ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 16 MARCH 2021

Environment & Regeneration Committee

Tuesday 16 March 2021 at 1pm

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

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

In attendance: Interim Service Director Environment & Economic Recovery, Mr P MacDonald (for Interim Head of Legal Services), Ms D Sweeney, Ms S Lang and Ms E Peacock (Legal Services), Mr M Thomson (for Interim Service Director Corporate Services & Organisational Recovery), ICT Services Manager and Service Manager Communications, Tourism & Health & Safety.

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.

125 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

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No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

The Convener being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Interim Service Director Environment & Economic Recovery was relevant, competent and urgent, moved its consideration in terms of the relevant Standing Order to allow compliance with City Deal submission timescales. This was agreed unanimously.

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) or 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 2, 6, 8 and 9 of Part 1 of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

126 City Deal Update

There was submitted a report by the Interim Service Director Environment & Economic Recovery providing an update on the three Inverclyde City Deal projects: Greenock Ocean Terminal, Inchgreen and Inverkip, and seeking authority to award the contract for the Greenock Ocean Terminal, Terminal Buildings, subject to City Deal approval. Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the actions recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.

Following consideration of this item, the Committee returned to public session.

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127 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 11) Order 2020 The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 1999

There was submitted a report by the Interim Service Director Environment & Economic Recovery further to the statutory consultation process undertaken in terms of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 1999 on the Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 11) Order 2020 (the Proposed TRO), (1) requesting that the Committee adopt the Rules of Procedure for the purposes of the special meeting, (2) advising, in relation to the Proposed TRO, of the discussion between Council Officers and the person who has, as part of the public consultation, objected to the Proposed TRO (the Objector) and (3) making proposals to facilitate the effective, fair and proper hearing by the Committee can consider their objection (the Objection) and come to a formal recommendation on the Proposed TRO.

The Committee decided:

(1) that the Rules of Procedure as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report be approved;

(2) that the terms of Appendix 2 in relation to the Objection be considered and noted; and

(3) that it be agreed to allow the Objector an opportunity to be heard at the special meeting in accordance with the Rules of Procedure.

In this regard, the Committee noted that the Objector was not present in relation to the Objection.

Ms G MacFarlane, Head of Roads & Environmental Shared Services, Mr G Leitch and Ms E Provan, Roads and Transportation, were present and the Committee heard Mr Leitch in support of the Proposed TRO.

The Committee, having considered and having had regard to the Objection and the oral representation made by Mr Leitch at the meeting, further decided:

(4) that the Objection be dismissed and the Proposed TRO as detailed in Appendix 3 be approved and referred to the next meeting of The Inverclyde Council recommending that The Inverclyde Council formally approve the Proposed TRO and that it be remitted to the Head of Roads & Environmental Shared Services and the Interim Head of Legal Services to arrange for its implementation in accordance with the statutory procedures, all in accordance with the Rules of Procedure.