

ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 21 OCTOBER 2020

Environment & Regeneration Committee

Wednesday 21 October 2020 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Curley, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, J McEleny, McKenzie and Nelson.

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

In attendance: Mr P MacDonald (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms R McGhee and Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services).

The meeting was held by video conference.

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

433 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 433

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

434 Proposed Traffic Calming Measures and Road Humps, Lyle Road and Newton Street, Greenock 434

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources further to the statutory consultation process undertaken in terms of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984, the Roads (Traffic Calming) (Scotland) Regulations 1994, the Road Humps (Scotland) Regulations 1998, the Road Humps and Traffic Calming (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1999 and the Road Humps and Traffic Calming (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2002 in relation to proposed traffic calming measures at Lyle Road and Newton Street, Greenock (the Proposal), (1) requesting that the Committee adopt the Rules of Procedure for the purposes of the special meeting, (2) advising the Committee in relation to the proposal of the discussion between Council officers and the persons who have, as part of the public consultation, objected to the Proposals (the Objectors) and (3) making proposals to facilitate the effective, fair and proper hearing by the Committee of the Objectors who have not withdrawn their objections in order that the Committee can consider the objections (the Objections) and decide whether or not to approve the Proposal.

Mr MacDonald advised the Committee of a typographical error at paragraph 6.2 of the report where the reference to “two Objections” should read “three Objections”.

The Committee decided:

- (1) that the Traffic Calming Measures Rules of Procedure as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report be approved;
- (2) that the terms of Appendix 2 in relation to the Objections be considered and noted; and
- (3) that it be agreed to allow the Objectors an opportunity to be heard at the special meeting in accordance with the Rules of Procedure.

(Councillor McKenzie joined the meeting at this juncture).

Mr G Leitch and Ms E Provan, Roads & Transportation, were present and the Committee heard Mr Leitch in support of the proposed traffic calming measures and

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road humps.

Mr Ken McArthur and Mr Graeme Kirkwood were present and the Committee heard Mr McArthur and Mr Kirkwood in relation to the Objections.

The Committee then adjourned to private session to consider the Objections.

Following consideration of the Objections, the Committee returned to public session and Mr McArthur, Mr Kirkwood, those observing and the press were re-admitted to the meeting. Mr Leitch and Ms Provan did not re-join the meeting.

Having considered and having had regard to the Objections and the oral representations made by Mr McArthur, Mr Kirkwood and Mr Leitch at the meeting:

Councillor McCormick moved that the Objections be dismissed and that the Proposal as detailed in Appendix 3 be approved and that it be remitted to the Head of Roads & Environmental Shared Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for its implementation, all in accordance with the Rules of Procedure.

As an amendment, Councillor Nelson moved that the Objections be upheld and that the Proposal be varied to the extent that the Proposal in relation to traffic calming measures at Lyle Road, Greenock previously considered by the Committee at its special meeting on 16 April 2019 be approved and that it be remitted to Head of Roads & Environmental Shared Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for its implementation, all in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, in order that more urgent schemes on the priority list can be addressed.

Following a roll call vote, 1 Member, Councillor Nelson, voted for the amendment and 8 Members, Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Curley, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, J McEleny and McKenzie, voted for the motion which was declared carried.

The Committee, therefore, further decided:

(4) that the Objections be dismissed and that the Proposal as detailed in Appendix 3 be approved and that it be remitted to the Head of Roads & Environmental Shared Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for its implementation, all in accordance with the Rules of Procedure.