

ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 30 AUGUST 2018

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.

Item	Paragraph(s)
Clune Park Regeneration Plan Progress Report – Update on Current Actions	6, 9, 12 & 13

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

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.