntary Organisations scheme by

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officers and that thereafter an All Members Briefing be arranged.

**Decided:**

(1) that grants be made to voluntary organisations as follows:

<b>Group</b>	<b>Award</b>
Gourock Heritage and Arts	£4,750 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Greenock Art Club	£4,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Greenock Light Opera Club	£1,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Greenock Philharmonic Society	£500 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Hillend Art Club	£500 (subject to the conditions detailed in the appendix to the report)
Inverclyde Juvenile Pipe Band	£3,000 (subject to the conditions detailed in the appendix to the report)
Inverclyde Music Festival Association	£4,750 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Inverclyde Pipes and Drums	£3,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Inverclyde Youth Theatre	£2,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Kilmacolm Art Class	£1,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Renfrew Speakers Club	£635 (subject to the conditions detailed in the appendix to the report)
Stedfast Silver Band	£715 (subject to the conditions detailed in the appendix to the report)
Thistle Theatre Company	£2,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Gourock Bowling Club	£2,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Gourock Park Bowling Club	£2,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Grosvenor Bowling Club	£2,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Hillend Bowling Club	£1,500 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Inverkip Bowling Club	£1,500 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Port Glasgow Bowling Club	Nil
Port Glasgow Bowling Club	£2,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Port Glasgow Bowling Club	£4,000 (conditional as detailed in the appendix to the report)
Rankin Park Bowling Club	£781.88
Rankin Park Bowling Club	£1,500 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)



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Victoria Bowling Club	£1,500 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
GRASP (Greenock Recovery Alcohol Support Project)	£1,000
Inverclyde Family Contact Centre	£4,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Inverclyde Globetrotters	£750
Inverclyde Voluntary Council of Social Service	£25,000
Auchmountain Glen Project	£1,000
Broomhill Tenants and Residents Association	£1,500 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Caddlehill Allotment Gardens	£4,000
Cowdenknowes Residents Association	£380 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Gibshill Community Centre (SCIO)	Nil
Gourock Garden Party Committee	£4,750
Greenock Cut Conservation Volunteers	£6,500
Inverclyde Across To Lourdes Group	£900
Inverclyde Men's Shed	£1,000
Inverclyde's A Team	£1,500
Inverkip Community Hub Initiative	£2,000
Kilmacolm Old Kirk (Woodland Project)	£6,500
Larkfield Braeside Branchton Community Council	£2,000
Larkfield Braeside Branchton Community Council	£1,000
Larkfield Community Hall	£2,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
North Ayrshire Beekeepers Association (Inverclyde Buzz)	£1,000
The Ramblers Association Scotland, Inverclyde Group	£750
Wemyss Bay Community Association	£2,000 (subject to the conditions detailed in the appendix to the report)
Arthritis Care Greenock & District	£1,000
Inverclyde Enable	£1,500 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Inverclyde Enable	£2,386
Parkinson's Inverclyde Support Group	£810
The Macular Disease Society - Inverclyde Group	£500
Victim Support Scotland	£4,750 (subject to the condition as detailed in the appendix to the report and the further condition that the organisation demonstrate to the satisfaction of officers)

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	that the grant will only be spent in Inverclyde)
Silverline Dancers	£500
The Tuesday Club	£1,000
Duchal Nursery School	£500
Kilmacolm Playgroup & Toddlers	£500
Ardgowan Club	£1,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Belleaire Football Club	Nil
Clyde Netball Club	£1,000
Flex UK Studios	£1,000
Greenock & District Angling Club	£500
Greenock Juniors Football Club	£4,560
Greenock Morton Hockey Club	£1,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Greenock Wanderers Rugby Football Club	Nil
Inverclyde Amateur Swimming Club	£2,000
Inverclyde Amateur Swimming Club	Nil
Inverclyde Athletic Club	£2,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Inverclyde Cricket Club	£1,500
Newark Angling Club	£500
Ocean Youth Trust Scotland	£2,750 (subject to the condition that it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of officers that 100% match funding is provided by Education Services)
Paisley District Schools Football Association	£500 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Port Glasgow Juniors	£4,750
49F Greenock Squadron Air Training Corps	£500 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Greenock & District Sea Cadet Corps	£3,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Greenock and District Scout Council	£4,750
Inverclyde & District Battalion The Boys Brigade	£4,750 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
The Girls' Brigade in Scotland	£2,000
Colourful Kilmacolm	£867
Gourock Business Club	£800 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Home Start Renfrewshire and Inverclyde	£1,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Inverclyde Naval Club	£2,000

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Lyle Gateway	£1,000
Port Glasgow Voluntary Trans-Port Group	£4,750 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Inverclyde DOFE (Duke of Edinburgh Award) Support Group	£4,750

(2) that it be remitted to officers to submit a report to the meeting of the Grants-Sub Committee on 26 June 2018 providing further financial information in relation to the applications by the Kilmacolm Heritage Centre Company, Enterprise Childcare and Youth Connections prior to the Grants-Sub Committee reaching a decision on these applications.

(3) that Sports Inverclyde's application be continued to a future meeting to allow Officers to clarify the structure and governance of the organisation with the sum of £2,000 being reserved pending the Sub-Committee's decision.

## GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE – 26 JUNE 2018

Grants Sub-CommitteeTuesday 26 June 2018 at 2pm

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, MacLeod, J McEleny and Murphy.

**Chair:** Councillor Brooks presided.

**In attendance:** Service Manager, Community Learning and Development, Community Safety & Resilience and Sport, Ms J Fallon (Community Learning & Development), Mr P MacDonald (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services).

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

**401 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 401**

No apologies for absence were intimated.

Councillor Ahlfeld declared an interest in Agenda Item 2 (Gourock Youth Athletic Club).

**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 Paragraph 4 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.**

**402 Grants to Voluntary Organisations 2018/19 402**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services providing additional information in respect of three applications for grant previously considered by the Sub-Committee on 20 June 2018. It was noted that the application submitted by Kilmacolm Heritage Centre Company has been withdrawn. The Service Manager, Community Learning and Development, Community Safety & Resilience and Sport, provided the Sub-Committee with details of an application by Wellington Park Bowling Club which was not included in this or the previous report.

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

<b>Group</b>	<b>Award</b>
Enterprise Childcare	£4,000
Youth Connections	£2,000
Wellington Park Bowling Club	£1,500

**403 Under 19s Sports Grants 2018/19 403**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Environment and Public Protection providing details of the applications received for consideration for funding from the Under 19s Sports Grants in 2018/19.

Councillor Ahlfeld declared a non-financial interest in this item as Chair of Gourock

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Youth Athletic Club. 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 Brooks moved in relation to the Ardgowan Tennis Club application that the Officers' recommendation be agreed and that £4,000 be granted. As an amendment Councillor J McEleny moved that a grant of £1,500 be provided. On a vote, two Members, Provost Brennan and Councillor Brooks, voted in favour of the motion and four Members, Councillors J McEleny, Murphy, Ahlfeld and MacLeod, voted in favour of the amendment which was declared carried.

Provost Brennan moved in relation to the Greenock Cricket Club application that the Officers' recommendation be agreed and that £4,600 be granted. As an amendment, Councillor Ahlfeld moved that the application be refused. On a vote, one Member, Provost Brennan, voted in favour of the motion and five Members, Councillors Ahlfeld, Murphy, Brooks, MacLeod and J McEleny, voted in favour of the amendment which was declared carried.

Provost Brennan moved in relation to the Greenock Wanderers Rugby Club application that the Officers' recommendation be agreed and that £8,250 be granted. As an amendment, Councillor J McEleny moved that a grant of £6,750 be provided. On a vote, one Member, Provost Brennan, voted in favour of the motion and five Members, Councillors J McEleny, Murphy, Ahlfeld, Brooks and MacLeod, voted in favour of the amendment which was declared carried.

Provost Brennan moved in relation to the Port Glasgow Bowling Club application that the Officers' recommendation be agreed and that £4,000 be granted. As an amendment, Councillor J McEleny moved that the application be refused. On a vote, two Members, Councillors J McEleny and Ahlfeld, voted in favour of the amendment and three Members, Provost Brennan, Councillors Murphy and Brooks, voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried. Councillor MacLeod abstained from voting.

Provost Brennan moved in relation to the Port Glasgow Juniors Community Sports Club application that the Officers' recommendation be agreed and that £12,500 be granted. As an amendment, Councillor J McEleny moved that a grant of £9,500 be provided. On a vote, two Members, Provost Brennan and Councillor Brooks, voted in favour of the motion and four Members, Councillors J McEleny, Murphy, Ahlfeld and MacLeod, voted in favour of the amendment which was declared carried.

**Decided:** that under 19's sports grants be made as follows:

Group	Award
Ardgowan Football Development	£6,250
Ardgowan Tennis Club	£1,500
Birkmyre Rugby Club	£2,750 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Broomhill Boys Club	£5,700 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Clyde Cavalier Cadets	£4,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Clyde Netball Club	£4,389
East End United Boys club	£10,000
Gourock Youth Athletic Club	£7,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Greenock Cricket Club	Nil
Greenock Glenpark Harriers	£3,978

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Greenock Morton Community Trust	£12,660 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Greenock Morton Hockey Club	£3,120 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Greenock United Football Club	£7,500
Greenock Wanderers Rugby Football Club	£6,750 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Inverclyde Amateur Swimming Club	£14,000
Inverclyde Archers	£1,450
Inverclyde Athletic Club	£12,000
Inverclyde Cricket Club	£1,320
Port Glasgow Bowling Club	£4,000 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
Port Glasgow Boys Club	£14,000
Port Glasgow Juniors Community Sports Club	£9,500 (subject to the condition detailed in the appendix to the report)
St Andrew's Boys Club	£14,000

**APPOINTMENT PANEL – CORPORATE DIRECTOR EDUCATION, COMMUNITIES  
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**Appointment Panel**

**Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development**  
**Wednesday 27 June 2018 at 9am**

**Present:** Councillors G Brooks, J Clocherty, S McCabe, C McEleny, L Quinn, E Robertson and Mr A Fawcett, Chief Executive.

**Present also:** Mr S McNab, Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications (Adviser to Panel).

**Chair:** Councillor McCabe presided.

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

**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 the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.**

**404 Appointment of Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development 404**

The Panel interviewed four candidates and agreed to appoint Ms Ruth Binks to the post of Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, all as detailed in the appendix.

**AUDIT COMMITTEE – 28 JUNE 2018**

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**Audit Committee****Thursday 28 June 2018 at 1pm**

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Brooks, Curley, McCabe, McCormick, J McEleny, McVey, Murphy, Ahlfeld (for Quinn) and Rebecchi.

**Chair:** Councillor Rebecchi presided.

**In attendance:** Chief Financial Officer, Mr M Thomson and Mr C Given, Finance Managers, Chief Internal Auditor, Mr J Hamilton (for Head of Legal & Property Services), and Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services).

**In attendance also:** Mr T Yule, Audit Scotland.

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

**405      Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest      405**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Quinn, with Councillor Ahlfeld substituting, and Councillor Nelson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

**406      Unaudited Annual Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2018      406**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer requesting the Committee to review the unaudited Annual Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2018 and approve their submission to Audit Scotland by the statutory deadline of 30 June 2018. The Committee heard a short presentation on the position in respect of the unaudited Annual Accounts by Matt Thomson, Finance Manager.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee, having reviewed the unaudited Annual Accounts, approve their onward transmission to Audit Scotland;
- (2) that the Committee note that the External Auditor's Annual Report to Members for the financial year ended 31 March 2018 will be reported to the Council before 30 September 2018; and
- (3) that arrangements be made for an All Members' Briefing in relation to (2) above prior to the Inverclyde Council meeting on 27 September 2018.



**THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL – 28 JUNE 2018**

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**The Inverclyde Council**

**Thursday 28 June 2018 at 4pm**

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty, Crowther, Curley, Dorrian, Jackson, MacLeod, McCabe, McCormick, J McEleny, McKenzie, McVey, Moran, Murphy, Quinn, Rebecchi, Robertson and Wilson.

**Chair:** Provost Brennan presided.

**In attendance:** Chief Executive, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Legal & Property Services, Mr J Kerr, Ms S Lang and Ms K Macvey (Legal & Property Services), Head of Regeneration & Planning and Mr G Leitch (Environmental & Public Protection).

**In attendance also:** Mr T Yule, Audit Scotland.

**407      Apologies and Declarations of Interest      407**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors C McEleny and Nelson.

Councillors Wilson and Clocherty declared an interest in Agenda Item 2 (Land at Knapps and North Denniston, Bridge of Weir Road, Kilmacolm).

**408      Land at Knapps and North Denniston, Bridge of Weir Road, Kilmacolm      408**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services together with a report by the Planning Board on the Pre-determination Hearing held on 14 June 2018 in relation to a planning application by Gladman Developments Limited for a proposed residential development with access, open space, landscaping and associated works (in principle) at land at Knapps and North Denniston, Bridge of Weir Road, Kilmacolm (17/0403/IC)

Councillor Wilson declared a non-financial interest in this matter as (a) the Vice Chair of Clydeplan (Glasgow and the Clyde Valley Strategic Development Planning Authority), having prior to the Hearing sought and received legal advice in relation to the Councillors' Code of Conduct, paragraphs 7.6 and 7.7; and (b) one of the organisers of the Kilmacolm bonfire and fireworks display which necessitated his seeking permissions from the landowner. He formed the view that the nature of both of these interests and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the consideration of the item.

Councillor Clocherty declared a non-financial interest in this matter as a member of Clydeplan. He 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 consideration of the item.

**Decided:** that planning permission be refused for the following reasons, as recommended by the Planning Board:

- (1) the proposed development is contrary to the Spatial Development Strategy of the 2017 Clydeplan Strategic Development Plan as it is an unjustified urban development which fails to accord with the Green Belt objectives in that it does not protect the quality, character, landscape setting and identity of the village;
- (2) the proposal is contrary to Policies ENV2 and SDS8 of the 2014 Inverclyde Local

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Development Plan together with Policy 14 of the 2018 Proposed Inverclyde Local Development Plan in that it fails to accord with the objectives of the Green Belt;

(3) the proposal fails in respect of Policy RES1 of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan with reference to the incompatibility with the character and amenity of the area (criterion (a)) and in respect of landscaping proposals and impact on existing landscape features (criteria (b) and (c));

(4) the proposal fails to have regard to the six qualities of successful places as required by Policy 1 of the 2017 Clydeplan Strategic Development Plan and Policy 1 of the 2018 Proposed Inverclyde Local Development Plan. The proposal is also contrary to the placemaking aims of Policy SDS3 of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan;

(5) the proposal is not a form of residential development in the Green Belt supported by Policy RES7 of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan; and

(6) the proposal is contrary to Policy HER1 of the 2014 Inverclyde Local Development Plan and Policy 28 of the Proposed 2018 Inverclyde Local Development Plan in that there would be a significant and unacceptable impact on the setting and appearance of the Conservation Area.



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4. That no development shall take place until the developer has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological works in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and agreed in writing by the Planning Authority. Thereafter the developer shall ensure that the programme of archaeological works is fully implemented and that all recording and recovery of archaeological resources within the development site are undertaken to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority; and
5. That the recommendations in the Bat Hibernation Survey by Stone's Wildlife Management dated 25 January-10 March 2018 shall be implemented in full.

**(b) Conversion of existing main building, annexe building and water tower into residential units at Balrossie House, Blacksholm Road, Kilmacolm (17/0351/IC)**

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

1. That no development shall commence until full details of the following works to Balrossie House, the villa annexe and the water tower have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority in consultation with Historic Environment Scotland:
  - a) Stonework repairs/replacement
  - b) Roof repairs
  - c) Fenestration repairs/replacement
  - d) Door repairs/replacement
  - e) Guttering and downpipe repairs/replacement;
2. That no development shall commence until full details of the following works have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority in consultation with Historic Environment Scotland:
  - a) Garden feature repairs/replacement
  - b) Boundary repairs/replacement
  - c) All hard and soft landscaping works;
3. That no development shall commence on site until full details of a programme for the completion and maintenance of hard and soft landscaping works have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority;
4. That no development shall take place until the developer has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological works in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and agreed in writing by the Planning Authority. Thereafter the developer shall ensure that the programme of archaeological works is fully implemented and that all recording and recovery of archaeological resources within the development site are undertaken to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority;
5. That no dwelling shall be occupied until the footway, road and parking spaces serving the dwelling are completed to sealed base course level;
6. That all surface water drainage from the site shall be treated in accordance with the principles of the Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Manual (C697) (CIRIA 2007). Before development commences, details shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority of the maintenance regime for the water detention areas;
7. That all surface water originating within the site shall be intercepted within the site and the discharge shall be limited to that of greenfield run-off;
8. That prior to the commencement of development a detailed drainage design drawing shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and this shall include details of the outfall to the river;

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9. That prior to the commencement of development a maintenance regime for the surface water shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority;
10. That prior to the commencement of development, confirmation of connection to the Scottish Water Network shall be submitted for approval;
11. That prior to the commencement of construction, a full and detailed description of the sewage treatment facility which will service the proposed development of the former Balrossie home shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority. The description must include a calculation of the estimated throughput, the type of treatment being undertaken, details of any discharge, its location and rate and a scale plan of the facility;
12. That none of the dwellings hereby permitted shall be occupied until the sewage treatment facility approved in terms of condition 11 above becomes operational;
13. That the applicant shall ensure that no works within the application site interrupt the service provisions to the adjacent existing houses on Balrossie Drive at any point during construction operations; and
14. That the recommendations in the Bat Hibernation Survey by Stone's Wildlife Management dated 25 January-10 March 2018 shall be implemented in full.

**(c) Planning application for 27 new build houses with associated roads infrastructure and new package waste treatment plant at Balrossie House, Blacksholm Road, Kilmacolm (18/0076/IC)**

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

1. That no development shall commence on site until a phasing plan linking the commencement of construction and the occupation of all new houses approved under this permission and that of planning permission 18/0077/IC to the restoration and completion of all works to the listed buildings as detailed in listed building consent 17/0038/LB, and including the front boundary gates and railings, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. For the avoidance of doubt, development shall not commence on construction of the approved new dwellinghouses until the listed buildings have been secured and made wind and watertight; the 23rd dwellinghouse hereby permitted or, cumulatively, permitted by planning permission 18/0077/IC shall not be occupied until work has commenced on restoration and conversion of the listed buildings; and that the 6th last dwellinghouse hereby permitted or, cumulatively, permitted by planning permission 18/0077/IC shall not be occupied until work has been completed on the listed buildings as detailed in listed building consent 17/0038/LB;
2. That prior to their use, samples of all facing materials to be used in the construction of the dwellings hereby permitted shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Development shall proceed thereafter using the approved materials unless a variation is agreed in writing with the Planning Authority;
3. That prior to their use, samples of all hard landscaping materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approved materials shall thereafter be used unless any alternative is agreed in writing with the Planning Authority;
4. That prior to the commencement of development, full details of all soft landscaping within the site, including a phasing plan and details of management and maintenance arrangements, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority;
5. That the landscaping scheme approved in terms of condition 4 above shall be implemented in full in accordance with the agreed phasing plan. Any of the planting which is damaged, is removed, becomes diseased or dies within the first 5 years of planting shall be replaced within the following planting season with plants of a similar

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size and species;

6. That prior to the commencement of development, full details of the equipped play area identified under planning permission 18/0077/IC, including details of management and maintenance arrangements, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority including a phasing plan for provision of the play area. The play area shall subsequently be provided in accordance with the approved phasing plan;

7. That a visibility splay of 2.4 metres by 43 metres by 1.05 metres shall be provided at the main access onto Blacksholm Road prior to the commencement of development and shall be maintained at all times thereafter;

8. That for the avoidance of doubt, road gradients shall not exceed 8% and driveway gradients shall not exceed 10%;

9. That no dwelling shall be occupied until the footway and road serving the dwelling are completed to sealed base course level;

10. That prior to the last of the dwellings approved under this permission or that of planning permission 18/0077/IC being occupied, all footways and roads serving the dwellings shall be completed to final wearing course level;

11. That all surface water drainage from the site shall be treated in accordance with the principles of the Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Manual (C697) (CIRIA 2007). Before development commences, details shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority of the maintenance regime for the water detention areas;

12. That all surface water originating within the site shall be intercepted within the site and the discharge shall be limited to that of greenfield run-off;

13. That prior to the commencement of development, a detailed drainage design drawing shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and this shall include details of the outfall to the river;

14. That prior to the commencement of development, a maintenance regime for the surface water shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority;

15. That prior to the commencement of development, confirmation of connection to the Scottish Water Network shall be submitted for approval;

16. That prior to the commencement of development, confirmation of SEPA's acceptance and proof of CAR licence shall be submitted for approval;

17. That prior to the start of development, details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and that, for the avoidance of doubt; this shall contain a methodology and treatment statement where any is found. Development shall not proceed until appropriate control measures are implemented. Any significant variation to the treatment methodology shall be submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation;

18. That the development shall not commence until an Environmental Investigation and Risk Assessment, including any necessary Remediation Scheme with timescale for implementation, of all pollutant linkages have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The investigations and assessment shall be site-specific and completed in accordance with current codes of practice. The submission shall also include a Verification Plan. Any subsequent modifications to the Remediation Scheme and Verification Plan must be approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation;

19. That before the development hereby permitted is occupied, the applicant shall submit a report for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority, confirming that the works have been completed in accordance with the agreed Remediation Scheme and supply information as agreed in the Verification Plan. 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,

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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 material source, volume, intended use and chemical quality with plans delineating placement and thickness;

20. That the presence of any previously unrecorded contamination or variation to anticipated ground conditions that becomes evident during site works shall be brought to the attention of the Planning Authority and the Remediation Scheme shall not be implemented unless it has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority;

21. That prior to the commencement of construction, a full and detailed description of the sewage treatment facility which will service the proposed development of the former Balrossie home shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority. The description must include a calculation of the estimated throughput, the type of treatment being undertaken, details of any discharge, its location and rate and a scale plan of the facility;

22. That none of the dwellings hereby permitted shall be occupied until the sewage treatment facility approved in terms of condition 21 above becomes operational;

23. That in the event the gas supply to the development site comprises on-site storage facilities, full details of all proposed plant shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approval shall pre-date the start of construction work on the site;

24. That details of the location of the approved boundary treatments shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development. For the avoidance of doubt the fence/wall combination shall be used on the public realm boundaries of approved plots 12, 13, 15, 23, 29, 30, 40-45;

25. That the approved fences and fence/wall combinations shall be erected for each plot prior to the occupation of the relevant plot;

26. That existing trees both within the development site and in the vicinity of the boundary of the site which are not to be felled or lopped as part of the proposals are to be protected in accordance with British Standards Recommendations for Trees in Relation to Construction, currently BS 5837:2012;

27. That no tree felling, lopping or scrub clearance shall take place within the main bird breeding season, March to June inclusive, and all such works will be preceded by a check for nesting birds in accordance with the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2014 and the protection of wildlife. No development shall take place until details of protection measures have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority;

28. That the recommendations of the Tree Survey & Arboricultural Report by Langton Tree Specialists, dated October 2017, shall be implemented in full;

29. That no development shall take place until the developer has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological works in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and agreed in writing by the Planning Authority. Thereafter, the developer shall ensure that the programme of archaeological works is fully implemented and that all recording and recovery of archaeological resources are undertaken to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority;

30. That the remote footpaths shown on the drawing linking the development to Blacksholm Road shall be provided prior to the last of the dwellinghouses hereby permitted being occupied. Full details of the means of connection and surfacing of the paths shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to their provision;

31. That the recommendations contained within the Stone's Wildlife Management "Ecological Walk Over to Re-survey", "Badger Survey" and "Bat Hibernation Survey" documents submitted to the Planning Authority in May 2018 shall be implemented in full;

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and

32. That the applicant shall ensure that no works within the application site interrupt the service provisions to the adjacent existing houses on Balrossie Drive at any point during construction operations.

**(d) Planning application for 22 new build houses with associated roads infrastructure and new package waste treatment plant at Balrossie House, Blacksholm Road, Kilmacolm (18/0077/IC)**

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

1. That no development shall commence on site until a phasing plan linking the commencement of construction and the occupation of all new houses approved under this permission and that of planning permission 18/0076/IC to the restoration and completion of all works to the listed buildings as detailed in listed building consent 17/0038/LB, and including the front boundary gates and railings, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. For the avoidance of doubt, development shall not commence on construction of the approved new dwellinghouses until the listed buildings have been secured and made wind and watertight; the 23rd dwellinghouse hereby permitted or, cumulatively, permitted by planning permission 18/0076/IC shall not be occupied until work has commenced on restoration and conversion of the listed buildings; and that the 6th last dwellinghouse hereby permitted or, cumulatively, permitted by planning permission 18/0076/IC shall not be occupied until work has been completed on the listed buildings as detailed in listed building consent 17/0038/LB;
2. That prior to their use, samples of all facing materials to be used in the construction of the dwellings hereby permitted shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Development shall proceed thereafter using the approved materials unless a variation is agreed in writing with the Planning Authority;
3. That prior to their use, samples of all hard landscaping materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approved materials shall thereafter be used unless any alternative is agreed in writing with the Planning Authority;
4. That prior to the commencement of development, full details of all soft landscaping within the site, including a phasing plan and details of management and maintenance arrangements, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority;
5. That the landscaping scheme approved in terms of condition 4 above shall be implemented in full in accordance with the agreed phasing plan. Any of the planting which is damaged, is removed, becomes diseased or dies within the first 5 years of planting shall be replaced within the following planting season with plants of a similar size and species;
6. That prior to the commencement of development, full details of the equipped play area, including details of management and maintenance arrangements, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, including a phasing plan for provision of the play area. The play area shall subsequently be provided in accordance with the approved phasing plan;
7. That a visibility splay of 2.4 metres by 43 metres by 1.05 metres shall be provided at the main access onto Blacksholm Road prior to the commencement of development and shall be maintained at all times thereafter;
8. That for the avoidance of doubt, road gradients shall not exceed 8% and driveway gradients shall not exceed 10%;
9. That no dwelling shall be occupied until the footway and road serving the dwelling are completed to sealed base course level;



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10. That prior to the last of the dwellings approved under this permission or that of planning permission 18/0076/IC being occupied, all footways and roads serving the dwellings shall be completed to final wearing course level;
11. That all surface water drainage from the site shall be treated in accordance with the principles of the Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Manual (C697) (CIRIA 2007). Before development commences, details shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority of the maintenance regime for the water detention areas;
12. That all surface water originating within the site shall be intercepted within the site and the discharge shall be limited to that of greenfield run-off;
13. That prior to the commencement of development, a detailed drainage design drawing shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and this shall include details of the outfall to the river;
14. That prior to the commencement of development, a maintenance regime for the surface water shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority;
15. That prior to the commencement of development, confirmation of connection to the Scottish Water Network shall be submitted for approval;
16. That prior to the commencement of development, confirmation of SEPA's acceptance and proof of CAR licence shall be submitted for approval;
17. That prior to the start of development, details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and that, for the avoidance of doubt, this shall contain a methodology and treatment statement where any is found. Development shall not proceed until appropriate control measures are implemented. Any significant variation to the treatment methodology shall be submitted for approval in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation;
18. That the development shall not commence until an Environmental Investigation and Risk Assessment, including any necessary Remediation Scheme with timescale for implementation, of all pollutant linkages have been submitted to and approved, in writing by the Planning Authority. The investigations and assessment shall be site-specific and completed in accordance with current codes of practice. The submission shall also include a Verification Plan. Any subsequent modifications to the Remediation Scheme and Verification Plan must be approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation;
19. That before the development hereby permitted is occupied, the applicant shall submit a report for approval in writing by the Planning Authority, confirming that the works have been completed in accordance with the agreed Remediation Scheme and supply information as agreed in the Verification Plan. 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 material source, volume, intended use and chemical quality with plans delineating placement and thickness;
20. That the presence of any previously unrecorded contamination or variation to anticipated ground conditions that becomes evident during site works shall be brought to the attention of the Planning Authority and the Remediation Scheme shall not be implemented unless it has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority;
21. That prior to the commencement of construction, a full and detailed description of the sewage treatment facility which will service the proposed development of the former Balrossie home shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority. The description must include a calculation of the estimated throughput, the type of treatment

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being undertaken, details of any discharge, its location and rate and a scale plan of the facility;

22. That none of the dwellings hereby permitted shall be occupied until the sewage treatment facility approved in terms of condition 21 above becomes operational;

23. That in the event the gas supply to the development site comprises on-site storage facilities, full details of all proposed plant shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approval shall pre-date the start of construction work on the site;

24. That details of the location of the approved boundary treatments shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development. For the avoidance of doubt, the fence/wall combination shall be used on the public realm boundaries of approved plots 1, 2, 7, 10, 35, 36, 39, 46 and 49;

25. That the approved fences and fence/wall combinations shall be erected for each plot prior to the occupation of the relevant plot;

26. That existing trees both within the development site and in the vicinity of the boundary of the site which are not to be felled or lopped as part of the proposals are to be protected in accordance with British Standards Recommendations for trees in Relation to Construction, currently BS 5837:2012;

27. That no tree felling, lopping or scrub clearance shall take place within the main bird breeding season, March to June inclusive, and all such works will be preceded by a check for nesting birds in accordance with the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2014 and the protection of wildlife. No development shall take place until details of protection measures have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority;

28. That the recommendations of the Tree Survey & Arboricultural Report by Langton Tree Specialists, dated October 2017, shall be implemented in full;

29. That no development shall take place until the developer has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological works in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and agreed in writing by the Planning Authority. Thereafter, the developer shall ensure that the programme of archaeological works is fully implemented and that all recording and recovery of archaeological resources are undertaken to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority;

30. That the remote footpaths shown on the drawing linking the development to Blacksholm Road shall be provided prior to the last of the dwellinghouses hereby permitted being occupied. Full details of the means of connection and surfacing of the paths shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to their provision;

31. That the recommendations contained within the Stone's Wildlife Management "Ecological Walk Over to Re-survey", "Badger Survey" and "Bat Hibernation Survey" documents submitted to the Planning Authority in May 2018 shall be implemented in full; and

32. That the applicant shall ensure that no works within the application site interrupt the service provisions to the adjacent existing houses on Balrossie Drive at any point during construction operations.

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**Policy & Resources Committee**

**Tuesday 7 August 2018 at 3pm**

**Present:** Councillors Ahlfeld, Clocherty, Curley (for MacLeod), McCabe, McCormick, J McEleny (for C McEleny), McVey, Moran, Rebecchi, Robertson and Wilson.

**Chair:** Councillor McCabe presided.

**In attendance:** Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Ms S McAlees (for Corporate Director (Chief Officer) Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership), Chief Financial Officer, Head of Legal & Property Services, Mr J Hamilton & Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications, Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities, Service Manager, Community Learning & Development, Community Safety & Resilience and Sport, Corporate Policy & Partnership Manager and Corporate Communications Manager.

Prior to the commencement of business, the Convener, on behalf of the Committee, extended his congratulations to Ms Ruth Binks on her recent appointment to the post of Corporate Director Education Communities & Organisational Development

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

**411      Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest      411**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor C McEleny, with Councillor J McEleny substituting, and Councillor MacLeod, with Councillor Curley substituting.

Councillor Curley declared a non-financial interest in Agenda Item 14 (Equal Pay Claims).

**412      Workforce Information and Activity Report (WIAR) 2017/2018      412**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications advising the Committee of key workforce information and activity for the year 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018.

The Committee heard a presentation relative to the report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications who answered a number of questions from Members.

**Decided:** that the Committee note the content of the Workforce Information and Activity (WIAR) Report for 2017/2018 outlined in Appendix 1 to the report.

**413      Revenue Budget Outturn 2017/18 – Unaudited      413**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) advising the Committee of the unaudited outturn of Service Committee budgets for the year ending 31 March

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2018 and (2) highlighting any significant variances between revised budgets, Period 11 reports and outturn as set out in the 2017/18 unaudited accounts.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee note the underspend of £2,797,000 as set out in the unaudited account for 2017/18, the reasons for the material variances from budget and the 0.09% movement from Period 11 to final outturn; and

(2) that the Committee note that officers will identify any opportunities to adjust budgets from 2019/20 and will include proposals in future budget reports.

**414      2017/18 Capital Programme Performance      414**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer advising the Committee of the performance in respect of the delivery of the 2017/18 Capital Programme.

**Decided:** that the Committee note the 2017/18 Capital outturn position of 1.2% slippage.

**415      Treasury Management – Annual Report 2017/18      415**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer advising the Committee of the operation of the treasury function and its activities for 2017/18 as required under the terms of Treasury Management Practice 6 (“TMP6”) on “Reporting Requirements and Management Information Arrangements”.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee note the contents of the Annual Report on Treasury Management for 2017/18 and the ongoing work to seek to ensure the delivery of financial benefits for the Council during the current uncertainty and beyond; and

(2) that the Annual Report be remitted to the Inverclyde Council for approval.

**416      Northamptonshire County Council Best Value Inspection      416**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) advising the Committee of the recently issued Best Value inspection report for Northamptonshire County Council and (2) highlighting relevant matters.

**Decided:** that the Committee note the contents of the Northamptonshire Best Value inspection report.

**417      Local Governance Review      417**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisation Development, Policy & Communications (1) advising the Committee of the work being undertaken in connection with the Scottish Government’s Local Governance Review and (2) proposing that discussions take place with both the Elected Members and officers to inform Inverclyde’s response to the review.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee note the start of the engagement process in respect of the Local Governance Review;

(2) that it be agreed that there be attendance by Elected Members and officers at a workshop on 23 August at 12.30pm with representatives from CoSLA and the Scottish Government to identify local governance issues for Inverclyde and to inform the response to CoSLA and the Scottish Government.

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- 418 European Charter of Local Self Government – Private Member’s Bill – Request by Councillor McCabe 418**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising the Committee of a request received from Councillor McCabe that support be given to a proposal for a Private Member’s Bill for the Scottish Parliament to consider the incorporation of a European Charter of Local Self-Government into law in Scotland.
- Decided:** that it be remitted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to prepare a proposed response for consideration by the Committee at its 18 September 2018 meeting which is prior to the consultation deadline of 21 September.
- 419 Developing Participatory Budgeting in Inverclyde 419**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education Culture & Communities (1) providing an overview of Participatory Budgeting in Inverclyde and (2) requesting the Committee to agree to further developing this approach to support decentralisation of budgets and enhance community empowerment.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the report and approve the intended actions;
  - (2) that the Committee note the consultation, communications and engagement objectives, audiences and key mechanisms outlined in the report, the timetable for consultation and the potential release of funding to the community through the Participatory Budgeting process;
  - (3) that the Committee agree to the implementation of a short-life working group to develop a long-term sustainable Participatory Budgeting model for Inverclyde; and
  - (4) that the Committee agree to the release of Community Initiatives Funding through the process set out in the report to support initiatives to alleviate poverty within the designated Community Planning locality areas.
- 420 Scotland’s Fiscal Outlook – The Scottish Government’s 5 Year Financial Strategy 420**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) advising the Committee of the recently published Medium-Term Financial Strategy prepared by the Scottish Government and (2) highlighting the relevant matters which may impact on Local Government and Council budgets.
- Decided:** that the Committee note the contents of the Scottish Government’s first Medium-Term Financial Strategy and the potential impact which the forecasts contained in the strategy will have on funding for Local Government and Inverclyde Council.
- 421 Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2017-2022 421**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications appending the final version of Inverclyde’s Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2017-2022 for adoption by the Committee on behalf of Inverclyde Council.
- Decided:** that the Committee adopt Inverclyde’s Local Outcome Improvement Plan as the overarching partnership strategy for Inverclyde.

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422 **Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip & Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 4) Order 2018** 422

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) advising the Committee of the outcome of the consultation procedure undertaken for the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) associated with various requests for waiting and loading restrictions in Gourock entitled The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip & Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 4) Order 2018 during which two maintained objections were received and (2) seeking the Committee's decision on whether these should be heard by the Environment & Regeneration Committee or by an independent Reporter.

**Decided:** that the Committee note the requirement to hold a public hearing to consider the maintained objections in relation to the TRO and that these be heard at a special meeting of the Environment & Regeneration Committee on a date to be determined in consultation with the Convener.

423 **Amendment to Community Facilities Service Review: Exceptional School Lets to Non-Uniformed and Commercial Organisations not entitled to Waivers** 423

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities (1) requesting the Committee to agree to an amendment to the proposals for the restriction of some primary school lets to uniformed organisations as detailed in the Communities Facilities Service Review submitted to the Education & Communities Committee on 23 January 2018 and (2) providing details of a proposal for the implementation of procedures for exceptional lets to non-uniformed groups and commercial organisations as a potential source of income for Inverclyde Council.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee agree to the proposed amendment to Inverclyde Council's current policy on lets to community facilities now to include one-off or non-regular lets requested by non-uniformed or commercial organisations; and

(2) that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities in consultation with the Head of Legal & Property Services and the Chief Financial Officer to establish an appropriate schedule of payments for one-off or non-regular access community facility lets requested by non-uniformed or commercial organisations with no net financial cost to the Council.

**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 item on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 12 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.**

424 **Equal Pay Claims** 424

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on the results of the review undertaken in relation to a number of equal pay claims against the Council.

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Councillor Curley declared a non-financial interest in this item as a result of family relationships with 3 of the claimants referred to in the report and left the meeting. The Committee agreed to continue consideration to its next meeting to allow further information to be provided in relation to a number of the claims, all as detailed in the Appendix.

**GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 8 AUGUST 2018**

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**General Purposes Board**

**Wednesday 8 August 2018 at 3pm**

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Crowther, Curley, Dorrian, Jackson, J McEleny, and Quinn.

**Chair:** Councillor Dorrian presided.

**In attendance:** Mr D Keenan (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms L Carrick (Legal & Property Services) and Sergeant J Hay (Police Scotland).

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

**425      Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest      425**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Moran and MacLeod.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

**426      Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982      426**  
**Appointment and Revocation of Taxi Stance**  
**Cathcart Street/Bank Street, Greenock**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services requesting the Board to consider relocation of the taxi stance at Bank Street, Greenock to Cathcart Street, Greenock to facilitate an improved traffic management area and workable stance serving this part of the town centre.

**Decided:** that this item be continued to the September Board meeting for further information in relation to the proposal.

**427      Taxi Fares Review 2018      427**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on the annual review of taxi fares scales for the purposes of advertisement as the first formal stage of the statutory process.

Mr J Bradley was in attendance representing the Head of Environmental & Public Protection and Mr H Glasgow representing Inverclyde Taxis Ltd, ABC Taxis (Inverclyde) Ltd and the Operators Liaison Group.

The Board heard Mr Glasgow in support of the trade recommendations and Mr Bradley in respect of the submission by the Head of Environmental and Public Protection.

Following discussion, Councillor Ahlfeld moved that the proposals by the trade be accepted. As an amendment, Councillor J McEleny moved that the reduction in yardage be in line with the consumer price index of 2.5 percent.

On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors J McEleny and Crowther, voted in favour of the amendment and 7 Members, Provost Brennan, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Curley, Dorrian, Jackson and Quinn, voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried.

**Decided:**

(1) that flag fall charge to be maintained across Tariffs 1, 2, 3 and 4 combined with a



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3% reduction in yardage for the initial charge and subsequent charge yardage be adopted; and

(2) that it be remitted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for public advertising of proposals as the first stage of the statutory process.

**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.**

**428 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence****428**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence which was refused, all as detailed in the appendix.

**Application for Taxi Driver's Licence**

**429** There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence which the Board agreed to continue to the September meeting of the Board, all as detailed in the appendix.

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## AUDIT COMMITTEE – 21 AUGUST 2018

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### Audit Committee

Tuesday 21 August 2018 at 3pm

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Brooks, Curley, Jackson (for McCabe), Moran (for McCormick), J McEleny, McVey, Murphy, Nelson, Quinn and Rebecchi.

**Chair:** Councillor Rebecchi presided.

**In attendance:** Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Chief Internal Auditor, Ms G Murphy (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services) and Mr M Thomson (for Chief Financial Officer).

**In attendance also:** Mr T Yule, Audit Scotland.

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

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| <b>430</b> | <b>Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest</b>  | <b>430</b> |
|            | Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor McCabe, with Councillor Jackson substituting and Councillor McCormick, with Councillor Moran substituting.   |            |
|            | Councillors Brooks and J McEleny declared an interest in agenda item 3 (Internal Audit Progress Report – 30 March to 27 July 2018).   |            |
| <b>431</b> | <b>Interim Audit Letter – Review of Internal Controls and Financial Systems 2017/18</b>   | <b>431</b> |
|            | There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer bringing to the attention of the Committee a letter received from Audit Scotland regarding a review of Inverclyde Council's internal controls and financial systems for 2017/18.  |            |
|            | <b>Decided:</b> that the Committee note the contents of the interim letter received from Audit Scotland and the matters arising as detailed in the Appendix to the report.  |            |
| <b>432</b> | <b>Internal Audit Progress Report – 30 March to 27 July 2018</b>  | <b>432</b> |
|            | 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 30 March to 27 July 2018.   |            |
|            | Councillors Brooks and J McEleny declared a non-financial interest in this item as Board Members 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. |            |
|            | <b>Decided:</b> that the monitoring report in respect of Internal Audit activity for the period 30 March to 27 July 2018 be noted.  |            |
| <b>433</b> | <b>Internal Audit Annual Report and Assurance Statement 2017/18</b>   | <b>433</b> |
|            | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources presenting the Internal Audit Annual Report and Assurance Statement for  |            |

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2017/18 which forms part of the Council's Annual Governance Statement.

**Decided:** that the content of the Internal Audit Annual Report and Assurance Statement 2017/18 be noted.

**434      Annual Review of Risk Management Activity 2017/18      434**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising of progress made in 2017/18 in developing and monitoring a strategic approach to managing risks faced by the Council, which forms part of the Council's overall Corporate Governance Framework.

**Decided:** that the progress made in 2017/18 in developing, implementing and monitoring a coherent corporate approach to managing risks faced by the Council be noted.

**435      Audit Scotland National Report: The National Fraud Initiative in Scotland – July 2018      435**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources appending Audit Scotland's report "The National Fraud Initiative in Scotland", providing an overview of the key messages and recommendations raised in the report and how these issues are being addressed by the Council.

**Decided:** that the content of the report be noted and that a further update report be submitted to the February 2019 Audit Committee outlining the Council's progress.

**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 item on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.**

**436      Internal Audit Progress Report - Appendix      436**

There was submitted an appendix relative to Item 3, (the Internal Audit Progress Report), providing details of a special investigation undertaken since the last meeting of the Committee.

Following discussion the Committee agreed to authorise a number of actions relative to the special investigation, all as detailed in the appendix.

## HEALTH &amp; SOCIAL CARE COMMITTEE – 23 AUGUST 2018

Health & Social Care CommitteeThursday 23 August 2018 at 3pm

**Present:** Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jackson, Crowther (for MacLeod), McCabe, C McEleny, McKenzie, Moran, Quinn, Rebecchi and Robertson.

**Chair:** Councillor Moran presided.

**In attendance:** Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Head of Health & Community Care, Head of Children's Services & Criminal Justice, Service Manager (Children & Families), Service Manager (Inequalities, Migration & Strategic Housing), Ms F McLaren (for Chief Financial Officer), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services).

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

**437 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 437**

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor MacLeod, with Councillor Crowther substituting.

Councillor Brooks declared an interest in the additional agenda item (Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations).

Councillor C McEleny entered the meeting at this juncture.

**438 Presentation – Corporate Parenting 438**

The Committee heard a presentation introduced by Ms A Glendinning, Service Manager (Children & Families) and given by Dylan Forsythe, a care experienced young person and Aileen Wilson, Children's Rights Officer, on corporate parenting, with particular reference to the journey of care experienced young people and the work of the care experienced young people's participation group, Proud 2 Care.

**Decided:** that the presentation be noted.

**439 Revenue and Capital Budget Report – Outturn 2017/18 and 2018/19 Revenue Outturn Position as at 30 June 2018 439**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on (1) the outturn of the 2017/18 Revenue Budget, which was provisional, subject to the audit of the year-end accounts and (2) the projected outturn on Revenue and Capital for 2018/19 as at 30 June 2018.

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

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee note the 2017/18 Revenue Budget outturn underspend of £434,000;

(2) that the Committee note that the underspend at the 2017/18 year-end will be

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retained by the Integration Joint Board;

- (3) that the Committee note that the projected current year Revenue outturn is on budget as at 30 June 2018;
- (4) that the Committee approve the virements listed in Appendix 6 to the report;
- (5) that the Committee note the current projected Capital position; and
- (6) that the Committee note the current Earmarked Reserves position.

### 440 Learning Disability (LD) Redesign – Progress Report, August 2018

440

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update in relation to progress of Inverclyde HSCP's Learning Disability (LD) Redesign.

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

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee note the progress in the decommissioning of the McPherson Centre and the interim move to the Fitzgerald Centre by 28 September 2018 and associated learning disability estate changes;
- (2) that the properties at Golf Road, Gourrock and the McPherson Centre, Gourrock, (when vacated in September 2018) be declared surplus to requirements and that the Environment & Regeneration Committee be requested to consider the marketing and disposal of the properties; and
- (3) that the Committee note the ongoing appraisal work in the identification of potential sites within Inverclyde suitable for a community-based resource hub for people with a learning disability.

### 441 Review of Addiction Services

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership advising the Committee of the completion of Phase 1 of the Addiction Review and the workstreams identified for the Phase 2 workplan.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee note the progress made in the Review of Addiction Services and the considerations arising from Phase 1 of the Review; and
- (2) that a further update on the outcome of the Addiction Services Review be submitted to the Committee.

### 442 Inverclyde Community Justice Partnership Annual Report 2017-2018

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership appending the Inverclyde Community Justice Partnership Annual Report 2017-2018.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee endorse the Inverclyde Community Justice Partnership Annual Report 2017-2018; and
- (2) that the Committee approve submission of the Annual Report to Community Justice Scotland pending the addressing of any amendments necessary following any further comments from Committee Members and Partners.

**The Convener, being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership was relevant,**

competent and urgent, moved its consideration in terms of the relevant Standing Order to allow the Committee to be advised of the current position in respect of the governance of externally commissioned Social Care Services at the earliest opportunity. This was agreed unanimously.

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 item on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 6 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

**443 Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations**

**443s**

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 Brooks declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Member of the Board of River Clyde Homes. 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:**

- (1) that the Committee note the governance report as set out in Appendix 1 covering the period 20 March to 20 July 2018; and
- (2) that Members acknowledge that Officers regard the control mechanisms in place through their governance meetings as sufficiently robust to ensure ongoing quality and safety and the fostering of a commissioning culture of continuous improvement.

## ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 30 AUGUST 2018

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### Environment & Regeneration Committee

Thursday 30 August 2018 at 3pm

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

**Chair:** Councillor Jackson presided.

**In attendance:** Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services), Ms M McCabe (for Chief Financial Officer), Head of Regeneration & Planning, Head of Environmental & Public Protection, Ms R Dillon, Mr S Walker and Mr D Hall (Environmental & Public Protection) and Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications).

**In attendance also:** Ms F Maguire, Chief Executive, Riverside Inverclyde.

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

#### 444 **Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest**

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Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor McCormick, with Councillor Dorrian substituting, Councillor McCabe, with Provost Brennan substituting and Councillor Crowther, with Councillor C McEleny substituting.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 13 (Riverside Inverclyde Project Update) - Councillors Clocherty and McKenzie.

Agenda Item 18 (Active Travel in Inverclyde) - Councillor Ahlfeld.

Agenda Item 28 (Clune Park Regeneration Plan Update) - Councillors Brooks and Curley.

Agenda Item 29 (Single Party Negotiations) - Councillor Curley.

Agenda Item 30 (Property Asset Management Report) - Councillors Brooks and Curley.

#### 445 **Environment & Regeneration 2017/18 Revenue Budget – Period 3 (30 June 2018)**

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Environment Regeneration & Resources advising the Committee of the 2017/18 out-turn and the 2018/19 Revenue Budget position as at Period 3 to 30 June 2018.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee note the out-turn for 2017/18 and the current projected overspend for 2018/19 of £107,000 as at 30 June 2018; and

(2) that approval be given to the virement detailed in Section 8 and Appendix 5 of the report.

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**446 Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme 2018/19 to 2020/21 – Progress 446**

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

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee note the current position of the Capital Programme 2018/21 and the progress of the specific projects detailed in Appendices 1 and 2 of the report; and
- (2) that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Public Protection to submit a report on the civic amenities facility at Kirn Drive to the October 2018 meeting of the Committee.

**447 Environment, Regeneration & Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan Review 447**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources presenting to the Committee the annual review of the Environment, Regeneration & Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan (CDIP).

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee approve the refreshed Environment, Regeneration & Resources CDIP;
- (2) that the Committee note that the refreshed Environment, Regeneration & Resources CDIP and the Education, Communities & Organisational Development CDIP will be submitted to the Policy & Resources Committee for approval on 18 September 2018;
- (3) that the Committee note that a new 3 year Environment, Regeneration & Resources CDIP will be presented to this Committee in 2019;
- (4) that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Public Protection to submit a report on the effectiveness of parking enforcement to the October 2018 meeting of this Committee; and
- (5) that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Public Protection to submit a report on Service Improvement Action 2018/19 with regard to Scottish Energy Efficient Programmes (SEEPS).

**448 Child Burial and Cremation Charges – Funding Allocation 448**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the Scottish Government's proposal for the distribution of funding to local authorities to implement the removal of child burial and cremation charges.

**Decided:** that the Committee approve the waiver of charges for child burials and cremations for children aged one year to under 18 in line with the announcement on funding from the Scottish Government for child burial and cremation charges.



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- 449 Public Health Funerals 449**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the statutory duties placed on the Council in relation to Public Health Funerals.
- Decided:** that the Committee note the terms of the statutory duty placed on the Council to deal with Public Health Funerals and the specific circumstances where they are available.
- 450 Inverclyde Council Biodiversity Duty Report 2015-17 450**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources requesting approval to publish Inverclyde Council's Biodiversity Duty Report 2015/17 as required by the Wildlife and Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2011.
- Decided:** that the Committee approve the publication of Inverclyde Council's Biodiversity Duty Report 2015/17 as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report.
- 451 Revised Code of Practice on Litter and Refuse (COPLAR) 451**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the current position with regard to the revised Code of Practice on Litter and Refuse (COPLAR).
- Decided:** that the Committee note the content of the report and Inverclyde's participation as one of the 6 trial authorities in developing the Revised Code of Practice on Litter and Refuse.
- 452 Greater Glasgow & Clyde Joint Health Protection Plan 2018-2020 452**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the 2018-20 Joint Health Protection Plan agreed jointly with Greater Glasgow & Clyde Health Board.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee approve the 2018-20 Joint Health Protection Plan; and
  - (2) that officers update the Committee in due course on the outcome and implications of changes to the national Health Protection landscape arising from the Public Health Reform Programme.
- 453 Save Inchgreen Dry Dock Campaign 453**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising the Committee of a remit from the Petitions Committee regarding the Save Inchgreen Dry Dock Campaign.
- Decided:** that the Committee note that a further, more detailed report will be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee.

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**454 McLean's Yard, Cove Road, Gourock****454**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) advising the Committee of the further discussions held at the Gourock Regeneration Forum meeting in June 2018 with the 3 Community Groups which have come forward following a 2 stage community consultation and (2) seeking the decision of the Committee regarding which Community Group relative to the proposal received for McLean's Yard, Cove Road, Gourock they wish officers to progress discussions with.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee note the comments and feedback received from the Gourock Regeneration Forum following the presentations made by the three groups and the Forum's recommendation to the Committee that the Cardwell Bay Association of Small Boat Owners be the preferred user; and
- (2) that the Committee agree to officers entering into further discussion with the Cardwell Bay Association of Small Boat Owners subject to a further, more detailed report on the proposals being submitted to the Committee following upon these discussions.

**455 Riverside Inverclyde – Project Update****455**

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 McKenzie and Clocherty 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:**

- (1) that the Committee note the progress to date and that further progress reports will be brought back for Members' information and consideration in due course; and
- (2) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to submit a report on Peel Ports interests in the waterfront area to a future meeting of the Committee.

**456 City Deal – Greenock Ocean Terminal****456**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating members in respect of negotiations with the George Wylie Foundation on the design for Greenock Ocean Terminal which would include a permanent George Wylie exhibition and associated gallery space.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee approve that the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources conclude negotiations with the George Wylie Foundation in respect of the design and funding agreement for the George Wylie Option for the Ocean Terminal Building and that this option be taken forward to the Final Business Case; and
- (2) that the Committee note that through approving (1) above, the Council will assume the risk for any cost overrun.

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- 457 Flood Risk Management – Update Report 13 457**
- 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:** that the Committee note the current progress on the Central Greenock Flood Prevention Scheme and on the Flood Prevention Scheme outwith Central Greenock.
- 458 Road Safety 458**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on work carried out to meet the Council's obligations relating to the carrying out of studies into accidents arising out of the use of vehicles and proposing areas which should be prioritised for action in light of the evidence obtained.
- Decided:** that the Committee note the findings of the Road Safety Report and that an annual report will be presented to the Committee on this matter.
- 459 Transport (Scotland) Bill - Proposed Consultation Response 459**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising the Committee of the recent introduction of the Transport (Scotland) Bill and the Scottish Parliament website survey.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the introduction of the Transport (Scotland) Bill to the Scottish Parliament on 8 June 2018; and
  - (2) that the Committee approve the responses to each section of the Bill as detailed in the Appendices to the report.
- 460 Active Travel in Inverclyde 460**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) informing the Committee of the publication of the Scottish Government's Active Travel Task Force Report 2018 and of progress on Smarter Choices, Smarter Places funded projects and (2) seeking approval of the Inverclyde Council Active Travel Strategy.
- Councillor Ahlfeld declared a non-financial interest in this matter as member of Inverclyde Community Development Trust. 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:**
- (1) that the Committee note the publication of the Active Travel Task Force Report 2018 and progress on Smarter Choices, Smarter Places funded projects; and
  - (2) that the Committee approve the Inverclyde Council Active Travel Strategy all as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report.

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- 461 Scottish Roads Maintenance Condition Survey (Phase 4) 461**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising the Committee on the proposal to enter into a collaborative procurement for Phase 4 of the Scottish Roads Maintenance Condition Survey (SRMCS).
- Decided:** that the Committee, in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders Relating to Procurement, give approval to enter into a collaborative contract to participate in Phase 4 of the SRMCS for a period of 4 years, with a possible extension of a further 3 years, and at a cost of £5k per annum.
- 462 Request for a New Road Name at James Watt Dock, Greenock 462**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for the name of a road at James Watt Dock, Greenock. The Committee discussed and agreed the special circumstances in relation to the naming of this road.
- Decided:** that the new road leading from East Hamilton Street towards the Great Harbour be named Douglas Rae Road.
- 463 Request for a New Road Name in Port Glasgow Town Centre 463**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for the name of a road in Port Glasgow Town Centre.
- Decided:** that the new road leading from Shore Street to the Comet roundabout be named Comet Road.
- Councillor C McEleny left the meeting at this juncture.
- 464 Stopping Up Order – The Stopping Up of Road and Footpath, Inverclyde (Mavis Lane, Greenock) Order 2018 464**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending that the Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to promote the Stopping-Up of Roads and Footpaths, Inverclyde (Mavis Lane, Greenock) Order 2018 and, provided that there are no maintained objections, to confirm the Order.
- Decided:** that the Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to promote the Stopping Up of Roads and Footpaths, Inverclyde (Mavis Lane, Greenock) Order 2018 and that, if after the 28 day period for statutory objections no such objections are made or maintained, delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to take all necessary action in connection therewith, including confirmation of the Order.
- 465 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Persons' Parking Places (On Street) Order No. 2 2018 465**
- 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.

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**Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On Street) Order No. 2 2018 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Public Protection and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for implementation of the Order.

**466 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On Street) Order No. 3 2018 466**

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 Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On Street) Order No. 3 2018 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Public Protection and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for implementation of the Order.

**467 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip & Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 5) Order 2018 467**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending the making of a Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip & Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 5) Order 2018.

**Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip & Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 5) Order 2018 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Public Protection and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for implementation of the Order.

**468 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 8) Order 2018 468**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending the making of a Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 8) Order 2018.

**Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 8) Order 2018 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Public Protection and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for implementation of the Order.

**469 Port Glasgow Industrial Estate – Support for Demolition Programme 469**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking agreement for a policy to support selective demolition at Port Glasgow Industrial Estate.

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**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee agree to provide grant intervention of up to 20% to a maximum of £30,000 for premises which have been redundant for a period of a minimum of 12 months where the owner can demonstrate that they have marketed the premises unsuccessfully for 6 months, noting that all statutory consent requirements remain and that the grant will be paid on evidence of paid invoices to the demolition contractor; and
- (2) that a report on the outcome be submitted to the Committee at a future date.

**470 Learning Disability Redesign – Remit from Health & Social Care Committee 470**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Health & Social Care Committee of 23 August 2018 requesting the Committee to declare the properties of Golf Road, Gourrock and the McPherson Centre, Gourrock surplus to requirements as a result of the Learning Disability Redesign Programme.

**Decided:** that the properties at Golf Road, Gourrock and the McPherson Centre, Gourrock be declared surplus to requirements and it be remitted to the appropriate Officers to market and dispose of the properties.

**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 consider the making of a Proposed Traffic Regulation Order at the earliest opportunity. This was agreed unanimously.**

**471 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip & Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 4) Order 2018 471**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending the making of a Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip & Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 4) Order 2018.

**Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip & Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 4) Order 2018 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Public Protection and the 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.**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Paragraph(s)</b>
<b>Clune Park Regeneration Plan Progress Report – Update on Current Actions</b>	<b>6, 9, 12 &amp; 13</b>

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<b>Single Party Negotiation – Consultant Support</b>	<b>6 &amp; 8</b>
<b>Property Asset Management Report</b>	<b>6 &amp; 9</b>
<b>Mortgage Guarantee Scheme Update</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Retail Unit, Broomhill Way, Greenock</b>	<b>2, 6 &amp; 9</b>
<b>Improvement Works to Princes Street, Port Glasgow – Use of Emergency Powers Procedure</b>	<b>6 &amp; 8</b>
<b>Greenlight Environmental Ltd</b>	<b>6 &amp; 8</b>

**472 Clune Park Regeneration Plan Progress Report: Update on Current Actions 472**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the current actions to implement the Council's decisions on the Clune Park Estate.

Councillors Brooks and Curley declared a non-financial interest in this matter as Board Members 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.

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

**473 Single Party Negotiations – Consultant Support 473**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking authority to extend the single party consultant support for Clune Park structural surveys.

Councillor Curley declared a non-financial interest in this item due to the nature of his employment and left the meeting for the consideration of this item.

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

Councillor Curley returned to the meeting at this juncture.

**474 Property Asset Management Report 474**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources making recommendations in respect of a number of property assets.

Councillors Brooks and Curley declared a non-financial interest in this item as Board members 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.

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

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- 475 Mortgage Guarantee Scheme Update 475**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing an update on the Mortgage Guarantee Scheme. Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the actions recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.
- 476 Retail Unit, Broomhill Way, Greenock 476**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to renew the lease of premises at Broomhill Way, Greenock. Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.
- 477 Improvement Works to Princes Street, Port Glasgow – Use of Emergency Powers Procedure 477**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising the Committee of the use of the emergency powers procedure to approve proposed improvement works to Princes Street, Port Glasgow.  
**Decided:** that the use of the emergency powers procedure be noted.
- 478 Greenlight Environmental Ltd 478**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Environmental & Protective Services providing an update on the current position with respect to Greenlight Environmental Ltd. Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.



## EDUCATION AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 4 SEPTEMBER 2018

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### Education and Communities Committee

Tuesday 4 September 2018 at 2pm

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Clocherty, Curley, MacLeod, McCabe, Crowther (for C McEleny), McVey, Murphy, Quinn, Robertson and Wilson, Mrs F Gilpin, Church Representatives, Ms A McMillan, Parent Representative and Ms P McEwan, Teacher Representative.

**Chair:** Councillor Clocherty presided.

**In attendance:** Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities, Service Manager (Community Learning & Development, Community Safety & Resilience and Sport), Mr I Cameron (for Chief Financial Officer), Education & Exchequer Finance Manager, Ms G Murphy (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Acting Head of Education, Property Services Manager, Early Years Manager, Corporate Policy & Partnership Manager and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

#### 479 **Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest**

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Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor C McEleny, with Councillor Crowther substituting, and Rev D Burt.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 5 (Grants to Voluntary Organisations) – Councillor Robertson.

Agenda Item 6 (Under 19s Sports Grants 2018/19) – Councillor Curley.

Agenda Item 10 (Greenock Arts Guild Ltd: Beacon Construction: Update on Legal Claim) – Councillor Robertson.

Agenda Item 21 (Update on the Beacon Arts Centre: The Greenock Arts Guild Ltd) – Councillor Robertson.

Agenda Item 22 (Award of Contract for the Provision of Transport Needs for Children with Additional Support and/or Medical Needs for 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21) – Councillor McVey.

#### 480 **Communities 2018/19 Revenue Budget – Period 3 to 30 June 2018**

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on (1) the final outturn of the 2017/18 Communities Revenue Budget and (2) the 2018/19 Revenue Budget position as at Period 3 to 30 June 2018.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee note the final outturn for the 2017/18 Communities Revenue Budget; and

(2) that the Committee note the current projected overspend of £33,000 for the 2018/19 Communities Revenue Budget as at Period 3 to 30 June 2018.

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- 481 Communities Capital Programme 2018/21 Progress 481**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities and the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the status of the projects forming the Communities Capital Programme 2018/21 and (2) highlighting the overall financial position.
- Decided:** that the Committee note the progress of the specific projects detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.
- 482 Libraries, Museums and Archives Service Annual Report 2017 – 2018 482**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities appending the Libraries, Museums and Archives Service Annual Report 2017 – 2018.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee endorse the Libraries, Museums and Archives Service Annual Report 2017 – 2018; and
- (2) that a report be submitted to the October meeting of the Committee on the timeline relative to the closure of the Heritage Hub and the opening of the refurbished McLean Museum and Art Gallery and any legacy issues arising from the operation of the Heritage Hub.
- 483 Grants to Voluntary Organisations 483**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) on the awards made to voluntary organisations by the Grants Sub-Committee on 20 June 2018 and (2) proposing a review of the process involved.
- Councillor Robertson declared a non-financial interest in this item due to an association with Inverclyde Youth Theatre and Thistle Theatre Company. She also formed the view that the nature of her interest and of the item of business did not preclude her continued presence in the Chamber or her participation in the decision-making process.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the awards granted to a range of community groups at the meeting of the Grants Sub-Committee on 20 June 2018; and
- (2) that it be remitted to Officers to carry out a review of the Grants to Voluntary Organisations (GTVO) process and to report further to the Committee in due course.
- 484 Under 19s Sports Grants 2018/19 484**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the awards made to under 19s sport groups by the Grants Sub-Committee on 26 June 2018.
- Councillor Curley declared a non-financial interest in this item due to an association with Inverclyde Archers. 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 note the awards granted to a range of community sports groups at the meeting of the Grants Sub-Committee on 26 June 2018.

485 **Ward 7 Community Facilities Review**

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) informing the Committee of the outcome of the recent community consultation and engagement exercise on the long term future of all Ward 7 community facilities (hubs) and (2) making recommendations with regard to the future operating model for these facilities based on the results of the community engagement exercise. There was also submitted an addendum relative to the survey results which showed, by percentage, all of those who expressed a first preference, all of those who expressed a second preference and all of those who expressed a third preference with the clear preference being for retention of the Grieve Road facility.

Following discussion, Councillor Murphy moved:

- (1) that the contents of the report be noted;
- (2) that it be agreed to close Paton Street and Fancy Farm community facilities as recommended in the report;
- (3) that it be agreed to invest in creating car parking capacity at Grieve Road Community Centre as recommended in the report and that, in addition, it be remitted to Officers to examine the potential for reconfiguring the facilities at the centre and carrying out internal decoration works;
- (4) that a report be submitted to the October meeting of the Committee on the consultations with the community with a view to establishing a constituted management committee for the Grieve Road Community Centre and that any management committee so established be consulted regarding the proposed works as set out in (3) above;
- (5) that a report be submitted to the October meeting of the Committee on the discussions which have taken place with Oak Tree Housing Association regarding a potential future asset transfer of the Paton Street facility; and
- (6) that the Policy & Resources Committee be requested to approve a one-off investment in respect of the proposals as set out in the proposals above.

As an amendment, Councillor McVey moved:

- (1) that it be remitted to officers to endeavour to establish a fully constituted management committee at the Grieve Road Community Centre as soon as possible and that should this not be successful, a report on progress be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee in order that the funding identified in the report can be relocated to the Paton Street Community Centre; and
- (2) that it be remitted to Officers to continue dialogue with Oak Tree Housing Association regarding the potential asset transfer of the Paton Street Community Centre to the Housing Association and that a report be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee detailing how this transfer could be achieved and any associated costs to the Council.

On a vote, 5 Members, Councillors McVey, Quinn, Crowther, MacLeod and Robertson, voted in favour of the amendment and 6 Members, Provost Brennan and Councillors Clocherty, McCabe, Murphy, Wilson and Curley, voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the contents of the report be noted;
- (2) that it be agreed to close Paton Street and Fancy Farm community facilities as recommended in the report;
- (3) that it be agreed to invest in creating car parking capacity at Grieve Road Community Centre as recommended in the report and that in addition, it be remitted to

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Officers to examine the potential for reconfiguring the facilities at the Centre and carrying out internal decoration works;

(4) that a report be submitted to the October meeting of the Committee on the consultations with the community with a view to establishing a constituted management committee for the Grieve Road Community Centre and that any management committee so established be consulted regarding the proposed works as set out in (3) above;

(5) that a report be submitted to the October meeting of the Committee on the discussions which have taken place with Oak Tree Housing Association regarding a potential future asset transfer of the Paton Street facility; and

(6) that the Policy & Resources Committee be requested to approve a one-off investment in respect of the proposals set out in the decisions above.

Councillors McCabe and Murphy left the meeting at this juncture.

### 486 Installation of a Memorial Window in the McLean Museum and Art Gallery 486

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities seeking approval for the installation of a commemorative stained glass window in the McLean Museum and Art Gallery to recognise Inverclyde's involvement and sacrifice in the Dardanelles Campaign of World War I.

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

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee give its agreement to the proposed installation of a commemorative stained glass window in the McLean Museum and Art Gallery; and

(2) that the proposal be referred for approval to the Inverclyde Council as Trustees of the Watt Institution.

### 487 Inverclyde PREVENT Strategy and Guidance - Update 487

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) updating the Committee on additional information to be included in the Inverclyde PREVENT Strategy and Guidance remitted from the Policy & Resources Committee on 22 May 2018 and (2) advising of the feasibility of third sector partner organisations being supported to access e-learning training resources as recommended by the Policy & Resources Committee.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee note that access to the PREVENT e-learning training resources for third sector colleagues is a feasible proposal;

(2) that the PREVENT strategy and guidance be amended to take account of the proportionate training proposals to support third sector workers and volunteers working with vulnerable people; and

(3) that two members of the CLD team be trained to deliver the e-learning training resource to identified third sector workers and volunteers as required.

**The Convener being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration in terms of the relevant Standing Order to allow the Committee to consider whether it would wish to participate in the National Emergency Services Day before the proposed date of 9 September. This**

was agreed unanimously.

**488 Emergency Services Day – 999 Day – 9 September 488**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications (1) advising the Committee of National Emergency Services Day on 9 September and (2) seeking approval for the Council to fly a specially designed flag to commemorate the work undertaken by the emergency services.

**Decided:** that the Committee support Emergency Services Day on 9 September and approve the flying of a flag above the Council's Headquarters on Emergency Services Day annually

**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 the heading to each item.**

Item	Paragraph(s)
<b>Greenock Arts Guild Ltd: Beacon Construction: Update on Legal Claim</b>	<b>6 and 12</b>
<b>Update on the Beacon Arts Centre: Greenock Arts Guild Ltd</b>	<b>6</b>

**489 Greenock Arts Guild Ltd: Beacon Construction: Update on Legal Claim 489**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services providing an update on the legal advice obtained by Greenock Arts Guild Ltd (GAG) relative to the litigation matter in respect of the Beacon development.

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

The Committee agreed to note the position and authorise action all as detailed in the appendix.

**490 Update on the Beacon Arts Centre: Greenock Arts Guild Ltd 490**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on the Beacon Arts Centre/Greenock Arts Guild Ltd (GAG) as part of the Council's commitment to reporting on the governance of external organisations.

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

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee note the progress made by the Beacon Arts Centre/Greenock Arts Guild since the previous report to the Committee in January 2018; and

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(2) that it be agreed that a further progress report be submitted to the Committee in January 2019.

**The Communities business concluded at 4pm. The Committee commenced consideration of the Education items of business at 4.10pm with Mrs Gilpin, Ms McEwan and Ms McMillan joining the meeting.**

Prior to the commencement of business, the Convener welcomed to the meeting Mr Stephen Parsons, who had recently been appointed as the Acting Head of Education and Mr Gary Johnstone, Education Scotland.

### 491 Clyde Conversations 2018

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) advising the Committee of the success of #ClydeConversations3, (2) appending an evaluation report from the event and (3) informing the Committee of the next steps for the follow up event in November 2018.

Corey Beaton and Megan Quinn, two of the young people involved in the Clyde Conversations Steering Group were present along with Jack Kinnimouth, CLD Worker and they addressed the Committee relative to the event and answered a number of questions from Members.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee note the contents of the report and the evaluation report and action plan;

(2) that the Committee acknowledge the success of #ClydeConversations3; and

(3) that the Committee endorse the proposals for the follow-up event in November 2018.

### 492 Education 2018/19 Revenue Budget – Period 3 to 30 June 2018

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on (1) the final outturn of the 2017/18 Education Revenue Budget and (2) the 2018/19 Revenue Budget position as at Period 3 to 30 June 2018.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee note the final outturn of the 2017/18 Education Revenue Budget;

(2) that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £82,000 for the 2018/19 Education Revenue Budget as at Period 3 to 30 June 2018; and

(3) that the Committee approve the virement of £30,000 as set out in Paragraph 8.1 and Appendix 5 of the report.

### 493 Education Capital Programme 2018 – 2021 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 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 of the report;

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(2) that the Committee approve the following in respect of the Gourrock Primary School extension project:

(a) change to the scope of the project including the revised budget allocation and utilisation of the overall Capital Programme contingency/lifecycle fund allocation as outlined in Section 7.2; and

(b) the issue of tenders for the project and the granting of delegated authority to the Head of Legal & Property Services to accept the most economically advantageous tender provided the cost is within the revised budget allocation for the project.

**494 Education, Communities & Organisational Development Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan Review 494**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the annual review of the Education, Communities & Organisational Development Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan (CDIP).

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee approve the refreshed Education, Communities & Organisational Development CDIP 2016/19;

(2) that it be noted that the refreshed Education, Communities & Organisational Development CDIP and Environment, Regeneration & Resources CDIP will be submitted to the Policy & Resources Committee for approval on 18 September 2018; and

(3) that it be noted that a new three year Education, Communities & Organisational Development CDIP will be submitted to this Committee in May 2019.

**495 Three Year Plan for Co-ordinating Community Learning & Development in Inverclyde – 2018/21 495**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval for the publication of the three year plan 2018/21 for the co-ordination of Community Learning and Development (CLD) in Inverclyde.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee approve the three year plan 2018/21 for the co-ordination of Community Learning and Development in Inverclyde;

(2) that the Committee approve the publication of the three year plan in line with the guidance issued by Education Scotland; and

(3) that otherwise, the contents of the report be noted.

**496 Year of Young People 2018 – Update on Inverclyde Plan 496**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) providing an update on the progress made in relation to Inverclyde's Year of Young People 2018 Plan and (2) informing Members of the planned activities for the remainder of the year.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Committee note the progress made to date on the actions outlined in Inverclyde's Year of Young People 2018 Plan;

(2) that the Committee note the planned activities and events due to take place before the end of the year;

(3) that an evaluation report on the Year of Young People be submitted to the

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Committee by February 2019; and

(4) that otherwise, the contents of the report be noted.

**497 Inverclyde Education Services: Parental Engagement Strategy 2018 - 2021 497**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking the Committee's approval for the use of the Parental Engagement Strategy appended to the report across all areas of Education.

**Decided:** that the Committee approve the proposed Parental Engagement Strategy 2018 – 2021 as set out in the appendix to the report.

Councillor McCabe left the meeting at this juncture.

**498 Action Taken to Finalise the Mapping of School Catchment Areas 498**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development informing the Committee of minor corrective steps undertaken at Dunnet Place, Greenock to finalise the school catchment area map for the Inverclyde website.

**Decided:** that the Committee note the action taken to ensure that Dunnet Place, Greenock is mapped to the correct catchment area.

**499 School Term Dates – Session 2019/20 499**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval for setting the school term dates for the session 2019/20.

The Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advised the Committee that the closing date for schools in the second term should be Thursday 2 April 2020 rather than Friday as set out in the report.

**Decided:** that the Committee approve the term dates for 2019/20 as set out in Appendix 1, it being noted that the closing date for schools in the second term is Thursday 2 April 2020.

Councillor Wilson left the meeting at this juncture.

**500 Access to Free Sanitary Products in Schools 500**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the implementation of the Scottish Government commitment to provide free access to sanitary products in schools and community facilities.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Council support the commitment to roll out access to free sanitary products across schools and colleges including access to sanitary products during term time at weekends and during the holiday periods; and

(2) that a report be submitted to the Committee in due course on the uptake of the provision and any impact on attendance rates.



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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 the heading to each item.

Item	Paragraph(s)
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Award of Contracts for the Provision of Transport for Children with Additional Support and/or Medical Needs for 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21	6 & 8
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Early Learning and Childcare, 1140 Hours: Gourock YAC Building	2, 6 & 9
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501	Award of Contracts for the Provision of Transport for Children with Additional Support and/or Medical Needs for 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21	501
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There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities advising the Committee of the use of the powers delegated to the Chief Executive to accept tenders for transport facilities for children with additional support and/or medical needs for school sessions 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21.

Councillor McVey declared a non-financial interest in this item as the holder of a taxi operator's licence within Inverclyde. 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 note the use of the emergency powers procedure to accept tenders for transport facilities for children with additional support and/or medical needs for schools sessions 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21 as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.

502	Early Learning and Childcare, 1140 Hours: Gourock YAC Building	502
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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on (1) the lease arrangements relative to the Gourock YAC building and (2) the implications of the proposals to increase early learning and childcare to 1140 hours on the operation of the football club at that location, as requested by the Committee at its meeting on 19 June 2018.

The Committee agreed to note the position and authorise action, all as detailed in the appendix.

## LOCAL REVIEW BODY – 5 SEPTEMBER 2018

Local Review BodyWednesday 5 September 2018 at 4pm

**Present:** Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Dorrian, McKenzie, Rebecchi and Wilson.

**Chair:** Councillor Wilson presided.

**In attendance:** Mr A Hamilton and Ms M Pickett (Regeneration & Planning), Mr J Kerr (Legal Adviser) and Ms K Macvey (Legal & Property Services).

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

**503 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 503**

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

No declarations of interest were intimated.

**504 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW 504**

**(a) Formation of driveway:  
24 Albert Road, Gourrock (18/0033/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the formation of driveway at 24 Albert Road, Gourrock (18/0033/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

Mr Hamilton acted as planning adviser in relation to this case.

After discussion Councillor Crowther 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:-

(i) that due to the removal of the front boundary wall as a result of the proposed development, it would not be sympathetic to the character, pattern of development and appearance of the Conservation Area and would thus be contrary to Policy HER1 and the guidance in Historic Environment Scotland's Policy Statement and guidance note on "Boundaries";

(ii) that due to the removal of the front boundary wall as a result of the proposed development it would neither safeguard nor enhance the character and amenity of the area and would thus be contrary to Policy RES1; and

(iii) on the grounds of road safety, as the depth and width of the proposed driveway does not meet the requirements of the Council's adopted roads guidance and is therefore likely to result in vehicles overhanging the footway, compromising road and pedestrian safety.

As an amendment, Councillor Clocherty 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 conditions detailed in the report.

On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors Crowther and Rebecchi voted in favour of the

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motion and 3 Members, Councillors Clocherty, Dorrian and McKenzie voted in favour of the amendment 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 subject to the following conditions:
  - (i) the gradient of the driveway hereby permitted will not exceed 10 per cent; and
  - (ii) the driveway hereby permitted will be paved for a minimum distance of 2 metres to prevent loose driveway material being spilled onto the road.

- (b) External alterations to former Church, comprising installation of UPVC windows and roof-mounted solar voltaic array: all in association with change of use to a café with ancillary display space (class 3) and a meeting room (class 4) at ground floor, and office space (class 4) at gallery level:  
Former Church, 1 West Shaw Street, Greenock (18/0026/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for external alterations to former Church, comprising installation of UPVC windows and roof-mounted solar voltaic array: all in association with change of use to a café and ancillary display space (class 3) and a meeting room (class 4) at ground floor, and office space (class 4) at gallery level at former Church, 1 West Shaw Street, Greenock (18/0026/IC).

Ms Pickett acted as planning adviser in relation to this case.

**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:-
  - (i) that the development shall not commence until an Environmental Investigation and Risk Assessment, including any necessary Remediation Scheme 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 current codes of practice. The submission shall also include a Verification Plan. Any subsequent modifications to the Remediation Scheme and Verification Plan must be approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation;
  - (ii) that before the development hereby permitted is occupied the applicant shall submit a report for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority, confirming that the works have been completed in accordance with the agreed Remediation Scheme and supply information as agreed in the Verification Plan. This report shall demonstrate that no pollutant linkages remain or are likely to occur and include (but not 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 material source, volume, intended use and chemical quality with plans delineating placement and thickness;
  - (iii) that the presence of any previously unrecorded contamination or variation to anticipated ground conditions that becomes evident during site works shall be brought to the attention of the Planning Authority and the Remediation Scheme shall not be implemented unless it has been submitted to and approved, in writing by the Planning

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Authority;

(iv) the development shall not commence until a detailed specification regarding the collection, treatment and disposal of cooking odours has been submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority. Such specification shall include precise details on the location of equipment used for the cooking and heating of food, canopies, grease filters, rates of air movement over the canopy, make-up air, air disposal points etc;

(v) the applicant shall 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 development 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; and

(vi) the flue must be suitably insulated or isolated.

## GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 12 SEPTEMBER 2018

General Purposes BoardWednesday 12 September 2018 at 3pm

**Present:** Provost Brennan, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Crowther, Curley, Dorrian, Jackson, MacLeod, Moran, Quinn and Robertson.

**Chair:** Councillor Dorrian presided.

**In attendance:** Mr D Keenan (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms F Denver (Legal & Property Services) and Inspector L McLaren (Police Scotland).

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

**505 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 505**

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor McEleny with Councillor Robertson substituting.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

**506 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 Appointment and Revocation of Taxi Stance Cathcart Street/Bank Street, Greenock 506**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services requesting the Board to consider relocation of the taxi stance at Bank Street, Greenock to Cathcart Street, Greenock to facilitate an improved traffic management area and workable stance servicing this part of the town centre.

Mr Keenan advised that this item was considered at the meeting on 8 August 2018 where Members agreed to continue consideration and request an Officer from Environmental & Public Protection be in attendance to provide further information and a plan of the proposals. Mr Keenan intimated that Ms E Provan from Environmental & Public Protection was in attendance.

The Board heard from Ms Provan on the proposals and relocation of the taxi stance.

**Decided:** agree the proposals outlined in the report and to revoke the Bank Street, Greenock taxi stance for two taxis and appoint a new taxi stance for three taxis at Cathcart Street, Greenock.

**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.**

**507 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence 507**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence which was granted, all as detailed in the

appendix.

**508 Application for Renewal of Taxi Driver's Licence**

**508**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on an application for renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence which was granted, all as detailed in the appendix.

**PETITIONS COMMITTEE – 13 SEPTEMBER 2018**

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**Petitions Committee**

**Thursday 13 September 2018 at 3pm**

**Present:** Councillors Curley, Jackson, MacLeod, McVey and Clocherty (for Murphy).

**Chair:** Councillor MacLeod presided.

**In attendance:** Mr P MacDonald (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services) and Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications).

**In attendance also:** Mr K Lang (Environmental & Public Protection).

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

**509      Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest      509**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Murphy, with Councillor Clocherty substituting, and Councillor Brooks.

Councillor MacLeod declared an interest in Agenda Item 3 (Save Lamonts Pier).

**510      Petitions Update Report      510**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services updating the Committee on the position relative to petitions previously reported on and new petitions received since the last meeting.

**Decided:** that the position relative to petitions previously reported on and new petitions received since the last meeting of the Committee be noted.

**511      Petition for Consideration      511**  
**Save Lamonts Pier**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services providing details of a petition calling for action to be taken to preserve and restore Lamonts Pier, Port Glasgow.

Councillor MacLeod declared a non-financial interest in this item as having raised concerns regarding the condition of Lamonts Pier a number of years ago as Ward Councillor. 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.

The report advised that the petition met the petitions criteria and had received the level of public support required in terms of the approved petitions procedures.

The Committee heard Mr K Lang for Environmental and Public Protection and Councillor McKenzie as Ward Councillor.

Following discussion, Councillor McVey moved that the Committee reject the petition, bringing matters to an end.

As an amendment, Councillor Clocherty moved that the Committee remit to the appropriate Council service to provide a report to a future meeting of the Environment & Regeneration Committee on the ownership position in relation to the pier and the extent

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of any Council liabilities in respect of the same.

On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors McVey and Jackson voted in favour of the motion and 3 Members, Councillors Clocherty, Curley and MacLeod voted in favour of the amendment which was declared carried.

**Decided:** that the Committee remit to the appropriate Council service to provide a report to a future meeting of the Environment & Regeneration Committee on the ownership position in relation to the pier and the extent of any Council liabilities in respect of the same.



**POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 18 SEPTEMBER 2018**

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**Policy & Resources Committee**

**Tuesday 18 September 2018 at 3pm**

**Present:** Councillors Ahlfeld, Clocherty, Crowther (for MacLeod), McCabe, McCormick, C McEleny, McVey, Moran, Rebecchi, Robertson and Wilson.

**Chair:** Councillor McCabe presided.

**In attendance:** Chief Executive, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Chief Financial Officer, Ms T Bunton and Ms A Locke (Finance Services), Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications, Head of Health & Community Care, Environmental Services Manager, Corporate Procurement Manager, Corporate Policy & Partnership Manager, Service Manager (Inequalities, Migration and Strategic Housing) and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

**512      Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest      512**

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor MacLeod, with Councillor Crowther substituting.

Councillors Ahlfeld and Robertson declared an interest in Agenda Item 11 (Annual Procurement Report).

**513      Policy & Resources Capital Programme 2018/21 – Progress Report      513**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) providing an update in respect of 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 2018/21 Capital Programme, the reported net slippage and the progress of the specific projects detailed in the report and Appendix 1.

**514      2018/21 Capital Programme      514**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the latest position of the 2018/21 Capital Programme.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee grant approval for the 2018/19 Capital Budget to be restated to reflect the information omitted at the time the budget was approved; and
- (2) that otherwise, the Committee note the current position of the Capital Programme 2018/21.

## POLICY &amp; RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 18 SEPTEMBER 2018

- 515 Policy & Resources Committee 2018/19 Revenue Budget – Period 4 to 31 July 2018 515**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and the Chief Financial Officer on the 2017/18 Revenue Budget outturn and the 2018/19 projected outturn for the Policy & Resources Committee as at Period 4, 31 July 2018.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the 2017/18 Revenue Budget outturn and the 2018/19 projected underspend of £465,000 for the Policy & Resources Committee as at Period 4, 31 July 2018; and
- (2) that the Committee note the projected 2018/19 surplus of £16,640 for the Common Good Fund and that action was agreed as part of the 2018/19 Budget to begin to increase the fund balance to its recommended level.
- 516 2018/19 General Fund Revenue Budget as at 31 July 2018 516**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the position of the General Fund Revenue Budget as at 31 July 2018 and (2) providing an update in respect of the position of the General Fund Reserves and Earmarked Reserves.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the latest position of the 2018/19 Revenue Budget and General Fund Reserves; and
- (2) that the Committee note that the use of any Free Reserves will be considered as part of the 2019/20 Budget process.
- 517 Debt Recovery Performance 2017/18 517**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the Council's Debt Recovery performance during 2017/18.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee welcome the Council's continued good debt recovery performance in 2017/18 as set out in the report; and
- (2) that the Committee's appreciation be extended to the staff involved.
- 518 Customer Services Strategy/Annual Performance Update 518**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) seeking approval for the 2018/21 Customer Services Strategy and the resultant Action Plan and (2) providing an update on the Customer Service Centre (CSC) performance for 2017/18.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee approve the 2018/21 Customer Services Strategy and associated Action Plan;
- (2) that the Committee note the positive progress made in continuing to deliver the CSC Action Plan and the plans for further improvement/development in 2018/21; and
- (3) that the Committee note the ongoing impact of Welfare Reform changes, particularly Universal Credit (UC) including the new Scottish Social Security Agency, on the workload/service delivery within the Customer Service Centre.

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- 519 Welfare Reforms Update 519**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer providing an update on the impacts of the UK Government's Welfare Reforms and recent national publications on Universal Credit and the Scottish Welfare Fund.
- Decided:** that the Committee note the various matters highlighted in the report relative to Welfare Reforms and that a further update will be submitted to the November meeting of the Committee.
- 520 Education, Communities & Organisational Development and Environment, Regeneration & Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plans - Annual Review 520**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the annual review of the Education, Communities & Organisational Development and Environment, Regeneration & Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plans (CDIPs).
- Decided:** that the Committee approve the refreshed Education, Communities & Organisational Development and Environment, Regeneration & Resources CDIPs for the period 2018/19, appended to the report.
- 521 Inverclyde's Best Value Assurance Report Improvement Plan Progress Report 521**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive providing an update on the Inverclyde Best Value Assurance Report (BVAR) Improvement Plan for Inverclyde Council.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the progress made with regard to the BVAR improvement actions set out in Appendix 1 to the report; and
  - (2) that it be agreed that a progress report be submitted to the Committee every six months.
- 522 Annual Procurement Report 522**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) seeking approval to publish the Annual Procurement Report set out in Appendix 1 and (2) providing an update on the latest spend with local and SME suppliers.
- 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:**
- (1) that the Committee approve the Annual Procurement Report for publication on the Council's website;
  - (2) that the Committee note the latest spend with SMEs and local suppliers;
  - (3) that the regular Riverside Inverclyde update reports submitted to the Environment & Regeneration Committee include information on local supplier procurement spend; and

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(4) that it be noted that regular reports will be submitted to the Environment & Regeneration Committee on Community Benefit outcomes.

**523 2019/20 Budget Strategy****523**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer seeking approval for various aspects of the 2019/20 Revenue Budget Strategy in order that Officers can progress actions and finalise the timetable for delivery of the budget.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee agree the report and specifically:
  - (a) that the budget be developed on the basis of a one year (2019/20) budget with the opportunity for Members to take decisions beyond this time, should sufficient information become available;
  - (b) that no Voluntary Early Release (VER) trawls or decisions on specific savings be taken until there is greater certainty on the overall funding gap;
  - (c) that Officers progress a budget consultation with the public and employees as set out in Appendix 3;
- (2) that the Committee agree the adjustments valued at £331,000 contained in Appendix 4; and
- (3) that the Committee note the current position of the 2018/19 pay negotiations and the potential impact on the 2019/20 funding gap.

**524 Council Response to Non-Domestic Rates (NDR) Consultation – Barclay Review****524**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer seeking approval for a response to the Scottish Government's consultation on proposed changes to Non-Domestic Rates arising from the Barclay Review.

**Decided:** that the Committee approve the response to the current Non-Domestic Rates consultation appended to the report and approve its submission to the Scottish Government by 19 September 2018.

**525 Councils' Use of Arm's-Length Organisations – Report by the Accounts Commission****525**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) advising the Committee of a recent report by the Accounts Commission on the use of Arm's-Length Organisations (ALEOs) and (2) highlighting relevant matters.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the Accounts Commission report 'Councils' Use of Arm's-Length Organisations' and the matters raised in the report; and
- (2) that the Committee approve the action set out by Officers in Appendix 2 and note that progress on these actions will be reported back as part of the annual governance of external organisations.

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**526 The Fairer Scotland Duty**

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications informing the Committee of the Fairer Scotland Duty arising from Part 1 of the Equality Act 2010 which came into force in Scotland in April 2018 and which places a legal responsibility on public bodies in Scotland actively to consider how they can reduce inequalities of outcome caused by socio-economic disadvantage when making strategic decisions.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report;
- (2) that the Committee agree that the appropriate Officer referred to in paragraph 4.1 of the report be the Corporate Policy Officer with responsibility for Equalities, with support from the Corporate Policy Officer – Poverty;
- (3) that the Committee agree the addition of the Fairer Scotland Duty into the Equalities Implications section of the Council report template; and
- (4) that the Committee agree the integration of the Fairer Scotland Duty into the Council's current Equality Impact Assessment process.

**527 Tail o' The Bank Credit Union**

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on progress relative to the establishment of school-based credit union accounts and the continued development to encourage a savings mentality and positive culture of financial awareness through the Curriculum for Excellence.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee note that all schools will continue to support and encourage the promotion of credit union accounts; and
- (2) that the Committee note that all schools will be encouraged to continue to use curriculum-based activities and develop other financial initiatives and approaches to tackle child poverty across Inverclyde.

**528 European Charter of Local Self Government – Private Member's Bill**

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services outlining a possible response by the Council to the consultation invited by Andy Wightman MSP relative to his proposal for a Private Member's Bill for the Scottish Parliament to consider the incorporation of a European Charter of Local Self Government into law in Scotland.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee note the consultation document and relative questionnaire; and
- (2) that the Committee approve the consultation response outlined in Appendix 2.

**529 Remembrance Commemorations**

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications (1) advising Members of the plans to commemorate Remembrance Sunday and the additional 'Battle's Over' commemorations and (2) setting out opportunities to support the commemorations and RAF 100.

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**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee note the additional 'Battle's Over' arrangements being held at Lyle Hill in addition to the acts of commemoration in towns and villages across Inverclyde;
- (2) that the Committee approve the purchase and installation of seven silhouetted figures known as "Tommys" to be sited close to the existing war memorials to support the 'There But Not There' campaign;
- (3) that the Committee support the additional activities to support RAF 100 and the work of the Air Force Cadets locally;
- (4) that the Committee approve the support for Poppy Scotland, including the projections at Cowan's Corner and authorise Officers to examine opportunities for further use of projection equipment; and
- (5) that a report be submitted to the Committee on the Canadian Armed Forces' connection to the local area and the appropriateness of including a Canadian government representative in future remembrance commemorations.

**530      Ward 7 Community Facilities Review: Remit from Education & Communities Committee      530**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Education & Communities Committee of 4 September 2018 requesting the Committee to approve a one-off investment in relation to the proposed Grieve Road Community Centre improvements arising from the review of Ward 7 community facilities.

**Decided:** that the matter be referred to the Members' Budget Working Group for consideration as part of the budget process.

**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 determine the action to be taken in relation to service delivery options at the earliest opportunity.**

**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 undernoted item of business on the grounds that consideration of the item involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in Paragraphs 1, 6, 8 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.**

**531      Greenlight – Service Delivery Options      531**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing an update on the actions taken by Officers as a result of Greenlight Environmental Ltd going into administration on 31 August 2018.

The Committee agreed to the action recommended in respect of future service delivery options, all as detailed in the appendix.