

ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 13 APRIL 2021

Environment & Regeneration Committee

Tuesday 13 April 2021 at 3pm

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

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

In attendance: Interim Service Director Environment & Economic Recovery, Mr P MacDonald (for Interim Head of Legal Services), Ms D Sweeney and Ms L Carrick (Legal Services), ICT Services Manager and Service Manager, Communications, Tourism and 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.

143 Apologies, Substitutions & Declarations of Interest 143

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

144 Inverclyde Local Development Plan – Proposed Plan 144

There was submitted a report by the Interim Service Director Environment & Economic Recovery seeking approval for the Inverclyde Local Development Plan – Proposed Plan to be published for consultation.

Councillor Ahlfeld joined the meeting during discussion on this item.

Following consideration Councillor McCabe moved that reference to the site at West of Quarry Drive, Kilmacolm be removed from the 'Schedule 3 – Housing development opportunity sites' section of the Local Development Plan – Proposed Plan.

As an amendment, Councillor Curley moved that 'Policy 21 - Wheelchair accessible Housing' of the Local Development Plan - Proposed Plan be amended and that the Council will seek the provision of 10% wheelchair accessible housing across all house sizes on new build development sites of 20 or more units and developers will be required to demonstrate that they have considered the demand for and provision of wheelchair accessible housing if they are seeking an exemption from this requirement.

As a further amendment, Councillor McKenzie moved that the Local Development Plan - Proposed Plan as attached at Appendix 1 to the report be approved, subject to the additions detailed in the decisions below.

On a roll call vote between the two amendments, 5 Members, Councillors Crowther, Curley, McCabe, J McEleny and Nelson voted for the amendment by Councillor Curley and 6 Members, Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty, Jackson, McCormick and McKenzie voted for the amendment by Councillor McKenzie. Councillor Curley's amendment, having received fewer votes, then fell.

On a roll call vote between the motion and the amendment by Councillor McKenzie, 1 Member, Councillor McCabe, voted for the motion and 8 Members, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty, Crowther, Jackson, McCormick, J McEleny, McKenzie and Nelson voted for Councillor McKenzie's amendment which was declared carried. Councillor Curley abstained from voting.

Decided:

(1) that reference to St Columba's School, Kilmacolm be added to paragraph 6.7 of the Local Development Plan – Proposed Plan in such terms as officers deem appropriate;

(2) that 'adjacent to the A770/A8 corridor' be added after the words 'dedicated cycle route from Gourrock to Port Glasgow' at paragraph 11.20 of the Local Development Plan – Proposed Plan, and that the sentence will read:

The Council is currently progressing an active travel project which will deliver a dedicated cycle route from Gourrock to Port Glasgow adjacent to the A770/A8 corridor; and

(3) that subject to the above amendments the Inverclyde Local Development Plan – Proposed Plan as detailed at Appendix 1 to the report be approved and published for consultation.

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 the paragraphs 6, 8 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

145 Inchgreen – City Deal Outline Business Case**145**

There was submitted a report by the Interim Service Director Environment & Economic Recovery providing an update and seeking authority to progress the City Deal Project. Following consideration the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the Appendix.