The Inverclyde Council

Thursday 10 September 2020 at 4pm

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

Chair: Provost Brennan presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Ms S McAlees (for Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership), Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services), Interim Head of Service – Covid Response and Service Manager, Communications, Tourism and Health & Safety.

The meeting was held by video-conference.

339 Apologies and Declarations of Interest **339**

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

No declarations of interest were intimated.

340 Scheme of Delegation – The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Directions by Local Authorities) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 **340**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services seeking authority to delegate the new powers granted to Scottish Local Authorities in terms of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Directions by Local Authorities) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 to issue Directions in response to the serious and imminent threat to public health posed by the incidence and spread of Coronavirus in Scotland.
(Councillor Jackson joined the meeting during consideration of this item of business).
Decided:
(1) that the Interim Head of Service – Covid Response, and in his absence the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, be authorised to give any Directions in terms of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Directions by Local Authorities) (Scotland) Regulations 2020;
(2) that officers in Environmental & Public Protection be authorised as relevant designated officers for purposes of enforcing their requirements of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Directions by Local Authorities) (Scotland) Regulations 2020;
(3) that it be remitted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to make such necessary amendments to the Scheme of Delegation to Officers as may be necessary; and
(4) that should the powers to issue a Direction in terms of the Regulations be utilised, this be reported as part of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Scrutiny update report submitted to the Policy & Resources Committee or otherwise reported in writing to the subsequent meeting of the Inverclyde Council for noting.