

APPOINTMENT PANEL – HEAD OF EDUCATION

Appointment Panel**Head of Education****Tuesday 11 September 2018 at 4.45pm**

Present: Councillors J Clocherty, L Quinn and E Robertson, Mr A Fawcett, Chief Executive and Ms R Binks, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development.

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

Chair: Mr Fawcett presided.

Apologies: Mr S Allan, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources.

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.

532 Shortlisting and Arrangements for Interview of Applicants – Post of Head of Education 532

There were submitted copies of applications received from five candidates for the post of Head of Education.

The Panel decided to call a shortlist of four candidates for interview and thereafter to make an appointment, all as detailed in the appendix.

APPOINTMENT PANEL – HEAD OF EDUCATION

Appointment Panel**Head of Education****Wednesday 26 September 2018 at 9am**

Present: Councillors J Clocherty, L Quinn and E Robertson, Mr A Fawcett, Chief Executive, Ms R Binks, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and Mr S Allan, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources.

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

Chair: Mr Fawcett 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.

533 Appointment of Head of Education**533**

The Panel interviewed four candidates, agreed not to make an appointment and to re-advertise the position at a later date, all as detailed in the appendix.

LOCAL POLICE & FIRE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 27 SEPTEMBER 2018

Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Committee

Thursday 27 September 2018 at 2pm

Present: Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Curley, Jackson, MacLeod, J McEleny, McVey, McCabe (for Moran), Quinn and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor McVey presided.

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

In attendance also: Chief Superintendent S Carle, Superintendent D Lang and Chief Inspector D Reilly (Police Scotland), Area Manager G Binning and Group Manager D McCarrey (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service).

Prior to the commencement of business, the Convener welcomed to the meeting, Chief Inspector Debbie Reilly, the newly appointed Local Commander.

Councillor McVey also asked that the Committee's best wishes be conveyed to Constables Kenny MacKenzie and Laura Sayer for their continued recovery following the attack on 1 June and Chief Inspector Reilly undertook to do this.

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

534 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 534

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Moran, with Councillor McCabe substituting, and Councillor Murphy.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

535 Local Police and Fire Scrutiny Committee Update Report 535

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on current and emerging issues relating to both Police and Fire and Rescue Services.

Decided:

- (1) that the information contained in the report in respect of current and emerging national issues relating to Police and Fire and Rescue matters be noted; and
- (2) that a report be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee on the scrutiny arrangements in respect of the Scottish Ambulance Service.

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536 Scottish Police Authority Annual Review of Policing 2017/18 - Consultation Response 536

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval of a response made to the Scottish Police Authority in respect of the Annual Review of Policing 2017/18.

Decided:

- (1) that approval be given to the response made to the Scottish Police Authority in respect of the Annual Review of Policing 2017/18; and
- (2) that arrangements be put in place with a view to establishing a dialogue between the Convener of the Committee and the Chair of the Scottish Police Authority Board.

537 Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership Governance Arrangements 537

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of governance arrangements in respect of the Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership.

Decided: that the governance arrangements for the Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership be noted.

538 Roads Policing – New Structure 538

Chief Superintendent Stewart Carle provided the Committee with a briefing on the new Roads Policing arrangements which will result in the relocation of the Roads Policing Unit to Govan.

He indicated that he understood Members' concern regarding the proposed restructure but explained that the move would achieve economies of scale and provide greater resilience in Inverclyde and throughout the Division. There would now be a 3 group rather than 5 group pattern (with 9 sergeants and 69 constables across three shifts), providing 24/7 coverage for K Division.

Under the new arrangements, on a seven day basis, a vehicle would be dispatched to operate solely in K Division and at night there would be a dedicated car in the area, freeing up local constables for other duties. Community Policing would be responsible for speed monitoring work.

He accepted that travel time had to be taken into consideration but indicated that when the analysis had been carried out, the majority of incidents in K Division had been in Renfrew and at Glasgow Airport with fewer than a third of all incidents taking place within Inverclyde Council boundaries.

Chief Superintendent Carle answered a number of questions in relation to his briefing and confirmed that the position would be reviewed after six months of operation, involving scrutiny against trends and incidents. He confirmed that the Committee would be advised of the results of the review.

539 Police Scotland Performance Report 539

There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of Police Scotland during the reporting period 1 April to 31 July 2018.

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

Decided:

- (1) that the information contained in the report be noted;
- (2) that future reports include year-on-year statistics for comparison purposes;

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(3) that future reports include information on the deployment of tasers and armed response incidents; and

(4) that it be noted that a report will be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee on youth gatherings and anti-social behaviour.

540 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Performance Report**540**

There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service during the reporting period 1 April to 30 June 2018.

Decided: that the information contained in the report be noted.

THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL – 27 SEPTEMBER 2018

The Inverclyde Council

Thursday 27 September 2018 at 4pm

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

Chair: Provost Brennan presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms S Lang and Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services), Chief Financial Officer, Mr M Thomson and Ms C Alderson (Finance Services), Head of Environmental & Public Protection, Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications and Corporate Communications Manager.

In attendance also: Mr D Jamieson and Mr T Yule, Audit Scotland.

541 Apologies and Declarations of Interest

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An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor C McEleny.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 4 (ICE Catering Vehicles - Town Hall Functions: Immunity from Parking Violation Penalties – Notice of Motion by Councillor Ahlfeld) – Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty and J McEleny.

Agenda Item 7 (Motion by Poppyscotland's 'Count Them In' Campaign – Request from Councillor McCabe) – Councillor Brooks.

Agenda Item 15 (Installation of Memorial Window in the McLean Museum and Art Gallery – Remit from Education & Communities Committee) – Councillor Moran.

542 Annual Report to Elected Members and the Controller of Audit for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2018

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive presenting the Annual Report to Elected Members and the Controller of Audit for the financial year to 31 March 2018.

Mr David Jamieson and Mr Tommy Yule of Audit Scotland were present, spoke to the report and answered a number of questions from Members.

(Councillor Murphy entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided:

(1) that the contents of the Annual Report to Members and the Controller of Audit for the financial year ended 31 March 2018 be endorsed and that the Action Plan in Appendix 1 of the Annual Report be approved;

(2) that the Annual Accounts for Inverclyde Council for the financial year 2017/18 be endorsed and that approval be granted for the signing of the accounts by the Council Leader, Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officer; and

(3) that the letter of representation in Appendix 3 be endorsed and that the signing of the letter by the Chief Financial Officer be approved.

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The Council adjourned at 4.20pm to allow the signing of the various documents in connection with the previous item and reconvened at 4.30pm.

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

543	Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Sub-Committee – 7 June 2018	543
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.	
544	The Inverclyde Council – 7 June 2018	544
	Approved on the motion of Provost Brennan.	
545	General Purposes Board – 13 June 2018	545
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.	
546	Appointment Panel – Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development – 14 June 2018	546
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.	
547	Planning Board – 14 June 2018	547
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson.	
548	Health & Social Care Committee (Special) – 18 June 2018	548
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Moran.	
549	Education & Communities Committee (Special) – 19 June 2018	549
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.	
550	Grants Sub Committee – 20 June 2018	550
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Brooks.	
551	Grants Sub Committee – 26 June 2018	551
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Brooks.	
552	Appointment Panel – Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development – 27 June 2018	552
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.	
553	Audit Committee (Special) – 28 June 2018	553
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Rebecchi.	

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554	The Inverclyde Council (Special) – 28 June 2018	554
	Approved on the motion of Provost Brennan.	
555	Planning Board – 1 August 2018	555
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson.	
556	Policy & Resources Committee – 7 August 2018	556
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.	
557	General Purposes Board – 8 August 2018	557
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.	
558	Audit Committee – 21 August 2018	558
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Rebecchi.	
559	Health & Social Care Committee – 23 August 2018	559
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Moran.	
560	Environment & Regeneration Committee – 30 August 2018	560
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Jackson.	
561	Education & Communities Committee – 4 September 2018	561
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.	
562	Local Review Body – 5 September 2018	562
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson.	
563	General Purposes Board – 12 September 2018	563
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.	
564	Petitions Committee – 13 September 2018	564
	Approved on the motion of Councillor MacLeod.	
565	Policy & Resources Committee – 18 September 2018	565
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.	

566 ICE Catering – Town Hall Functions: Immunity from Parking Violation Penalties – Notice of Motion by Councillor Ahlfeld 566

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising the Council of the receipt of a Notice of Motion by Councillor Ahlfeld, countersigned by Councillor McVey, submitted in terms of Standing Order 22 in the following terms:

'That ICE catering vehicles be given immunity from being issued with parking violation penalties while engaged in commissioned work at Greenock Town Hall'.

Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty and J McEleny declared a non-financial interest in this item as members of the Board 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.

Following discussion, Councillor Clocherty seconded by Councillor Curley moved that a report be submitted to the next meeting of the Environment & Regeneration Committee exploring all options in relation to the matters raised in the Notice of Motion, having regard to the townscape heritage and needs of businesses.

As an amendment, Councillor Quinn seconded by Councillor McKenzie moved that any contracted supplier be given access to the tunnel at the Greenock Town Hall to enable them to unload goods in relation to their commissioned work with access being granted to one vehicle only per supplier per time.

On a vote, 7 Members, Councillors Ahlfeld, McKenzie, McVey, Quinn, Brooks, Wilson and Nelson voted in favour of the amendment and 14 Members, Provost Brennan, Councillors Clocherty, Dorrian, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, Moran, Murphy, Rebecchi, Crowther, Curley, MacLeod, J McEleny and Robertson voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried.

Decided: that a report be submitted to the next meeting of the Environment & Regeneration Committee exploring all options in relation to the matters raised in the Notice of Motion, having regard to the townscape heritage and needs of businesses.

567 SNP Group – Changes to Committee Membership and Outside Body Representation 567

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources requesting the Council to consider a number of changes proposed by the SNP Group to membership of committees and outside bodies.

Decided: that agreement be given to the following changes to SNP Group representation on committees and outside bodies.

Health & Social Care Committee – Councillor C McEleny to be replaced by Councillor Crowther.

Environment & Regeneration Committee – Councillor Crowther to be replaced by Councillor C McEleny.

Inverclyde Alcohol and Drugs Partnership – Councillor MacLeod to be replaced by Councillor Crowther.

Inverclyde Integration Joint Board – Councillor MacLeod to be replaced by Councillor Robertson, with Councillor Crowther as Councillor Robertson's proxy.

River Clyde Homes Board – Councillor C McEleny to be replaced by Councillor Crowther.

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- 568 Councillor McCabe – Resignation from Outside Bodies 568**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) advising of Councillor McCabe’s resignation from a number of outside bodies and (2) requesting the Council to appoint Members to serve on these outside bodies in his place.
- Decided:** that the following appointments be made to outside bodies following the resignation of Councillor McCabe:
Greenock Arts Guild Board – Councillor Clocherty.
Kilmacolm Community Centre Co Ltd – Councillor Curley.
River Clyde Homes Board – Provost Brennan.
- 569 Motion by Poppyscotland’s ‘Count Them In’ Campaign – Request from Councillor McCabe 569**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising the Council of a request received from Councillor McCabe that consideration be given to a motion from Poppyscotland relative to the organisation’s ‘Count Them In’ Campaign.
- Councillor Brooks declared a non-financial interest in this item as a volunteer for Poppyscotland. 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 approval be given to the following motion:
 ‘The Council supports Poppyscotland’s ‘Count Them In’ Campaign which aims to see the inclusion of an Armed Forces question in the next Census in 2021. The Council notes that there is currently very limited information about where our veterans now live and what support they may need and believes that gathering this information through the Census will allow for an improved understanding of this unique community and ensure that the Council, alongside others, can ensure that we are fully meeting the needs of our serving personnel, veterans and their families. The Council therefore instructs the Chief Executive to write to Poppyscotland, the local constituency and regional MSPs within the local authority area to inform them of the Council’s support.’
- 570 Joint Collaboration with West Dunbartonshire Council – Strategic Leadership 570**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) providing an update on the Shared Roads and Transportation Project with West Dunbartonshire Council and (2) outlining the next steps in the process.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the position in relation to the Shared Roads and Transportation Services as outlined in the report be noted;
 - (2) that approval be given to a revised approach involving the progression of a Shared Strategic Lead (Head of Service) leading on collaboration across two separate services in the two Councils as opposed to a shared service;
 - (3) that the action to continue with the recruitment of a Strategic Lead Officer as previously agreed by the Council on 22 February 2018 be noted;
 - (4) that approval be given to the governance of the revised arrangement which will be through the two Councils within the Shared Service Joint Committee; and
 - (5) that it be noted that a meeting of the Shared Service Joint Committee will be organised for a future date to provide an update on revised arrangements and continued discussions on potential joint working with East Dunbartonshire Council.

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- 571 Treasury Management – Annual Report 2017/18 – Remit from Policy & Resources Committee 571**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Policy & Resources Committee of 7 August 2018 requesting the Council to approve the Treasury Management Annual Report 2017/18.
Decided: that approval be given to the Treasury Management Annual Report 2017/18.
- 572 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip and Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 4) Order 2018 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 572**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 30 August 2018 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip and Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 4) Order 2018.
Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip and Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 4) 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.
- 573 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip and Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 5) Order 2018 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 573**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 30 August 2018 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip and Wemyss Bay) (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) (Gourock, Inverkip and Wemyss Bay) (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.
- 574 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 8) Order 2018 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 574**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 30 August 2018 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 8) Order 2018.
Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 8) 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

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connection therewith.

- 575 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On Street) Order No. 2 2018 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 575**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 30 August 2018 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On Street) Order No. 2 2018.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On Street) Order No. 2 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.

- 576 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On Street) Order No. 3 2018 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 576**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 30 August 2018 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On Street) Order No. 3 2018.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On Street) Order No. 3 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.

- 577 Installation of Memorial Window in the McLean Museum and Art Gallery – Remit from Education & Communities Committee 577**

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 Council, as Trustees of the Watt Institution, to approve the proposed 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, it being noted that all costs for the design, construction and installation of the window will be borne by the Greenock Dardanelles Memorial Fund.

Councillor Moran declared a non-financial interest in the item as a patron of the fundraising committee. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision making process.

Decided: that the Council, as Trustees of the Watt Institution, approve the proposed installation of a commemorative stained glass window in the McLean Museum and Art Gallery.

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 Minute.

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Appendices to Minutes

578	General Purposes Board – 13 June 2018	578
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.	
579	Appointment Panel – Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development – 14 June 2018	579
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.	
580	Appointment Panel – Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development – 27 June 2018	580
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.	
581	Policy & Resources Committee – 7 August 2018	581
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.	
582	General Purposes Board – 8 August 2018	582
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.	
583	Audit Committee – 21 August 2018	583
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Rebecchi.	
584	Environment & Regeneration Committee – 30 August 2018	584
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Jackson.	
585	Education & Communities Committee – 4 September 2018	585
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.	
586	General Purposes Board – 12 September 2018	586
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.	
587	Policy & Resources Committee – 18 September 2018	587
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.	

AUDIT COMMITTEE – 9 OCTOBER 2018

Audit Committee

Tuesday 9 October 2018 at 3pm

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

Chair: Councillor Rebecchi presided.

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

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

588 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 588

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor McCabe, with Councillor Jackson substituting and Councillor J McEleny, with Councillor Crowther substituting, and Councillors Murphy and Nelson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

589 Internal Audit Progress Report – 30 July to 14 September 2018 589

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 July to 14 September 2018.

Decided: that the monitoring report in respect of Internal Audit activity for the period 30 July to 14 September 2018 be noted.

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.

590 Internal Audit Progress Report - Appendix 590

There was submitted an appendix to the Internal Audit Progress Report providing an update on the special investigation undertaken since the last meeting of the Committee.

Decided: that the appendix be noted.

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 10 OCTOBER 2018

General Purposes Board

Wednesday 10 October 2018 at 3pm

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

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr D Keenan (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms L Carrick (Legal & Property Services).

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

591 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 591

There were no apologies, substitutions or declarations of interest intimated to the Board.

592 Taxi Fares Review 2018 592

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services requesting the Board to determine the taxi fares and scales following the annual review.

Mr Keenan advised the Board that no objection or representations were received within the statutory time period of one month following the date of advertisement.

Decided: that it be remitted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to make the necessary arrangements to implement the new taxi fares and scales charges.

593 Application for the Grant of a Late Hours Catering Licence 593
McDonalds Restaurants, Greenock Road, Port Glasgow

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on an application for the grant of a Late Hours Catering Licence by Leven Vale Restaurants Ltd. The application was referred to the Board as the hours applied for were outwith the Council's custom and practice for such licences.

Mr J Guy, Solicitor Advocate, Anderson Strathern was in attendance representing Leven Vale Restaurants Ltd.

Mr Tomlis and Ms McNeil were also in attendance for Leven Vale Restaurants Ltd.

Mr Keenan advised the Board on the background of the report.

The Board heard Mr Guy in support of the application.

Following discussion, Councillor Brooks moved that the application be granted. As an amendment, Councillor Curley moved that the application be refused. On a vote, 4 Members, Councillors Curley, Jackson, Moran and MacLeod voted in favour of the amendment and 5 Members, Councillors Brooks, Crowther, Dorrian, J McEleny and Quinn voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried.

Councillors Ahlfeld and MacLeod abstained from voting.

Decided: that the application be granted.

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE COMMITTEE – 11 OCTOBER 2018

Health & Social Care Committee

Thursday 11 October 2018 at 1pm

Present: Provost Brennan (for Councillor McCabe), Councillors Wilson (for Brooks), Crowther, Dorrian, Jackson, MacLeod, McKenzie, Moran, Quinn and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Moran presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Head of Health & Community Care, Head of Mental Health, Addictions & Homelessness, Head of Strategy & Support Services, Head of Children's Services & Criminal Justice, Service Manager (Assessment & Care), Ms F McLaren (for Chief Financial Officer), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services).

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| 594 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 594 |
| | <p>Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Brooks, with Councillor Wilson substituting, Councillor McCabe, with Provost Brennan substituting, and Councillor Robertson.</p> <p>Councillor MacLeod declared an interest in Agenda Item 12 (Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations).</p> | |
| 595 | Revenue and Capital Budget Report – 2018/19 Revenue Projected Outturn as at 31 August 2018 | 595 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership and the Chief Financial Officer on the projected outturn on Revenue and Capital for 2018/19 as at 31 August 2018.
(Councillor Quinn entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business).</p> <p>Decided:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) that the projected underspend of £80,000 in the current year Revenue Budget as at 31 August 2018 be noted; (2) that the virements listed in Appendix 6 be approved; (3) that the current projected Capital position be noted; and (4) that the current Earmarked Reserves position be noted. | |
| 596 | HSCP Annual Complaint Report 2017 – 2018 | 596 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership advising the Committee of the annual performance of Health and Statutory Social Work complaints within Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership.</p> <p>Decided: that the annual performance of the Inverclyde HSCP Integrated Complaints Procedure be noted.</p> | |

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- 597 HSCP Advice Service Biennial Report 2016/18 597**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) providing an update on the activities of Inverclyde HSCP Advice Service and (2) highlighting the different ways in which Social Security benefit, money and debt advice and assistance have been provided to the citizens of Inverclyde.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the contents of the HSCP Advice Service Biennial Report 2016/18 be agreed for publication on the Council's website; and
 - (2) that the Committee's appreciation be conveyed to all relevant staff for the results achieved in the reporting period.
- 598 Inspection of Residential Children's Services 598**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership advising the Committee of the outcome of the Care Inspectorate unannounced inspection of Kylemore residential childcare service completed on 17 August 2018. The report advised that the Service had achieved a grade of 6 (excellent) for Care and Support and 6 for Environment.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the outcome of the inspection report be noted; and
 - (2) that the Committee's appreciation for the grades achieved be conveyed to all the staff and young people involved.
- 599 Scoping of the Care Homes Market 599**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing (1) an overview of the current nursing and residential care home market within Inverclyde, (2) an update on the feasibility of constructing and running a care home as an in-house provision, and (3) an overview of the current issues in relation to the provision of nursing and residential care home places in Inverclyde.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the contents of the report and the outcome of the feasibility study into the provision of long term care for older people be noted;
 - (2) that agreement be given to the recommendation not to pursue the development of a Council facility at this time; and
 - (3) that a report be submitted to the Committee in early 2019 on measures to counteract social isolation experienced by older people in the community, the report to include an evaluation of any programmes already in place.
- 600 Inverclyde HSCP Strategic Plan 2019 – 2022 600**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the proposed process for developing the second Inverclyde HSCP Strategic Plan which requires to be approved by the Integration Joint Board before the end of March 2019.
- Decided:** that the proposed approach to developing the second HSCP Strategic Plan as detailed in the report be noted.

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- 601 Five Year Mental Health Strategy 601**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) on the development of a whole system five year strategy for Mental Health Services and (2) advising of the new Mental Health monies available and the plan for the use of these monies.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the report and proposals outlined in the accompanying Action 15 Plan for Inverclyde be noted;
 - (2) that agreement be given to the strategic direction outlined in the Action 15 Implementation Plan; and
 - (3) that a further report be submitted to the Committee on Mental Health and Wellbeing, including information on any established correlation between Mental Health and Welfare Reform.
- 602 Big Lottery: Women’s Project Update 602**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the progress of Inverclyde HSCP Women’s Project following the receipt of Big Lottery Early Action Systems Change Fund in the category of Women and Criminal Justice.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the contents of the report and the strategic direction presented for taking forward the Women’s Project be agreed;
 - (2) that a further report be submitted to the Committee providing an update on the progress of the project; and
 - (3) that delegated authority be granted to the Chief Social Work Officer to submit a delivery plan to the Big Lottery in November 2018.
- 603 Transport Resilience – Adverse Weather 603**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update in relation to the key learning from the adverse weather conditions during the winter period, including resilience across the HSCP services in respect of 4x4 transport.
- Decided:**
- (1) that approval be given to a review of current vehicle stock across the HSCP with a view to securing an appropriate number of vehicles with 4x4 capability within the available budget and that training be provided to relevant staff as appropriate; and
 - (2) that the efforts made by staff to continue to provide services across Inverclyde during the adverse weather be noted.
- 604 Standard Operating Procedure for the Provision of Christmas Lunch/Dinner or Vouchers 604**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership advising the Committee of the standard operating procedure for the annual provision of Christmas lunch/dinner or vouchers to vulnerable groups of people living within the Inverclyde area.
- Decided:** that agreement be given to the standard operating procedure for the provision

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of Christmas lunch/dinner or vouchers for Inverclyde's older people as set out in the report, subject to transitional arrangements being approved at the discretion of the Chief Officer, Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership to ensure continuity for as yet non-constituted clubs or organisations for the Christmas 2018 arrangements.

Councillor Wilson left the meeting at this juncture.

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.

605 Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations**605**

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 MacLeod declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Non-Executive Director of Parklea Association. 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 governance report as set out in Appendix 1 covering the period 21 July to 7 September 2018 be noted; and
- (2) that Members acknowledge that Officers regard the control mechanisms in place through the governance meetings as sufficiently robust to ensure ongoing quality and safety and the fostering of a commissioning culture of continuous improvement.

ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 25 OCTOBER 2018

Environment & Regeneration Committee

Thursday 25 October 2018 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty, Curley, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, C McEleny, J McEleny, McKenzie and Nelson.

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

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

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

606 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

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No apologies for absence were intimated.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 4 (Town and Villages Environmental Improvements Update) – Councillors Clocherty, McKenzie and Nelson.

Agenda Item 6 (Scheme of Assistance (Section 72 Statement) – Updated Statement) – Councillor Curley

Agenda Item 10 (Loading and Servicing Arrangements for Town Hall) – Councillors Clocherty, Ahlfeld, Brooks and J McEleny.

Agenda Item 14 (Workforce Development Update) – Councillor Ahlfeld.

Agenda Item 16 (Clune Park Masterplan) – Councillors Curley and Brooks.

607 Environment & Regeneration 2018/19 Revenue Budget – Period 5 (31 August 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 2018/19 Revenue Budget position at Period 5 to 31 August 2018.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the current projected overspend for 2018/19 of £112,000 as at 31 August 2018; and

(2) that the Committee note that the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources has met with the Heads of Service in order to develop a plan to manage spend, with minimum impact on service delivery, in order to bring the Committee back on budget by the end of the financial year.

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608 Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme 2018/19 – 2020/21 - Progress**608**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) providing an update on the status of the projects within the Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme and (2) highlighting the overall financial position.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current position of the 2018/21 Capital Programme and the progress on the specific projects as detailed in Appendices 1 and 2 of the report;
- (2) that the Committee note the re-allocation of funds in respect of the Carriageway Glazed Roof and Lady Octavia Recreation Centre/Bridgend Road as detailed in the report; and
- (3) that the Committee note the current City Deal progress as detailed in section 7 and Appendix 3 of the report.

609 Towns and Villages Environmental Improvements Update**609**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for the second phase of the Towns and Villages Environmental projects funded from the £2.5m award.

Councillors Clocherty, McKenzie and Nelson 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.

Following discussion, Councillor Brooks moved that the recommendations contained in the report be approved, subject to deletion of the project proposal at paragraph 5.0, pending a report for further consideration on increasing or maintaining parking provision within Greenock Town Centre.

As an amendment, Councillor McCormick moved that the Committee (1) note the progress in respect of the Towns and Villages projects in Greenock, Gourock and Port Glasgow, (2) agree that the projects listed at sections 5, 6 and 7 of the report be approved as Town Centre priority projects and (3) approve the expenditure set out in paragraph 8.2 of the report.

On a vote, 1 Member, Councillor Brooks, voted in favour of the motion and 10 Members, Councillors Ahlfeld, Clocherty, Curley, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, C McEleny, J McEleny, McKenzie and Nelson, voted in favour of the amendment which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the progress in respect of the Towns and Villages projects in Greenock, Gourock and Port Glasgow;
- (2) that the Committee agree that the projects listed at sections 5, 6 and 7 of the report be approved as Town Centre priority projects; and
- (3) that the Committee approve the expenditure set out in paragraph 8.2 of the report.

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610 West of Scotland RRP Mutual Aid Memorandum of Understanding 610

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) updating the Committee on the current status of the Mutual Aid Agreement between member authorities in the West of Scotland Regional Resilience Partnership and (2) seeking approval for the Memorandum of Understanding to be taken forward on the same basis as the predecessor agreement covering the Strathclyde Emergency Co-ordinating Group.

Decided: that the Committee approve the West of Scotland Regional Resilience Partnership Mutual Aid Memorandum of Understanding as detailed in the report.

611 Scheme of Assistance (Section 72 Statement) – Updated Statement 611

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for the updated Scheme of Assistance, the purpose of which is to provide home owners and, where relevant, tenants in private property in Inverclyde with relevant information, advice and assistance in line with the requirements of Section 72 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006.

Councillor Curley declared a non-financial interest in this item as a private landlord. 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 requirement of Section 72 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 for local authorities to have a Scheme of Assistance;
- (2) that the Committee approve the updated Scheme of Assistance as set out in Appendix 1 of the report;
- (3) that the Committee agree that the Scheme of Assistance be updated to include reference to a Rent Deposit Guarantee Scheme, when approved;
- (4) that the Committee agree that the Scheme of Assistance be updated to reflect the changes to Care and Repair from April 2019; and
- (5) that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Public Protection to submit a report on the progress of the landlord registration scheme to the next meeting of the Committee.

612 Kirn Drive Civic Amenity Site 612

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing additional information on the closure of the Kirn Drive Civic Amenity site to facilitate the demolition of the depot building and the decontamination and removal of the redundant fuel facility, in response to the remit from the Committee of 30 August 2018.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the conclusions in the report;
- (2) that the Head of Environmental & Public Protection be authorised to progress with Phases 1 and 2 of the project; and
- (3) that any temporary alternative locations as may be identified be reported to the Committee.

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613 Provision of New Bus Shelters under the SPT Quality Bus Corridor Budget 2018/19 613

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) seeking approval for the installation of four new bus shelters as part of the SPT Quality Bus Corridor Budget for 2018/19 and (2) requesting the Committee to note the additional revenue maintenance costs that will be funded by the Council.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the provision of new shelters at the four proposed locations detailed in the report and note that the associated annual maintenance costs will be vired from the Road Client Budget (Road Marking Studs and Traffic Signs) into the Bus Shelter Maintenance Budget; and
- (2) that the Committee note the position regarding new bus shelter installations from 2018/19.

614 Parking Enforcement 614

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing an update on parking enforcement within Inverclyde in response to the remit from the Committee of 30 August 2018.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report;
- (2) that a public consultation be undertaken and that this include feedback from consultation with local Ward Members, local businesses, relevant community groups, residents and other relevant parties on their views regarding the removal of the requirement to display parking discs in Ward 5 Inverclyde West (Gourock), with existing rules regarding length of stay on-street and off-street continuing and that the outcome of the consultation be reported to a future meeting of the Committee for consideration;
- (3) that, in terms of timescales to be agreed by the Committee following advice from Officers, a public consultation be undertaken, that they include feedback from consultation with local Ward Members, local businesses, relevant community groups, residents and other relevant parties on their views regarding the removal of the requirement to display parking discs in Greenock Town Centre, and that the report on this include the financial implications of such removal; and
- (4) that Officers consult with Ward Councillors on any proposed areas which are considered viable for the introduction of resident parking schemes and that a report be submitted to the Committee in due course.

615 Loading and Servicing Arrangements for Greenock Town Hall 615

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) providing information on servicing access to Greenock Town Hall following the remit from Inverclyde Council on 27 September 2018 and (2) making a recommendation in this regard.

Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty 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.

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Following discussion, Councillor Ahlfeld moved that fob access to the carriageway at Greenock Town Hall be granted to any contractor, subject to such access being for one contractor's vehicle at a time.

As an amendment Councillor Clocherty moved (1) that Town Hall caterers be given access to Drummers Close and the Councillors' car park to assist with loading and unloading and (2) that the position be reviewed following a period of implementation to determine if further action is required.

On a vote, 4 Members, Councillors Clocherty, Curley, McCabe and McCormick, voted in favour of the amendment and 7 Members, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Jackson, C McEleny, J McEleny, McKenzie and Nelson, voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried.

Decided: that fob access to the carriageway at Greenock Town Hall be granted to any contractor, subject to such access being for one contractor's vehicle at a time.

616 Proposed Consultation on the Removal of Core Path 26b 'South of Berryards' from the Core Paths Plan 616

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to consult on a proposal to remove Core Path 26b 'South of Berryards' from the Core Paths Plan.

Decided: that the Committee approve a public consultation on the proposal to remove Core Path 26b from the Core Paths Plan.

617 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council, Shore Road, Wemyss Bay (Designated Parking Places and Waiting Restrictions) Order 2018 617

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending the making of a Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council Shore Road, Wemyss Bay (Designated Parking Places and Waiting Restrictions) Order 2018.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council Shore Road, Wemyss Bay (Designated Parking Places and Waiting Restrictions) 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.

618 Inverclyde Local Development Plan 618

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) advising the Committee of responses received to the consultation on the Inverclyde Local Development Plan: Proposed Plan (2018) and (2) providing the Committee with notice of the 'Schedule 4s' (summaries of the representations received relative to the Plan and the Council response to these) for submission to the Scottish Government for examination.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee grant delegated authority to the Head of Regeneration & Planning to submit the Proposed Plan to the Scottish Government for examination; and
- (2) that the Committee approve Appendix 1 to the report as modifications to the Plan which are acceptable to Inverclyde Council.

619 Workforce Development Update

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning providing an update on the Council's services and contracts relating to Workforce Development. Councillor Ahlfeld declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Board 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 services that are offered and the current contracted and in-house service performance, as detailed in the report; and
- (2) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to provide the Committee with regular updates on Workforce Development.

620 Glasgow City Deal – Inverkip (Iberdrola/Scottish Power)

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) advising the Committee of revised access arrangements and road improvements on the A78 in respect of the Inverkip former Power Station City Deal Project and (2) seeking approval of the Final Business Case to reflect the revised access and road improvements on the A78, as agreed between Transport Scotland and Iberdrola.

Decided:

- (1) that Councillors McCabe and C McEleny write jointly to the Cabinet Secretary for Transport, Infrastructure and Communities with a request that he visit Inverclyde to view the site at Inverkip and to review the A78 road improvements; and
- (2) that pending the outcome of the request set out in (2) above, the report be continued for further consideration.

621 Clune Park Masterplan

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval of the proposals for the Clune Park area, as set out in the Clune Park Masterplan.

Councillors Curley and Brooks declared a non-financial interest in this item as Board Members of River Clyde Homes and Councillor Curley also declared a non-financial interest as a private landlord. Both Councillors formed the view that the nature of their interests 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 proposals for the future development of the Clune Park area as set out in the Clune Park Masterplan and detailed in Appendix 1 of the report, as the vision for the redevelopment of the Clune Park area; and
- (2) that the Council engage with its partners including River Clyde Homes and the Scottish Government, with a view to exploring options for delivery of the proposals.

622 Save Inchgreen Dry Dock Campaign**622**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising the Committee (1) of the extent of Peel Ports' ownership of the Inchgreen area and other areas at Inverclyde Waterfront and (2) of any opportunities in current and future Scottish legislation relative to options for public or community ownership of the Inchgreen site, all in terms of the remit from the Petitions Committee of 17 May 2018.

Following discussion, Councillor Brooks moved:

- (1) that the Committee note the extent of ownership at Inchgreen specifically and Inverclyde Waterfront generally, confirmed to Officers by Peel Ports – Clydeport and by Peel Land and Property;
- (2) that the Committee note the position relative to bringing the site into public or community ownership; and
- (3) that the Committee note the ongoing Officer engagement with both Peel Ports – Clydeport and Peel Land and Property.

As an amendment, Councillor Clocherty moved:

- (1) that the Committee note the extent of ownership at Inchgreen specifically and Inverclyde Waterfront generally, confirmed to Officers by Peel Ports – Clydeport and by Peel Land and Property;
- (2) that this Council recognise that Inchgreen Dry Dock is in private ownership and under-utilised and this Council calls upon the Scottish Government to engage with the dock owners to secure the assets for the nation, thus facilitating full use of the dock for the benefit of Inverclyde and Scotland; and
- (3) that the Committee note the ongoing Officer engagement with both Peel Ports – Clydeport and Peel Land and Property.

On a vote, 1 Member, Councillor Brooks, voted in favour of the motion and 10 Members, Councillors Ahlfeld, Clocherty, Curley, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, C McEleny, J McEleny, McKenzie and Nelson voted in favour of the amendment which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the extent of ownership at Inchgreen specifically and Inverclyde Waterfront generally confirmed to Officers by Peel Ports – Clydeport and by Peel Land and Property;
- (2) that this Council recognises that Inchgreen Dry Dock is in private ownership and under-utilised and this Council calls upon the Scottish Government to engage with the dock owners to secure the assets for the nation, thus facilitating full use of the dock for the benefit of Inverclyde and Scotland;
- (3) that the Committee note the ongoing Officer engagement with both Peel Ports – Clydeport and Peel Land and Property; and
- (4) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to submit a report to the next meeting of the Committee on Riverside Inverclyde's Waterfront land holdings and the background thereto.

Councillor C McEleny left the meeting at this juncture.

623 Care and Repair Saving Update**623**

It was agreed that this item be withdrawn from the agenda.

624 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Person’s Parking Place (On Street) Order No 2A 2018 624

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) informing the Committee of the outcome of the consultation procedure undertaken relative to the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) associated with a disabled person’s parking space entitled ‘The Inverclyde Council Disabled Person’s Parking Place (On-Street) Order No. 2A 2018 during which 3 maintained objections had been received and (2) seeking the Committee’s decision on whether these should be heard by the Committee or by an independent reporter.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the requirement to hold a public hearing to consider the maintained objections in relation to the TRO; and
- (2) that these be heard at a special meeting of the Committee on a date to be determined in consultation with the Convener.

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, 8, 9, 12 & 13
Service of Closing Orders under the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987	6, 12, & 13
Property Assets Management Report	6 & 9
Retail Units - Cathcart Street, Greenock	2, 6 & 9
Retail Unit – Belville Street, Greenock	2, 6 & 9
Materials Recycling Facility – Outcome of Haulage and Sort Tender	6 & 8

625 Clune Park Regeneration Plan Progress Report: Update on Current Actions 625

There was submitted a report by the Head of Environmental & Public Protection updating the Committee on the current actions to implement the Council’s decisions on the Clune Park Estate and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.

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- 626 Service of Closing Orders under the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987 626**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking Committee approval to serve Closing Orders under Section 114 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987 on several flats which are below the Tolerable Standard in tenement buildings at 2, 4 and 6 Clune Park Street, Port Glasgow.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee approve the making of Closing Orders under Section 114 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987, as amended, in respect of the 8 flats, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, contained within buildings at 2, 4 and 6 Clune Park Street, Port Glasgow; and
- (2) that in the event of no appeals being submitted or appeals not being upheld by the Sheriff Court, the Committee approve the making of Demolition Orders under Section 120 and 115 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987, as amended, in respect of the buildings at 2, 4 and 6 Clune Park Street, Port Glasgow.
- 627 Property Assets Management Report 627**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources making recommendations in respect of a number of property assets and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.
- 628 Retail Units - Cathcart Street, Greenock 628**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to grant a lease and approve renunciation of a lease relative to separate premises at Cathcart Street, Greenock and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.
- 629 Retail Unit – Belville Street, Greenock 629**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to assign the lease of premises at Belville Street, Greenock and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.
- 630 Materials Recycling Facility – Outcome of Haulage and Sort Tender 630**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the tender for haulage and sorting of dry mixed recyclates and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.

EDUCATION & COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 30 OCTOBER 2018

Education & Communities Committee

Tuesday 30 October 2018 at 2pm

Present: Councillors Moran (for Provost Brennan), Clocherty, Curley, MacLeod, McCabe, Crowther (for C McEleny), McVey, Murphy, Quinn, Robertson and Wilson, Rev. F Donaldson, Rev. D Burt and Mrs F Gilpin, Church Representatives 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, Service Manager (Libraries, Education Development & Arts), Ms G Murphy (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Acting Head of Education and Property Services Manager.

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

631 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 631

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Provost Brennan, with Councillor Moran substituting, Councillor C McEleny, with Councillor Crowther substituting, and Ms A McMillan.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 4 (Governance of Community Halls) – Councillors Curley, Moran and Wilson.

Agenda Item 6 (Heritage Hub Timeline) – Councillors Moran and Quinn.

632 Communities 2018/19 Revenue Budget – Period 5 to 31 August 2018 632

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the position of the 2018/19 Communities Revenue Budget as at Period 5 to 31 August 2018.

Decided:

- (1) that the current projected overspend of £13,000 in the 2018/19 Communities Revenue Budget as at Period 5 to 31 August 2018 be noted;
- (2) that it be noted that the projected overspend in the Communities Revenue Budget is being contained within the overall Education & Communities Directorate; and
- (3) that it be noted that a report on options to address the shortfall in Whinhill Golf Course income will be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee.

633 Communities Capital Programme 2018 – 2021 - Progress 633

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities and 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 progress of the specific projects detailed in Appendix 1 of the report be noted.

634 Governance of Community Halls

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities (1) advising the Committee of the current arrangements for the governance of community halls managed on behalf of the Council by Inverclyde Leisure and local community groups and (2) outlining proposals to achieve a consistency of approach to governance across all of Inverclyde's community assets by taking account of advice published in Audit Scotland's report into the management of Arm's-Length External Organisations (ALEOs).

Councillor Moran declared a non-financial interest in this item as a member of Boglestone Community Association and Councillors Curley and Wilson declared non-financial interests as members of both Boglestone Community Association and Kilmacolm Community Centre Co Ltd. All 3 Members formed the view that the nature of their interests 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 issues identified in the report around the current governance model for self-managed community facilities be noted;
- (2) that agreement be given to the amendments to the governance model for self-managed community facilities as outlined in Section 7 of the report;
- (3) that it be agreed to undertake a review of the outlined governance arrangements to develop a model that is proportionate, coherent and provides a consistency of approach; and
- (4) that a report be submitted to the Committee on Inverclyde Leisure's support and promotion of community centres in Inverclyde.

635 Crawl Space Access to Inverclyde Academy Pitches

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) providing an update on the provision of a crawl hole at Inverclyde Academy 3G pitch following a one year trial and (2) advising the Committee of one significant incident of vandalism to the pitch during that period.

Following discussion, Councillor Clocherty moved:-

- (1) that the trial of a crawl hole at the Inverclyde Academy 3G pitch be extended for a 6 month period with the proviso that the trial can be suspended in the event of any further significant damage to the pitch; and
- (2) that a report be submitted to the Committee in due course reviewing the position of all pitches within Inverclyde and their suitability for community use.

As an amendment, Councillor Wilson moved that there be no extension to the trial of the crawl hole at Inverclyde Academy 3G pitch and that use of the crawl hole cease immediately.

On a vote, 1 Member, Councillor Wilson, voted in favour of the amendment, and 10 Members, Councillors Clocherty, McCabe, Moran, Murphy, McVey, Quinn, Crowther, Curley, MacLeod and Robertson, voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that the trial of a crawl hole at the Inverclyde Academy 3G pitch be extended for a 6 month period with the proviso that the trial can be suspended in the event of any

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further significant damage to the pitch; and

(2) that a report be submitted to the Committee in due course reviewing the position of all pitches within Inverclyde and their suitability for community use.

636 Ward 7 Community Facilities Review

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing the Committee with an update on progress in relation to (a) consultations with the community with a view to establishing a constituted management committee for the Grieve Road Community Centre (b) progress with the potential for reconfiguring the facilities at the Centre and carrying out internal decoration works and (c) discussions which have taken place with Oak Tree Housing Association regarding a potential future asset transfer of the Paton Street facility.

Councillor McVey moved that Standing Orders be suspended to allow the Committee to reconsider the decision made at its meeting on 4 September 2018 with a view to re-opening the Paton Street Community Facility and investing in the upgrading of the facility. 6 Members, Councillors McVey, Quinn, Crowther, Curley, MacLeod and Robertson, voted in favour of the suspension of Standing Orders. This number did not achieve the two thirds of Members present and voting required for the motion to be successful.

Decided:

(1) that the position regarding the establishing of a management committee for the Grieve Road Community Facility be noted;

(2) that the reconfiguring of the layout of Grieve Road Community Facility be noted; and

(3) that the discussions with Oak Tree Housing regarding a future potential asset transfer of the Paton Street Community Facility be noted.

637 Heritage Hub Timeline

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development informing the Committee of the timescales in respect of the closure of the temporary 'pop up' library, archive and museum in Cathcart Street (the Heritage Hub), the reinstatement of the Watt Library, Inverclyde Archives and the McLean Museum and Art Gallery in the Watt Complex in Kelly Street and the re-opening of the latter building to the public.

Councillor Moran declared a non-financial interest in this item as a patron of the Dardanelles Window Fundraising Committee and Councillor Quinn declared a non-financial interest as the Chair of Gourrock Heritage and Arts. Both Members formed the view that the nature of their interests 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 likely timescales for the closure of the Heritage Hub, the reinstatement of the Watt Library, Inverclyde Archives and McLean Museum and Art Gallery and the re-opening of the Watt Complex to the public; and

(2) that the report be referred to the Inverclyde Council as Trustees of the Watt Institution for approval of the proposals in respect of the Watt Complex.

Councillor Wilson left the meeting at this juncture.

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act

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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 6 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

638 Branchton Community Centre – Update on Progress 638

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on the position relative to Branchton Community Centre and the Committee agreed to note the information provided in the report with a further update being provided to the next meeting, all as detailed in the appendix.

The Communities business concluded at 3.55pm. The Committee commenced consideration of the Education items of business at 4.00pm with Rev. Donaldson, Rev. Burt, Mrs Gilpin and Ms McEwan joining the meeting. All of the Elected Members returned to the meeting with the exception of Councillor Murphy.

639 Education Scotland Report on Gourock Primary School 639

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of the Education Scotland external inspection of Gourock Primary School. The report advised that in relation to the Indicators of Quality, Education Scotland had assessed the school as excellent for Leadership of Change and Ensuring Wellbeing, Equality and Inclusion and very good for Learning, Teaching and Assessment and Raising Attainment and Achievement. The Committee heard from the Head Teacher, Ms Patricia Robertson, in relation to the inspection report and inspection process along with four Primary 6 and 7 pupils who also answered questions from Members.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the Education Scotland report on Gourock Primary School; and
- (2) that the Committee's congratulations be extended to all staff and pupils for the results achieved.

640 October 2018 Progress Report following Education Scotland's May 2016 Inspection of Craigmarloch School 640

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on the progress being made within Craigmarloch School in response to the Education Scotland inspection report published in May 2016

Decided:

- (1) that the further progress made since the previous report to the September 2017 meeting of the Committee be noted; and
- (2) that it be agreed that as officers are fully satisfied with the improvements made by the school, there is no requirement for further reporting to the Committee.

641 Education 2018/19 Revenue Budget – Period 5 to 31 August 2018 641

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the position of the 2018/19

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Education Revenue Budget as at Period 5 to 31 August 2018.

Decided: that the current projected underspend of £90,000 in the 2018/19 Education Revenue Budget as at Period 5 to 31 August 2018 be noted.

642 Education Capital Programme 2018 – 2021 - Progress 642

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) on the status of the projects forming the Education Capital Programme and (2) highlighting the overall financial position.

Decided: that the progress of the specific projects detailed in appendix 1 be noted.

643 Update on the Glasgow City Region Improvement Collaborative: Phase 2 Improvement Plan 643

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) providing an update on progress to date with the Glasgow City Region Improvement Collaborative known as the West Partnership and (2) informing the Committee of the West Partnership's Phase 2 Improvement Plan.

Decided: that the progress to date with the West Partnership's Phase 2 Improvement Plan be noted.

644 Pregnancy and Parenthood in Young People Strategy - Improvement Plan 644

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) informing the Committee of the local implementation of the Scottish Government's Pregnancy and Parenthood in Young People Strategy and (2) requesting endorsement of the proposed direction of travel adopted in the associated Improvement Plan for a community planning approach.

Decided:

(1) that the contents of the report (1) and the final draft of the local Improvement Plan be endorsed; and

(2) that it be agreed that, once approved, the Plan be submitted to the Inverclyde Alliance for final approval.

645 Inverclyde Secondary Schools Health and Wellbeing Survey 645

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) advising the Committee of the Inverclyde Secondary Schools Health and Wellbeing survey and (2) seeking approval of the direction of travel as set out in the report.

Decided:

(1) that the contents of the report and the direction of travel detailed therein be approved; and

(2) that progress reports be submitted to the Committee when available.

646 Active Schools Performance – August 2018 646

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development informing the Committee of the Active Schools Team performance in the school year 2017-18.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

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| 647 | English for Speakers of Another Language (ESOL) - Update | 647 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an overview of English for Speakers of Another Language (ESOL) provision within Inverclyde, including the impact on the refugee ESOL learners attending community based provision within Community Learning and Development.</p> <p>Decided: that the ESOL provision as set out in the report be endorsed.</p> | |
| 648 | Update on the Use of the Pupil Equity Fund | 648 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on the use of the Pupil Equity Fund (PEF) within Inverclyde Schools.</p> <p>Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.</p> | |
| 649 | Online School Payments – Moving Towards a Cashless Environment in Inverclyde Schools | 649 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval to remove cash payments for school meals, and school trips as appropriate, from primary schools starting on 19 August 2019.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that approval be given to the removal of cash payments for school meals, and school trips as appropriate, from primary schools starting on 19 August 2019; and</p> <p>(2) that it be noted that a review of secondary school ParentPay usage will be carried out during session 2018/19 to assess the feasibility of moving to a cashless environment and that the outcome of the review will be submitted to the Committee for consideration.</p> <p>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 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.</p> | |
| 650 | Use of Powers Delegated to the Chief Executive – St Mary’s Primary School Refurbishment and Extension | 650 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and Chief Financial Officer advising the Committee of the use of the powers delegated to the Chief Executive (emergency powers) to issue an instruction in respect of the acceptance of the most economically advantageous tender for the comprehensive refurbishment and extension of St Mary’s Primary School.</p> <p>Decided: that the use of the emergency powers procedure be noted.</p> | |

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Local Review BodyWednesday 7 November 2018 at 4pm

Present: Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Dorrian, McKenzie, Nelson and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Nelson presided.

In attendance: Mr A Williamson (Planning Adviser), Mr J Kerr (Legal Adviser) and Ms K Macvey (Legal and Property Services).

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

651 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 651

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

No declarations of interest were intimated.

652 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW 652

**(a) Conversion of outbuilding to a dwellinghouse:
Auchenfoyle Farm, Auchenfoil Road, Kilmacolm (17/0415/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the conversion of an outbuilding to a dwellinghouse at Auchenfoyle Farm, Auchenfoil Road, Kilmacolm (17/0415/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

After discussion, Councillor McKenzie 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 following conditions, with the following informatives being attached to the planning permission:-

Conditions

(i) that prior to their use samples of all external materials to be used in construction be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Works shall then proceed as approved unless an alternative is agreed in writing by the Planning Authority;

(ii) that prior to the commencement of work on site full drainage details shall be submitted and approved by the Planning Authority. Development shall then proceed as approved unless any alternative agreed in writing by the Planning Authority;

(iii) 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;

(iv) 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

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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;

(v) 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;

(vi) 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 and plans delineating placement and thickness; and

(vii) 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.

Informatives

(i) all external lighting on the application site should comply with the Scottish Government Guidance Note 'Controlling Light Pollution and Reducing Lighting Energy Consumption' to protect the amenity of the immediate area, the creation of nuisance due to light pollution and to support the reduction of energy consumption;

(ii) where a private foul drainage solution is proposed, the applicant will require separate consent from the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA). Planning permission does not guarantee that approval will be given by SEPA and as such the applicant is advised to contact them direct to discuss the matter;

(iii) as the survey results indicated roosting bats are present within the site, as it is desired to exclude bats from the building, a licence, issued by Scottish Natural Heritage, will be required before any exclusion can take place; and

(iv) construction/demolition works have the potential to disturb nesting birds or damage their nest sites, and as such, checks for ground nesting birds should be made prior to the commencement of development if this coincides with the main bird breeding season (April-July inclusive). All wild bird nests are protected from damage, destruction, interference and obstruction under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended). Some birds (listed on schedule 1 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act) have heightened protection where it is also an offence to disturb these birds while they are in or around the nest.

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 dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the Appointed Officer's determination) for the following reasons:-

(i) the proposal is contrary to adopted Inverclyde Local Development Plan Policy ENV2 criteria (d) and (i); Policy RES5 criteria (a) and (c); Policy RES7 criteria (a) and

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(b); and Inverclyde Local Development Proposed Plan Policy 14 criteria (d) and (e); Policy 19 criteria (c), (d) and (e) as it does not comply with the exceptional or mitigating circumstances that would justify this development in the Green Belt, specifically that the proposal does not appropriately retain the character of the original building and wider area in terms of scale and design;

(ii) the proposal is contrary to the guidance in both adopted and proposed Planning Application Advice Notes (PAANs) 8 on “Siting and Design of New Houses in the Countryside” as the conversion of the outbuilding includes rebuild which does not reflect the original scale, character, proportion, design and architectural integrity of the building and is not subsidiary to the original building; and

(iii) the proposal is contrary to Policy 1 of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan Proposed Plan as it fails to have regard to the six qualities of successful places, in that it does not contribute to the ‘distinctive’ factor as it does not reflect local architecture and urban form.

On a vote, 3 Members, Councillors Clocherty, Dorrian and Rebecchi voted in favour of the amendment and 3 Members, Councillors Crowther, McKenzie and Nelson voted in favour of the motion. There being equality of voting, the Chair exercised his casting vote in favour of the motion which was declared carried.

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, with the following informatives being attached to the planning permission:-

Conditions

(i) that prior to their use samples of all external materials to be used in construction be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Works shall then proceed as approved unless an alternative is agreed in writing by the Planning Authority;

(ii) that prior to the commencement of work on site full drainage details shall be submitted and approved by the Planning Authority. Development shall then proceed as approved unless any alternative agreed in writing by the Planning Authority;

(iii) 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;

(iv) 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;

(v) 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;

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(vi) 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 and plans delineating placement and thickness; and

(vii) 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.

Informatives

(i) all external lighting on the application site should comply with the Scottish Government Guidance Note 'Controlling Light Pollution and Reducing Lighting Energy Consumption' to protect the amenity of the immediate area, the creation of nuisance due to light pollution and to support the reduction of energy consumption;

(ii) where a private foul drainage solution is proposed, the applicant will require separate consent from the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA). Planning permission does not guarantee that approval will be given by SEPA and as such the applicant is advised to contact them direct to discuss the matter;

(iii) as the survey results indicated roosting bats are present within the site, as it is desired to exclude bats from the building, a licence, issued by Scottish Natural Heritage, will be required before any exclusion can take place; and

(iv) construction/demolition works have the potential to disturb nesting birds or damage their nest sites, and as such, checks for ground nesting birds should be made prior to the commencement of development if this coincides with the main bird breeding season (April-July inclusive). All wild bird nests are protected from damage, destruction, interference and obstruction under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended). Some birds (listed on schedule 1 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act) have heightened protection where it is also an offence to disturb these birds while they are in or around the nest.

**(b) Erection of a conservatory:
38 Duthie Road, Gourrock (18/0104/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the erection of a conservatory at 38 Duthie Road, Gourrock (18/0104/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

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 with no conditions attached.

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Policy & Resources Committee

Tuesday, 13 November 2018 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Clocherty, MacLeod, McCabe, McCormick, 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 H Watson (for Corporate Director (Chief Officer) Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership), Service Manager (Inequalities, Migration & Strategic Housing), Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms S Lang and Ms C Craig-McDonald (Legal & Property Services), Chief Financial Officer, Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications, Ms A Rainey (Organisational Development, Policy & Communications), Corporate Policy, Performance and Partnership Manager, ICT Service Manager, Ms M Tait (ICT Services), Mr D Hall (for Head of Environmental & Public Protection) 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.

653 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 653

No apologies for absence were intimated.

Councillors Ahlfeld, Clocherty, MacLeod, Robertson and Wilson declared interests in Agenda Item 10 (Governance of External Organisations – Annual Update).

Councillors Clocherty, McVey, Moran and Robertson declared interests in Agenda Item 21 (Review of Pay and Grading Model and Impact of Living Wage).

654 Policy & Resources Capital Programme 2018/21 – Progress Report 654

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 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 be noted.

655 2018/21 Capital Programme 655

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

Decided: that it be agreed to note the current position of the 2018/21 Capital Programme and that officers are examining ways to reduce the current slippage.

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656 Policy & Resources Committee 2018/19 Revenue Budget – Period 6 to 30 September 2018 656

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and Chief Financial Officer on the 2018/19 projected outturn for the Policy & Resources Committee as at Period 6 to 30 September 2018.

Decided:

- (1) that the 2018/19 projected underspend of £827,000 for the Policy & Resources Committee as at Period 6 to 30 September 2018 be noted; and
- (2) that it be agreed to 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 increasing the fund balance to its recommended level.

657 2018/19 General Fund Revenue Budget as at 30 September 2018 657

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the position of the General Fund Revenue Budget as at 30 September 2018 and (2) providing an update on the position of the General Fund Reserves and Earmarked Reserves.

Decided:

- (1) that the latest position of the 2018/19 Revenue Budget and General Fund Reserves be noted; and
- (2) that it be noted that the use of any Free Reserves will be considered as part of the 2019/20 budget process.

658 Welfare Reforms Update 658

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 developments in respect of Universal Credit and specific projects.

Decided:

- (1) that it be agreed to note the various matters highlighted in the report and that a further update will be provided to the February 2019 meeting of the Committee;
- (2) that it be agreed that a letter be sent to the Secretary of State for Work & Pensions (copied to the Secretary of State for Scotland and the local MP) expressing concern at the transfer of Universal Support to the Citizens' Advice network and the need for clarity as a matter of urgency as to how the service will be delivered locally from 1 April 2019; and
- (3) that a report be submitted to the Committee on any information available on the effect of Welfare Reforms on arrears, evictions and homelessness in Inverclyde.

659 Insurance Fund Position as at 30 September 2018 659

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the position of the Council's Insurance Fund as at 30 September 2018 and (2) highlighting relevant issues.

Decided: that the contents of the report and the Insurance Fund position as at 30 September 2018 be noted.

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660 Treasury Management – Mid-Year Report 2018/19

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the operation of the treasury function and its activities for the first six months of 2018/19 as required under the terms of Treasury Management Practice 6 ('TMP6') on 'Reporting Requirements and Management Information Arrangements'.

Decided:

- (1) that the contents of the Mid-Year Report on Treasury Management for 2018/19 and the ongoing work to ensure the delivery of financial benefits for the Council be noted; and
- (2) that the Mid-Year Report be remitted to the Inverclyde Council for approval.

661 ICT Services Performance Update

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer providing an update on the Council's Digital and ICT Strategies for 2017-2020.

Decided:

- (1) that the Performance Statistics Report and Action Plan updates for the Digital and ICT strategies be noted; and
- (2) that approval be given to the project to develop the provision of Wireless infrastructure around the Corporate Campus, funded from the AMP and Modernisation EMR.

662 Governance of External Organisations – Annual Update

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the annual update in respect of the governance of external organisations.

The following Members declared non-financial interests in this item:

Councillor Ahlfeld as a Board Member of Inverclyde Community Development Trust and Inverclyde Leisure;

Councillor Clocherty as a Board Member of Greenock Arts Guild, Inverclyde Leisure and Riverside Inverclyde;

Councillor MacLeod as a Non-Executive Director of Parklea Branching Out;

Councillor Wilson as a Board Member of Kilmacolm Community Centre Co Ltd.

All 4 Members formed the view that the nature of their interests and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision-making process.

Councillor Robertson declared a non-financial interest as a Board Member of Inverclyde Community Development Trust and Greenock Arts Guild and a financial interest as a consultant for Stepwell Consulting Ltd. As a result of this last interest, she left the meeting prior to consideration of the item.

Decided:

- (1) that the last 12 months performance in respect of the governance of external organisations as shown in Appendix 1 to the report be noted and it also be noted that any outstanding issues will be addressed during the next cycle of Committees; and
- (2) that approval be given to the list of external organisations which will form part of the framework for the period October 2018 to September 2019 as set out in Appendix 3.

Councillor Robertson returned to the meeting at this juncture.

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- 663 Statutory and Key Performance Indicators Annual Report 2017/18 663**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications appending the Statutory and Key Performance Indicators Annual Report 2017/18 which details progress made in the last year towards achievement of the Council's performance indicator targets.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the performance information outlined in the report be noted;
 - (2) that it be noted that a separate report will be prepared in 2019 when the 2017/18 Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) indicators have been published and analysed and the Council's performance in relation to the other Scottish local authorities is known; and
 - (3) that it be agreed that the appropriate information within the Appendix be used to update the performance pages on the Council's website.
- 664 HSCP Advice Service Biennial Report 2016-18 664**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer) Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) providing an update on the activities of Inverclyde HSCP Advice Service and (2) highlighting the different ways in which social security benefit, money and debt advice and assistance have been provided to the citizens of Inverclyde.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the contents of the Biennial Report for 2016/18 be noted; and
 - (2) that the Committee's appreciation be conveyed to all relevant staff for the results achieved in the reporting period.
- 665 Cyber Resilience – Annual Report 2017/18 665**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer) Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the cyber resilience activities within the Council for 2017/18.
- Decided:** that the contents of the report and activities in place to prevent cyber security incidents be noted.
- 666 Delivering Differently in Inverclyde - Update 666**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive providing an update on the Delivering Differently programme.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the progress made to date in the Delivering Differently programme be noted; and
 - (2) that delegated authority be granted to the Chief Executive to conduct voluntary early release trawls where required for those unshaded projects in the Appendix but on the proviso that a report be submitted to the relevant Committee before any decisions are taken.

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667 Inverclyde Council Annual Complaint Handling Report 1 April 2017 – 31 March 2018 667

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services advising the Committee of the annual performance in relation to all complaints received and handled by Inverclyde Council, Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership and both Arm's Length Organisations (ALEOS), Inverclyde Leisure and Riverside Inverclyde, between 1 April 2017 and 31 March 2018.

Decided: that the annual performance of Inverclyde Council's complaint procedure be noted.

668 2019/20 Budget Update 668

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) advising of recent developments in respect of the 2019/20 Budget and (2) seeking the Committee's approval of associated actions.

Decided:

(1) that it be agreed that a letter be sent to the Scottish Government seeking clarification on the implications for the Council were it to increase Council Tax beyond 3% in 2019/20;

(2) that it be agreed to fund the estimated increase in waste disposal costs recently reported to the Environment & Regeneration Committee from the non-pay inflation budget from 2019/20;

(3) that approval be given to the proposals contained in Appendix 1 of the report, subject to the approval of those proposals due to be considered later in the agenda; and

(4) that it be agreed to note the latest position in respect of the 2019/20 Budget and in particular the emerging significant pay pressure and the approach being taken to having a high level review of savings options prior to Christmas 2018.

669 Contract Awards – 1 April 2018 to 30 September 2018 669

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising the Committee of contracts awarded for the supply of goods or materials, provision of services and the execution of works during the period 1 April to 30 September 2018.

Decided:

(1) that the contracts awarded by the Council during the period 1 April to 30 September 2018 be noted; and

(2) that information on the criteria used for lotting contracts be included in the next Procurement report to the Committee.

670 Results from the Citizens' Panel Spring 2018 Survey 670

There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications informing the Committee of the headline results from the Citizens' Panel Spring 2018 survey.

Decided:

(1) that the main findings from the Spring 2018 Citizens' Panel survey be noted; and

(2) that account be taken of the results when reviewing service delivery, as appropriate.

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- 671 British Sign Language Plan 2018/24 671**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications seeking approval of the Council's British Sign Language (BSL) Plan.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the requirement for the Council to develop a BSL Plan 2018/24 be noted;
 - (2) that approval be given to the final BSL Plan 2018/24 which has been published on the Council's website; and
 - (3) that it be noted that in 2020, the Council will be expected to make a contribution to the Scottish Government's National Progress report on its BSL National Plan 2017/23.
- 672 Attendance During Severe Weather Policy 672**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications seeking approval to introduce an updated Attendance During Severe Weather Policy to replace the current guidance document which has been in practice since 2008.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Attendance During Severe Weather Policy attached as Appendix 1 be agreed; and
 - (2) that it be noted that the policy will be kept under review and procedures revised as and when necessary to reflect any changes from subsequent consultations on the development of snow wardens/volunteer force.
- 673 Review of Pay and Grading Model and Impact of Living Wage 673**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications (1) providing an update on work undertaken to redesign the Council pay and grading structure, (2) seeking the agreement of the Committee to implement a revised structure for SJC employees with effect from 1 April 2019, subject to agreement being reached with the recognised trade unions and (3) providing an update on the Chief Officer salary review.
- Councillors Clocherty, McVey, Moran and Robertson declared non-financial interests in this item as relatives of Council employees. All 4 Members formed the view that the nature of their interests 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 it be agreed to implement the revised pay and grading structure detailed in Appendix 1 with effect from 1 April 2019, subject to agreement being reached with the recognised trade unions;
 - (2) that the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications be authorised to reach agreement with the trade unions on appropriate assimilation arrangements to map employees across to the revised pay and grading structure;
 - (3) that the financial implications for the Council outlined in Section 9 of the report be noted;
 - (4) that it be noted that an independent Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken by an equality specialist on the proposed pay and grading structure, as outlined in Section 7 of the report;

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(5) that it be agreed that, subject to approval to implement the revised pay and grading structure, the annual implementation of the revised Living Wage rate be applied from 1 April as outlined in Paragraph 4.4; and

(6) that the outcome of the review of Chief Officer salaries outlined in Section 8 of the report be noted and it be agreed that the Chief Officer salaries remain at their current level.

674 Review of Vacancies and Voluntary Early Retirement/Redundancy (VER) List 2018/19 674

There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications advising of (1) the outcome of a review of permanent vacancies undertaken by the Corporate Management Team and (2) the list of postholders interested in voluntary early release (VER) identified as part of the 2018/19 budget exercise.

Decided:

(1) that the outcome of the review of permanent vacant posts be noted and approval be given to the deletion of the 21 posts (11.01 fte) contained in Appendix 1 of the report; and

(2) that the outcome of the review of the VER list be noted and approval be given to progress voluntary early release of the 3 postholders outlined in Appendix 2 later in the agenda.

675 Request to Procure a Care & Repair and Small Repairs/Handyman Service 675

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to tender the Care & Repair and Small Repairs/Handyman service.

Decided:

(1) that a Lot 2 tender procedure for the Care & Repair and Small Repair/Handyman service be progressed as soon as possible; and

(2) that it be noted that a detailed update report which will consider the options available will be submitted to the next meeting of the Environment & Regeneration Committee.

676 COSLA – Intended Communication to Teachers and School Leaders 676

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive on a request received from COSLA to issue to all teachers and school leaders a briefing note communicating the background to the proposed annual pay award and the restructuring of the main grade. There was also submitted as an addendum, a letter from the Educational Institute of Scotland (EIS) to the Council Leader expressing the union's opposition to the issuing of the communication.

Decided: that no action be taken on the request.

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.

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Appendix 2 relative to Agenda Item 22 (Review of Vacancies and Voluntary Early Retirement/Redundancy (VER) List 2018/19)	1
ESF/Lottery Fund - I:DEAS (Inverclyde Delivering Effective Advice and Support) Programme	6, 8 & 9
677 Appendix 2 to Agenda Item 16 (2019/20 Budget Update)	677
<p>There was submitted Appendix 2 to Agenda Item 16 (2019/20 Budget Update) providing details of a proposal for voluntary early release. Decided: that the information contained in Appendix 2 be noted.</p>	
678 Appendix 2 relative to Agenda Item 22 (Review of Vacancies and Voluntary Early Retirement/Redundancy (VER) List 2018/19)	678
<p>There was submitted Appendix 2 to Agenda Item 22 providing details of 3 postholders who it is proposed be approved for voluntary early release. Decided: that the information contained in Appendix 2 be noted.</p>	
679 ESF/Lottery Fund - I:DEAS (Inverclyde Delivering Effective Advice and Support) Programme	679
<p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer) Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) on the progress of delivering I:DEAS, the Big Lottery/European Social Fund contract for the delivery of financial inclusion services and (2) highlighting a number of emerging issues. The Service Manager (Inequalities, Migration & Strategic Housing) provided a verbal update on the approval of the revised Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and the consequent availability of funding. Decided: that the approval of the revised KPI's with the consequent availability of funding for the programme be noted.</p>	

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 14 NOVEMBER 2018

General Purposes Board**Wednesday 14 November 2018 at 3pm**

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

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr D Keenan (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms F Denver (Legal & Property Services).

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

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| 680 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 680 |
| | <p>An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Curley and Councillor Moran. There were no substitutions.
Councillor Ahlfeld declared an interest in Agenda Item 2 (Request for Suspension of Taxi Drivers Licence).</p> <p>It was agreed in terms of Sections (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 1 of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.</p> | |
| 681 | Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence | 681 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services requesting the Board to uphold the suspension of a Taxi Driver's Licence to which the Board agreed, all as detailed in the Appendix.</p> | |
| 682 | Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence | 682 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services requesting the Board to uphold the suspension of a Taxi Driver's Licence to which the Board agreed, all as detailed in the Appendix.</p> | |

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- (2) that the Committee note the projects included in the Strategic Housing Investment Plan 2019-2024 as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; and
 (3) that a report on a specific site be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee, all as detailed in the appendix.

685 Residual Waste Strategy – Procurement Rationale 685

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) providing an update on the procurement rationale with regard to the biodegradable municipal waste landfill ban to come into effect in 2021 and (2) seeking approval to progress a collaborative procurement for residual waste disposal services for Inverclyde Council, West Dunbartonshire Council and the Lomond and Helensburgh area of Argyll & Bute Council.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report and procurement rationale in respect of the future residual waste strategy;
 (2) that the Committee agree that the Council participate in the procurement of residual waste disposal services in collaboration with West Dunbartonshire Council and Argyll & Bute Council; and
 (3) that the Committee note that should the projected costs exceed existing budgets, this will be reported back to the Committee prior to the Council formally agreeing to participate in the collaborative contract.

686 City Region Tourism Strategy 686

There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisation Development, Policy & Communications informing the Committee of plans for tourism development collaboration across the city region through the Glasgow City Region tourism strategy and action plan.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the content of the Glasgow City Region tourism strategy and action plan as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; and
 (2) that the Committee note the commitment to work collaboratively across the region towards increasing visitors in the City Region area.

687 Brexit Preparedness – Current Situation 687

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on Brexit preparations relevant to Inverclyde Council.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the work ongoing regarding Brexit with COSLA, Glasgow City Region and Audit Scotland and the potential implications for the Council; and
 (2) that the Committee note that a further report will be submitted to its scheduled meeting in January 2019.

688 King George VI Building – 9-11 King Street, Port Glasgow 688

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) updating the Committee on the proposal to refurbish the King George VI

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building and (2) seeking approval to utilise the residual Council funding with the Regeneration Capital Grant Fund, if awarded, to progress the Phase 2 refurbishment. Councillor McKenzie declared a non-financial interest in this item as a member of the King George VI Building Steering Group. 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 current position with regard to the Stage 2 funding application; and
- (2) that the Committee approve the use of the residual Council funding of £470,000 to part fund the project estimated at £1,435,000.

689 Access to Carriageway for Contractors

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on recent developments relative to implementing measures which would allow contractors using the Town Hall access to the carriageway underneath the Municipal Buildings.

Decided: that the Committee note that, having taken advice from the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service regarding proposals to allow access to the carriageway for contractors using the Town Hall, Officers are unable to facilitate such a provision on the grounds of fire safety.

The Committee went into recess at 4.05pm to allow Members to read the Appendix to Item 7 (Inchgreen Strategic Business Case) and reconvened at 4.25pm.

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)
Inverclyde Strategic Housing Investment Plan 2018-2024 – Further Consideration of Particular Site	6 & 8
Inchgreen – City Deal Strategic Business Case	6, 8 & 9
Review of Riverside Inverclyde	1, 6 & 8

690 Inchgreen – City Deal Strategic Business Case

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking Committee approval to submit a revised Strategic Business Case for Inchgreen to the City Deal Cabinet. Following a vote, the Committee agreed to take the actions as recommended, all as detailed in the Appendix. Following a referral in terms of Standing Orders, this decision was remitted to the Inverclyde Council for confirmation.

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691 Review of Riverside Inverclyde**691**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing an update on the review of Riverside Inverclyde.

Councillors Clocherty, McKenzie and Nelson declared a non-financial interest in this item as Board Members of Riverside Inverclyde. Councillor Curley also declared a non-financial interest in this item as the organiser of a sporting event 'Port Glasgow 10K' which received a £250 grant from RI. All 4 Members 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.

In relation to this item, Officers undertook to submit a public report to the next scheduled meeting of the Committee.

Following a vote, the Committee agreed to note the key findings of the review and to take actions in principle on the review, all as detailed in the Appendix.