

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE COMMITTEE – 8 JUNE 2022

Health & Social Care CommitteeWednesday 8 June 2022 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Armstrong, Brennan, Brooks, Cassidy, Daisley, Jackson, McCluskey, Quinn, Reynolds and Robertson.

Chair: Councillor Jackson presided.

In attendance: Interim Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Interim Head of Health & Community Care, Ms A Glendinning (for Head of Children, Families & Criminal Justice), Service Manager, Alcohol and Drug Service and Homelessness Service, Interim Head of Property Services, Head of Finance, Planning & Resources (HSCP), Ms M Keirs (Finance Services), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Ms L Carrick and Ms E Peacock (Legal & Democratic Services), ICT Service Manager and Service Manager Tourism and Health & Safety.

The meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock with Councillors Daisley, Quinn and Robertson attending by video-conference.

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

252 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 252

No apologies for absence were intimated.

No declarations of interest were intimated, but a certain connection was intimated as follows -

Agenda Item 9 (Reporting by Exception – Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations) – Councillor McCluskey.

253 Capital Budget Report – Position as at 28 February 2022 253

There was submitted a report by the Interim Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership and the Head of Finance, Planning & Resources, Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, on the projected outturn on the capital budget for 2021/22 as at 28 February 2022.

Decided: that the current projected capital position be noted.

254 Inverclyde Royal Hospital Short Life Working Group 254

There was submitted a report by the Interim Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership advising Committee of the progress of the Short Life Working Group in relation to the Moving Forward Together policy direction by NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde in terms of Acute Services at Inverclyde Royal Hospital.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the progress of the Short Life Working Group in

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clarifying the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Moving Forward Together policy in terms of acute service delivery at Inverclyde Royal Hospital and the opportunity to engage positively with the Health Board Chief Executive Officer and Senior Management from the Scottish Ambulance Service; and

(2) that Committee note the commitment from the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Chair and Chief Executive Officer in terms of the Moving Forward Together programme that Inverclyde Royal Hospital has a long term future and will play an important part in the NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Acute Service Estate.

255 Inverclyde Learning Disability Community Hub 255

There was submitted a report by the Interim Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the ongoing development of the Inverclyde Learning Disability Community Hub project.

Decided:

(1) that the content of the report and the current stage of development of the project be noted;

(2) that the position with respect to the external grant funding support sought for the project and allocation subject to grant offer acceptance be noted;

(3) that the Committee notes and approves the intended procurement route to market via hub West Scotland; and

(4) that the Committee approves the progression of the project based on the alternative design as outlined within section 8.4 and appendices 2A&B of the report subject to the submission of a report to the June Inverclyde Integration Joint Board and confirmation of the additional funding support required to allow the project to proceed.

256 The Promise 256

There was submitted a report by the Interim Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the progression of local activity and delivery of The Promise, referred to locally as I Promise (Inverclyde's Promise).

Decided:

(1) that the progression of activity in delivering Inverclyde's commitment to The Promise and the establishment of the I Promise Team be noted; and

(2) that the Committee continue to actively support the delivery of I Promise and the system shifts required.

257 National Care Service Scotland – Feedback from Consultation 257

There was submitted a report by the Interim Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the initial feedback received by the Scottish Government in response to their recent consultation on a National Care Service.

Decided

(1) that the national response to the Scottish Government Consultation on the creation of a National Care Service be noted; and

(2) that it be noted that further reports will be provided on the establishment of the National Care Service once further information is available.

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258 Inverclyde ADRS Update – May 2022

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There was submitted a report by the Interim Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update of activity within Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Recovery Service.

Decided:

- (1) that the ongoing developments within the service be noted; and
- (2) that the key challenges in rolling out Medically Assisted Treatment Standards and other new care and treatment initiatives be noted.

259 Contingency Accommodation

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There was submitted a report by the Interim Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the Home Office's plans to utilise a hotel within Inverclyde for the UK Government's asylum contingency dispersal, and the intention for widening dispersal across Scotland.

Decided:

- (1) that (a) the use of a local hotel by the UK Government as contingency accommodation for people seeking asylum and (b) the ongoing planning and delivery of services to support this, be noted;
- (2) that the intention by the Home Office to widen dispersal across the UK and that Inverclyde is to be in the first phase of this dispersal, be noted;
- (3) that the intention for the Council to respond to the Home Office consultation on widening dispersal, this being dealt with by the Interim Chief Officer of the Health & Social Care Partnership under the Scheme of Delegation (Officers), be noted; and
- (4) that it be remitted to officers to provide an update report to a future meeting of the Committee.

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 set out opposite each item.

Item	Paragraph(s)
Reporting by Exception – Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations	6 & 9
Procurement Update – New Social Care Case Management System	6 & 9

260 Reporting by Exception – Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations

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There was submitted a report by the Interim Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on matters relating to the HSCP governance processes for Externally Commissioned Social Care Services. Councillor McCluskey declared a connection as a relation receives a care package from Allied Healthcare and Cottage Care. He also formed the view that the nature of his connection and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence at the

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meeting or his participation in the decision-making process and was declaring for transparency.

Decided:

- (1) that the governance report for the period 22 January to 29 April 2022 be noted; and
- (2) that Members acknowledge that Officers regard the control mechanisms in place through the governance meetings and Managing Poorly Performing Services Guidance within the Contract Management Framework are sufficiently robust to ensure ongoing quality and safety and the fostering of a commissioning culture of continuous improvement.

261**Procurement Update- New Social Care Case Management Solution****261**

There was submitted a report by the Interim Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the procurement progress and funding to replace the current Social Care Management solution, SWIFT.

Decided:

- (1) that the content of the report be noted; and
- (2) that agreement be given for the £0.400m of capital funding to be returned to the Council's capital budget via the Policy and Resources Committee as detailed in paragraph 4.9 of the report.

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Planning Board

Thursday 9 June 2022 at 3pm

Present: Provost McKenzie, Councillors Brooks, Clocherty, Crowther, Curley, Daisley, Jackson, Law, McCabe, McGuire and McVey.

Chair: Councillor McVey presided.

In attendance: Interim Director Environment & Regeneration, Mr G Leitch and Ms E Provan (Roads and Transportation), Mr J Kerr (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Mr C MacDonald and Ms E Peacock (Legal & Democratic Services), Service Manager, Communications, Tourism and Health & Safety.

The meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock with Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Daisley, Jackson and McGuire attending by video-conference.

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

262 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 262

No apologies for absence were intimated.

No declarations of interest were intimated but certain connections were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 2(b) (Re-development and partial demolition of former car sales showroom building to form petrol filling station with ancillary petrol filling station shop and business units (class 4); erection of canopy, formation of parking spaces, installation of electric vehicle charging points, automated laundry and jet wash bays at 9 to 15 Port Glasgow Road, Greenock (21/0212/IC)) – Councillor Curley.

263 PLANNING APPLICATION 263

- (a) Change of use from open undeveloped ground to proposed motorhome, touring caravan and campsite with associated facilities (planning permission in principle):
Site adjacent to Cabervans, Cloch Road, Gourock (21/0073/IC)**

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration on an application for planning permission by Mrs Christine Holt (Cloch Caravans) for a change of use from open undeveloped ground to proposed motorhome, touring caravan and campsite with associated facilities (planning permission in principle) at a site adjacent to Cabervans, Cloch Road, Gourock (21/0073/IC).

After discussion, Cllr Crowther moved that planning permission be granted subject to the conditions detailed in the report together with an additional condition as follows: (31) that for the avoidance of doubt, for every tree identified in the Tree Survey and Arboricultural Constraints Report, authored by Alan Motion Tree Consulting Ltd on the 9th February 2022 which has been identified for removal under Condition 13 above, a replacement tree shall be planted within the site boundary. The replacement trees shall be planted prior to the conclusion of the first planting season following the site being brought into use, in the interests of biodiversity and to preserve the green belt setting.

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As an amendment, Cllr Clocherty moved that planning permission be refused as the proposed development represents building on the greenbelt.

Following a roll call vote, 2 Members, Councillors Clocherty and Jackson voted in favour of the amendment and 8 Members, Provost McKenzie, Councillors Brooks, Crowther, Curley, Daisley, Law, McCabe and McVey voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried. Councillor McGuire abstained from voting.

Decided: that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:-

(1) that plans and particulars of the matters listed below shall therefore be submitted for consideration by the Planning Authority, in accordance with the timescales and other limitations as directed under Section 59(5) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended). No work shall begin until the written approval of the planning authority has been given, and the development shall be carried out in accordance with that approval, to ensure that the matters referred to are given full consideration and to accord with Section 59 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997, as amended;

(2) that details of the proposed layout for the development are required to accord with condition 1 above. These shall be shown on a plan at a scale of 1:100 or 1:200 showing the position of: all buildings; roads; means of access to the site including visibility splays in either direction; footpaths; cycle routes; car, campervan and cycle parking areas; and vehicular turning areas. The details shall allow for the following:

i) Each caravan pitch shall have space for 1 caravan and 1 car and shall be designed so that there is a minimum 6.0 metre buffer separating each caravan from any other caravan or motorhome;

ii) Each motorhome pitch shall have space for the motorhome and shall be designed so that there is a minimum 6.0 metre buffer separating each motorhome from any other motorhome or caravan;

iii) Each camping pitch shall have space for the tent and 1 car;

iv) Each glamping pitch shall have space for the cabin and 1 car;

v) All car parking spaces within the site shall be a minimum of 6.0 metres by 3.0 metres in size;

vi) Parking standards for the development shall be provided in accordance with the National Roads Development Guide for cars, cycles, motor cycles and disabled users;

vii) Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, all roads within the site shall be a minimum of 5.5 metres in width;

viii) All footways within the site shall be a minimum of 2.0 metres wide;

ix) All roads shall have a gradient of 10% or less; and

x) The main access into the site shall be a minimum of 5.5 metres wide;

to ensure suitable access is provided for all users, in the interests of the proper functioning of the development;

(3) that details of all proposed buildings and other structures for the development are required to accord with Condition 1 above. These shall be submitted to the Planning Authority in respect of the siting, design, floor plans and external appearance of all buildings and other structures inclusive of dimensions as well as the type and colour of all external materials, thereafter the development shall be implemented as approved, to ensure that the design matters referred to are given full consideration and are acceptable;

(4) that for the avoidance of doubt the reception/shop building to be applied for under Conditions 2 and 3 above shall be located entirely outwith the flow pathway shown on Figure 10 of the Cloch Road, Gourrock Flood Risk Assessment, authored by Kaya Consulting Limited, in order to protect the functional floodplain of the watercourse and minimise flood risk;

(5) that for the avoidance of doubt the finished floor levels of the buildings and plots for all caravans to be applied for under Conditions 2 and 3 above shall be at or above 7.35m Above Ordnance Datum, to ensure in the event of flooding on the road, water

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can flow across the road to the sea without flooding properties;

(6) that for the avoidance of doubt the details to be submitted in respect of Condition 3 above shall allow for any buildings in the site to be no more than single storey high, in order to minimise the visual impact of the development on the landscape and seascape of the Firth of Clyde;

(7) that a footway shall be constructed along the frontage of the site including dropped kerb crossings across the access. Prior to any work commencing on site full details of the footway shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Following approval the footway shall be constructed and available for use before occupation of any part of the development, in order to ensure suitable pedestrian access is provided;

(8) that details are required to accord with Condition 1 above in respect of bin stores to be erected on site inclusive of dimensions as well as the type and colour of all external materials. Thereafter the development shall be implemented as approved, in order to provide a quality setting in the interests of visual amenity;

(9) that details are required to accord with Condition 1 above in respect of the proposed play area. The submitted details shall include:

- i) Details of the type and location of play equipment, seating and litter bins;
- ii) Details of the surface treatment of the play area, including the location and type of safety surfaces to be installed; and
- iii) Details of all boundary treatments to be erected around the play area

Thereafter the development shall be implemented as approved, to ensure an acceptable form of development in the interests of future occupants and the appearance of the locality;

(10) that details are required to accord with Condition 1 above of the design and location of all boundary treatments, including walls and fences to be erected within and around the perimeter of the site. Thereafter the development shall be implemented as approved, to ensure an appropriate landscape setting is provided;

(11) that details are required to accord with Condition 1 above of the type and colour of all surfacing treatments, including materials for the permeable ground reinforcement for the pitches. Thereafter the development shall be implemented as approved, to ensure a precise and acceptable form of development in the interests of future occupants and the appearance of the locality;

(12) that details are required to accord with Conditions 1 and 5 above of the proposed ground levels throughout the site and proposed finished floor levels, in relation to a fixed datum point. The details shall include existing ground levels taken from the same fixed datum point, to ensure a precise and acceptable form of development which will mitigate flood risk in the interests of future occupants and the appearance of the locality;

(13) that development shall not commence on site until details have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority in respect of the following:

- i) Full details of landscaping and open space provision, detailing all existing landscape features and vegetation to be retained as well as trees to be felled;
- ii) Details of protective measures for all trees which are to be retained;
- iii) The locations of new trees, shrubs, hedges, grassed areas and water features;
- iv) A schedule of trees and plants including species, plant sizes and proposed numbers and density;
- v) The layout, design and materials of all hard landscaping works;

Thereafter the development shall be implemented as approved, to ensure that the landscaping details and tree coverage on the site are given full consideration and are acceptable;

(14) that for the avoidance of doubt, the Beech Tree identified as Tag No 6619 in the tree survey shall not be removed at any time unless agreed in advance in writing by the Planning Authority, in order to preserve the tree in the interests of providing a quality

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landscape setting;

(15) that no tree works or vegetation clearance approved under Condition 13 above shall occur on site from March through September (inclusive) each year unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Planning Authority prior to clearance works commencing. In the event that clearance is proposed between March to September (inclusive), a nesting bird survey shall be carried out by an experienced ecologist covering the proposed clearance area prior to each stage of tree felling and vegetation clearance and shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority before those clearance works commence. Once written approval has been given, the works themselves shall be carried out within a specified and agreed timescale, to ensure the appropriate protection of breeding birds

(16) that during the construction phase, the removal of vegetation deeper than 10cm within the development site shall be subject to a two-stage strim with vegetation being strimmed to a depth of 10cm one day, then strimmed to ground level the following day. These works shall take place in temperatures warmer than 10°C and strimmer operators shall work outwards from the middle of the area being strimmed, to ensure that any reptiles present on site can be safely relocated to suitable adjacent habitat;

(17) that prior to the commencement of any works, the tree protection measures approved under Condition 13 above for all trees to be retained both within or adjacent to the application site shall be erected. All trees must be protected by barriers and/or ground protection to form a Construction Exclusion Zone in accordance with British Standards Recommendations for trees in Relation to Construction, currently BS5837:2012 and shall not be removed during the course of construction work, to ensure the retention of and avoidance of damage to trees during development;

(18) that no movement of machinery, stockpiling of materials, or changes in existing ground levels shall take place within the Construction Exclusion Zone throughout the duration of the construction works, to ensure the retention of and avoidance of damage to trees during development;

(19) that where new surfacing is to be installed within the Construction Exclusion Zone of trees which are to be retained, precautions shall be taken to minimise disturbance to tree root systems, in accordance with BS5837:2012, Section 7.4, to ensure the retention of and avoidance of damage to trees during development;

(20) that any of the trees, areas of grass or planted shrubs or bushes approved as part of the landscaping scheme that die, become diseased, are damaged or removed within 5 years of planting shall be replaced with others of a similar size and species within the following planting season, to ensure that existing biodiversity levels in and around the site are preserved;

(21) that development shall not commence until an updated pre-construction survey for all European Protected species together with all priority Local Biodiversity Action Plan species has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. For the avoidance of doubt, the survey shall set out appropriate mitigation or include a species protection plan where required. The updated standing advice notes for protected species produced by NatureScot including advice on survey shelf life should be referred to, to ensure that the up-to-date position is known and to ensure the appropriate protection of European Protected species and other wildlife;

(22) that development shall not commence until an updated pre-construction badger and otter survey has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The surveys shall not be carried out more than six weeks prior to works commencing, as recommended in the conclusions of the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal authored by Wild Surveys Ltd. For the avoidance of doubt, the survey shall set out appropriate mitigation or include a species protection plan where required. The updated standing advice notes for protected species produced by NatureScot should be referred to, to ensure that the up-to-date position is known and to ensure the appropriate protection of badgers and otters;

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(23) that an updated Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) shall be submitted for the approval in writing by the Planning Authority at the same time as the submission of the details under Conditions 1 and 2 above. The updated FRA shall be verified by an independent check process. This secondary check must be completed by an organisation which is entirely independent from the author. The Independent Check Certificate must be completed by a competent professional who is a member of the relevant chartered professional institution, or equivalent, with experience of flood risk and drainage impact assessment and management, to ensure that the finalised design can be safely implemented without placing buildings and people at flood risk;

(24) that an updated Drainage Impact Assessment (DIA) shall be submitted for the approval in writing by the Planning Authority at the same time as the submission of the details under Conditions 1 and 2 above. The updated DIA shall be verified by an independent check process. This secondary check must be completed by an organisation which is entirely independent from the author. The Independent Check Certificate must be completed by a competent professional who is a member of the relevant chartered professional institution, or equivalent, with experience of flood risk and drainage impact assessment and management, to ensure that suitable drainage is provided for the safe removal of surface and waste water from the site;

(25) that prior to the commencement of works, confirmation of connection to Scottish Water's Network shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure Scottish Water's acceptance of the drainage regime for the application site and in the interests of the provision of a satisfactory drainage regime;

(26) that development shall not commence until details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed have been 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, to help arrest the spread of Japanese Knotweed in the interests of environmental protection;

(27) that 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, to satisfactorily address potential contamination issues in the interests of human health and environmental safety;

(28) that before any part of the development 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 with plans delineating placement and thickness, to ensure contamination is not imported to the site and confirm successful completion of remediation measures in the interest of human health and environmental safety;

(29) 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 a Remediation Scheme shall not be

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implemented unless it has been submitted to and approved, in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure that all contamination issues are recorded and dealt with appropriately;

(30) that for the avoidance of doubt the buildings on the site shall be designed to ensure that at least 15% of the carbon dioxide emissions reduction standard set by Scottish Building Standards is met through the installation and operation of low and zero carbon generating technologies (rising to at least 20% by the end of 2022), details of which shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to the erection of the buildings, to comply with the requirements of Section 72 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009; and

(31) that for the avoidance of doubt, for every tree identified in the Tree Survey and Arboricultural Constraints Report, authored by Alan Motion Tree Consulting Ltd on the 9th February 2022 which has been identified for removal under Condition 13 above, a replacement tree shall be planted within the site boundary. The replacement trees shall be planted prior to the conclusion of the first planting season following the site being brought into use, in the interests of biodiversity and to preserve the green belt setting.

(b) Re-development and partial demolition of former car sales showroom building to form petrol filling station with ancillary petrol filling station shop and business units (class 4); erection of canopy, formation of parking spaces, installation of electric vehicle charging points, automated laundry and jet wash bays: 9 to 15 Port Glasgow Road, Greenock (21/0212/IC)

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration on an application for planning permission by Grove Retail Ltd for Re-development and partial demolition of former car sales showroom building to form petrol filling station with ancillary petrol filling station shop and business units (class 4); erection of canopy, formation of parking spaces, installation of electric vehicle charging points, automated laundry and jet wash bays at 9 to 15 Port Glasgow Road, Greenock (21/0212/IC).

Councillor Curley declared a connection as an employee of the company which prepared drawings related to the application. Councillor Curley also stated that he was not involved in the project for his company and he formed the view that the nature of his connection and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the meeting or his participation in the decision making process and he was declaring for transparency.

After discussion, Councillor McVey moved that planning permission be granted subject to the conditions contained in the report.

As an amendment, Councillor Curley moved that planning permission be refused on the grounds of pedestrian safety.

Following a roll call vote, 2 Members, Councillors Curley and Daisley voted in favour of the amendment and 9 Members, Provost McKenzie, Councillors Brooks, Clocherty, Crowther, Jackson, Law, McCabe, McGuire and McVey voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried.

Decided: that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:-

(1) that development shall not commence until samples of materials to be used on all external surfaces of the building and hard surfaces within the site have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Thereafter the development shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details, to ensure the development is acceptable in appearance;

(2) that development shall not commence until details and location of any walls (including retaining walls) and fences to be erected on the site have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Thereafter the development shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details, to ensure the development is

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acceptable in appearance;

(3) that 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, to satisfactorily address potential contamination issues in the interests of human health and environmental safety;

(4) that before the development hereby approved 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 with plans delineating placement and thickness, to ensure contamination is not imported to the site and confirm successful completion of remediation measures in the interest of human health and environmental safety;

(5) 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 a Remediation Scheme shall not be implemented unless it has been submitted to and approved, in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure that all contamination issues are recorded and dealt with appropriately;

(6) that prior to the occupation of any part of the development hereby permitted, the layout of the new site access priority junction with the A8(T), and the closure of the central reservation gaps through the successful promotion of a road order, both generally as illustrated on AECOM Drawing No. 60648610-SHT-10-CT-0100 Rev. P1, shall be constructed to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, after consultation with Transport Scotland, to ensure that the standard of access layout complies with the current standards and that the safety of the traffic on the trunk road is not diminished;

(7) that prior to the occupation of any part of the development hereby permitted, the existing footway along the site frontage must be upgraded to DDA compliant standard, and dropped kerbs / tactile paving at the site entry/exit junctions, generally as illustrated on AMCA Architects Drawing No. PL_014 Rev. A and PL_015, shall be constructed to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, after consultation with Transport Scotland, to ensure that facilities are provided for the pedestrians that are generated by the development and that they may access the existing footpath system without interfering with the safety and free flow of traffic on the trunk road;

(8) that prior to the commencement of the development, a Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) shall be submitted to, and approved by, the Planning Authority, after consultation with Transport Scotland. In particular, the CTMP shall identify measures to control the use of any direct access onto the A8 trunk road. Thereafter, all construction traffic associated with the development shall conform to the requirements of the agreed Plan, to mitigate the adverse impact of construction traffic on the safe and efficient operation of the trunk road network;

(9) that prior to the commencement of the development details of the lighting within the site shall be submitted for the approval of the Planning Authority, after consultation with Transport Scotland, as the Trunk Roads Authority, to ensure that there will be no distraction or dazzle to drivers on the trunk road and that the safety of the traffic on the

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trunk road will not be diminished;

(10) that prior to the commencement of the development, details of the frontage landscaping treatment along the trunk road boundary shall be submitted to, and approved by, the Planning Authority, after consultation with Transport Scotland. All landscaping shall be located such that it can be installed and maintained from within the development without requiring access to the trunk road, to ensure that there will be no distraction to drivers on the trunk road, and that the safety of the traffic on the trunk road will not be diminished;

(11) that prior to commencement of the development, details of the fencing / barrier proposals along the trunk road boundary shall be submitted to, and approved by, the Planning Authority, after consultation with Transport Scotland and thereafter implemented prior to commencement of operation. The fencing / barrier proposals shall be located such that they can be erected and maintained from within the development without requiring access to the trunk road, to minimise the risk of pedestrians and animals gaining uncontrolled access to the trunk road with the consequential risk of accidents;

(12) that there shall be no drainage connections to the trunk road drainage system, to ensure that the efficiency of the existing trunk road drainage network is not affected;

(13) that the principles of Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS) for the surface water regime shall be incorporated into the development. Development shall not commence until details of the surface water management and SUDS proposals have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Thereafter the surface water management details shall fully be implemented as approved, in the interests of sustainable development;

(14) that for the avoidance of doubt the car parking spaces shown on drawing PL003 Rev N shall be 2.5m x 5.0m and the disabled bays shall be 2.9m x 5.5m with a 1.0m hatching around them. The car parking spaces shall be constructed, surfaced and delineated on the site in all respects and be available for use before the first use/occupation of the development, to ensure the provision of adequate parking facilities;

(15) that a minimum of 6 bicycle parking spaces shall be provided on site. Development shall not commence until the details and location of the bicycle parking shown on a scaled plan have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The submitted plan shall allow for the bicycle parking to be located adjacent to the retail element of the development. Following approval the bicycle parking shall be formed in all respects before the development hereby approved is brought into use/occupied, to ensure the required number of bicycle parking spaces is provided and in accordance with the National Roads Development Guidelines; and

(16) that for the avoidance of doubt all surface water created by the jet wash machines shall be contained within the site, in the interests of sustainable development and roads safety.

Land at west of Quarry Drive, Kilmacolm

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration advising that following (a) the decision of the Board at the Pre-Determination Hearing held on 28 April 2021 to recommend the granting of planning permission in principle for proposed residential development to include access, roads, open space, landscaping, drainage and other associated works (planning permission in principle) (major) at land west of Quarry Drive, Kilmacolm (20/0245/IC) (b) the decision of Inverclyde Council on 4 May 2021 to grant planning permission in principle; and (c) the subsequent request from Scottish Ministers that the application be referred to them for determination, the

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Reporter appointed by the Scottish Government has issued his decision which is that he is minded to grant planning permission in principle subject to the completion and registration of a planning obligation (or other suitable alternative arrangement).

Decided: that the position be noted.

EDUCATION AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 14 JUNE 2022

Education and Communities Committee

Tuesday 14 June 2022 at 1pm

Present: Councillors Armstrong, Brennan, Clocherty, Daisley, Law, McCabe (for McGuire for Education business only), McGuire (for Communities business only), McVey, Moran, Quinn, Robertson and Wilson, Rev F Donaldson, Rev D Burt and Mr J Docherty, Church Representatives.

Chair: Councillor Clocherty presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Head of Culture, Communities & Educational Resources, Head of Education, Service Manager, Community Learning and Development, Community Safety and Resilience & Sport, Mr I Cameron (for Interim Director, Finance & Corporate Governance), Finance Manager (Education & Communities), Ms A Sinclair (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Interim Head of Property Services, Ms D Sweeney and Mr C MacDonald (Legal & Democratic Services), Ms L Wilkie (Education Services) and ICT Services Manager.

The meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock with Councillors McCabe, McGuire and Wilson attending by video-conference and Councillor Moran attending the Communities business by video-conference and the Education business at the Municipal Buildings.

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

265 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 265

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor McGuire for Education business only, with Councillor McCabe substituting.

No declarations of interest were intimated, but certain connections were intimated for the purposes of transparency as follows:

Agenda Item 2 (Communities Capital Programme Progress and Asset Related Items) – Councillors Clocherty, Law and Quinn

Agenda Item 3 (Communities Update Report) – Councillors Clocherty, Quinn and Robertson

Agenda Item 5 (Single Use Plastic Bottles in Education Establishments and Inverclyde Leisure Estate) – Councillors Clocherty and Quinn

Agenda Item 7 (Education, Communities and Organisational Development Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan – End of Year 3 Progress Report and Annual Refresh 2022/23) - Councillors Clocherty and Quinn

Agenda Item 13 (School Transport Contracts (Mainstream) – Results of Tenders for Contracts 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27) – Councillor Wilson

266 Communities Capital Programme Progress and Asset Related Items 266

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities &

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Organisational Development (1) providing performance information for the Communities part of the Education & Communities Committee, and (2) providing an update in respect of the status of the projects which form the Communities Capital Programme and Asset related items.

Councillors Clocherty and Quinn declared connections in this item as members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure and Councillor Law declared connections as (a) a family member is involved with Caddlehill Gardens and (b) she is a registered volunteer archiver with the Watt Institution. They also formed the view that the nature of their connections and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the meeting or their participation in the decision making process and were declaring for transparency.

Decided:

- (1) that the current position of the 2022/25 Capital Programme and progress on the specific projects and work of the Asset Transfer Working Group be noted;
- (2) that the use of powers delegated to the Chief Executive to issue an acceptance for the Waterfront Leisure Centre Training Pool Moveable Floor project as authorised by Councillors Clocherty, McGuire and Robertson together with the Chief Executive, be noted; and
- (3) that the use of powers delegated to the Chief Executive to issue an acceptance for the King George VI Community Hub project as authorised by Councillors Clocherty, Robertson and McCabe together with the Chief Executive, be noted.

267 Communities Update Report

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on the Communities aspect of the service.

Councillors Clocherty and Quinn declared connections in this item as members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure and Councillor Robertson declared connections as (a) a member of the Board of Greenock Arts Guild and (b) a member of the committee of Inverclyde Youth Theatre (Kayos). They also formed the view that the nature of their connections and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the meeting or their participation in the decision making process and were declaring for transparency.

Decided:

- (1) that the updates on the following be noted (a) review of crawl spaces in 3G pitches, (b) Child Poverty Action report, (c) affordable holiday hubs, (d) Young Scot annual report, (e) access to free sanitary products, (f) Culture Collective, and (g) free swimming for under-16s; and
- (2) that the appreciation of the Committee be extended to Mr Hugh Scott and his team for the efficient rollout of the Young Scot Card scheme.

268 Control the Bleed Kits

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development outlining proposals for establishing and promoting Control the Bleed Kits across Inverclyde.

Decided:

- (1) that the proposed use of Control the Bleed Kits as part of the Community Safety Partnership be noted;
- (2) that the purchase of Control the Bleed Kits for the Community Warden Service,

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as detailed in the report, be approved;

(3) that a promotional campaign to promote the purchase and use of Control the Bleed Kits across Inverclyde be approved; and

(4) that it be remitted to the Inverclyde Licensing Board to consider whether it would be appropriate to attach a condition or recommendation that premises that hold Premises Licences should have a Control the Bleed Kit.

269 Single Use Plastic Bottles in Education Establishments and Inverclyde Leisure Estate 269

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development outlining the implications of ceasing to sell or provide single use plastic bottles in Educational Establishments and the Inverclyde Leisure estate.

Decided:

(1) that the ongoing progress and financial implications of reducing the use of single use plastic bottles in Educational Establishments and the Inverclyde Leisure estate be noted; and

(2) that it be remitted to officers to provide a further report by the end of the academic year detailing work undertaken with schools towards eco-friendly initiatives such as providing reusable water bottles and reducing waste.

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 1 of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

270 School Transport Contracts (Mainstream) – Results of Tenders for Contracts 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25, 2025/26 & 2026/27 270

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval to accept the tenders for mainstream school transport contracts due for renewal from the start of the school session 2022/23. Councillor Wilson declared a connection in this item as member of Strathclyde Passenger transport. He also formed the view that the nature of his connection and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the meeting or his participation in the decision making process and was declaring for transparency.

Decided: that the tenders for mainstream school transport contracts due for renewal from the start of the school session 2022/23 and as detailed at paragraph 5.5 of the report be accepted.

The Communities business concluded at 2.05pm. The Committee commenced consideration of the Education items of business at 4pm with Councillor McCabe, Reverend Burt and Reverend Donaldson joining the meeting by video conference and Mr Docherty attending the Municipal Buildings.

Prior to commencement of the Education business the Convenor welcomed Mr James Docherty to the meeting as the newly appointed representative of the Roman Catholic Church. The Convenor also referred to the forthcoming retirement of Ms Linda Wilkie, Early Years Manager with Education Services and paid tribute to Ms Wilkie's service

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and wished her a happy retirement.

- 271 Education Capital Programme Progress 271**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) providing performance information for the Education part of the Education & Communities Committee, and (2) providing an update in respect of the status of the projects which form the Education Capital Programme.
Decided: that the current position of the 2022/25 Capital Programme and the progress on the specific projects be noted.
- 272 Education, Communities and Organisational Development Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan - End of Year 3 Progress Report and Annual Refresh 2022/23 272**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing (1) a progress report on the delivery of the improvement actions within the Education, Communities and Organisation Development Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan and (2) a refreshed Education, Communities and Organisational Development Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan 2022/23, containing new or revised improvement actions which required approval of the Committee.
 Councillors Clocherty and Quinn declared connections in this item as members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure. Both Councillors also formed the view that the nature of their connections and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the meeting or their participation in the decision making process and were declaring for transparency.
Decided:
 (1) that the progress on the delivery of the Education, Communities and Organisational Development Improvement Plan in year 3 and as detailed in appendix 1 of the report be noted; and
 (2) that the refreshed Education, Communities and Organisational Development Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan 2022/23 as detailed in appendix 2 of the report be approved.
- 273 Education Services Standards and Quality Report April 2021 – April 2022 and Education Services Improvement Plan April 2022 – April 2023 273**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval for (1) the Education Services Standards and Quality Report for April 2021 to April 2022 and (2) the Education Services Improvement Plan for session 2022-23.
Decided: that the content and publication of (a) the Education Services Standards and Quality Report for April 2021 to April 2022 and (b) the Education Services Improvement Plan for April 2022 to April 2023 be noted.
- 274 Establishment of a Catchment Area for Primary Gaelic Provision at Whinhill Primary School 274**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing the outcome of the statutory consultation to establish a catchment area for primary Gaelic provision at Whinhill Primary School.

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Decided:

- (1) that the establishment of a primary catchment area covering the whole of Inverclyde for Gaelic education at Whinhill Primary School be approved;
- (2) that approval be given to (a) allowing pupils undertaking Gaelic education at Whinhill Primary School being able to revert to their catchment area non-denominational school without the need for a placing request and (b) attendance at Whinhill Primary School being classed as attending an associated primary school for the purposes of transfer to secondary school; and
- (3) that it be noted that a further report will be brought to a future meeting of the Committee identifying the exact financial impact of the proposal and options to contain the spend within the Directorate's budget.

275 Education Update Report – Overview of National and Local Initiatives 275

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on national and local projects and initiatives linked to education.

Decided: that the updates on the following be noted (a) the latest Covid-19 guidance, (b) attendance update, (c) latest update from SQA, (d) elective home education consultation, (e) Parental Engagement (PIE) consultation, (f) Professional Learning General Teaching Council Scotland Award, (g) National Improvement Framework consultation, and (h) national consultation on school uniform.

276 Early Learning and Childcare Update Report 276

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on developments in the Early Learning and Childcare sector.

Decided:

- (1) that the updates on the following be noted (a) Blairmore Nursery School Leadership, (b) Early Years Earmarked Reserve, (c) Early Years admissions, (d) Happitots Inverkip and Greenock, (e) West College Scotland, and (f) parental consultation; and
- (2) that it be remitted to officers to arrange an All Members Briefing on the admissions policy, including that applied to pre-school establishments.

277 Election of Parent Representative and Teacher Representative to the Education & Communities Committee 277

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of the results of nominations for a Parent Representative and Teacher Representative to the Education & Communities Committee.

Decided:

- (1) that it be noted that a ballot is being held for the Teacher Representative to serve on the Education & Communities Committee and that the results of the ballot will be brought to the next meeting of the Committee; and
- (2) that it be noted that no nominations have been received for the Parent Representative to serve on the Education & Communities Committee.

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 15 JUNE 2022

General Purposes Board

Wednesday 15 June 2022 at 3pm

Present: Provost McKenzie, Councillors Armstrong, Brennan, Cassidy, Crowther, Curley, Moran, McCluskey, Quinn, Reynolds and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Moran presided.

In attendance: Mr D Keenan (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Ms F Denver and Ms E Peacock (Legal & Democratic Services) and Sergeant Moore-McGrath, (Police Scotland).

The meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock with Councillors Brennan, Crowther, McCluskey, Quinn and Reynolds attending by video-conference.

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

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| 278 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 278 |
| | No apologies for absence were intimated. | |
| | No declarations of interest were intimated, but a connection was intimated for the purposes of transparency, all as detailed in the Appendix. | |
| | 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 I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act. | |
| 279 | Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence | 279 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services in relation to a request for suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence which was upheld, all as detailed in the Appendix. | |
| 280 | Application for Grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence | 280 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services on an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence which was granted, all as detailed in the Appendix. | |
| 281 | Application for Grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence | 281 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services on an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence which was granted, all as detailed in the Appendix. | |

ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 16 JUNE 2022

Environment & Regeneration Committee

Thursday 16 June 2022 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Brooks, Cassidy, Clocherty, Crowther, Curley, McCabe, McCluskey (for Jackson), McCormick, Nelson, Quinn and Robertson.

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

In attendance: Interim Director Environment & Regeneration, Head of Roads & Environmental Shared Services, Interim Head of Property Services, Head of Legal & Democratic Services, Mr P MacDonald, Mr C MacDonald, Ms D Sweeney and Ms E Peacock (Legal & Democratic Services), Mr M Thomson (for Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance), Ms J Horn (Regeneration & Planning), Ms J Wilson (Finance Services) and ICT Services Manager.

This meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock with Councillors Clocherty, Crowther and McCabe attending by video-conference.

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

282 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 282

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Jackson, with Councillor McCluskey substituting.

No declarations of interest were intimated, but certain connections were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 6 (Local Employability Partnership Delivery Plan and Scottish Government Employability Funding) – Councillor Robertson.

Agenda Item 9 (Contract Awards – 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022) – Councillor Robertson.

283 Environment and Regeneration 2021/22 Revenue & Capital Budget – Period 13 (31 March 2022) 283

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance and the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration advising the Committee of the position of the 2021/22 Revenue Budget and Capital Budget position as at Period 13 to 31 March 2022.

Decided: that the current position of the 2021/25 Capital Programme and City Deal be noted.

284 Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme Progress 284

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration providing an update on the projects within the 2022/25 Environment & Regeneration

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Capital Programme.

Decided:

- (1) that the current position of the 2022/25 Capital Programme and the progress on the specific projects detailed in the report be noted; and
- (2) that it be agreed not to award the tender for improvements to the Kirn Drive depot at this stage.

285 Environment, Regeneration and Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan - End of Year 3 Progress Report and Annual Refresh 2022/23 285

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration and Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance presenting (1) a progress report on the delivery of the improvement actions within the Environment, Regeneration and Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan and (2) a refreshed Environment, Regeneration and Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan Improvement plan 2022/23, containing new or revised improvement actions which require the approval of Committee.

The Interim Director Environment & Regeneration advised the Committee of a typographical error in the report and, accordingly, at paragraph 5.5 the reference to "March 2022" should read "March 2023".

Decided:

- (1) that the progress made in the delivery of the Environment, Regeneration and Resources Improvement Plan in year 3 as detailed in appendix 1 of the report be noted; and
- (2) that the refreshed Environment, Regeneration and Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan 2022/23 as detailed in appendix 2 of the report be approved.

286 General Update 286

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration providing an update on a number of projects.

Decided:

- (1) that the update in respect of the development of a Clyde Green Freeport bid be noted;
- (2) that the update in respect of the development of the Greenock Town Centre Levelling Up Fund bid be noted;
- (3) that the requirement to (a) update the terms of reference for the three Town Centre Regeneration Forums be noted and (b) that the following Councillors be nominated as Chairs of the Port Glasgow, Greenock and Gourock Town Centre Regeneration Forums:
Councillor Curley (Port Glasgow Town Centre Regeneration Forum),
Councillor Clocherty (Greenock Town Centre Regeneration Forum), and
Councillor Quinn (Gourock Town Centre Regeneration Forum).
- (4) that the implementation date for the change in Food Waste uplifts be noted;
- (5) that the use of an Emergency Powers report to allocate £5,000 to the cost of consultant support for the Green Freeport Bid be noted;
- (6) that the use of an Emergency Powers report for the interim grounds management model continuing until 31 December 2022 to allow an assessment of the sustainability and effectiveness of shared services be noted; and
- (7) that it be remitted to the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration to bring a

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report to a subsequent meeting of the Committee on the Levelling Up Fund and the outputs achieved to date.

287 Local Employability Partnership Delivery Plan and Scottish Government Employability Funding 287

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration (1) providing an update on the No One Left Behind programme and (2) seeking approval for the finalisation of the Local Employability Partnership Delivery Plan.

Councillor Robertson declared a connection to Stepwell. She also formed the view that the nature of her connection and of the item of business did not preclude her continued presence in the meeting or her participation in the decision making process and she as declaring for transparency.

Decided: that approval be given to (a) the Local Employability Partnership Delivery Plan; and (b) the submission of the Plan to the Scottish Government.

288 UK Government Shared Prosperity Fund: Inverclyde Investment Plan 288

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration (1) providing an update on the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, including the allocation to Inverclyde, the role of Glasgow City Region and Inverclyde Council; and (2) to seek general agreement on the themes identified to allow the investment plan to be submitted over the summer recess.

Decided:

- (1) that the UK Shared Prosperity Fund allocation be noted;
- (2) that the role of the Glasgow City Region in the Shared Prosperity Fund submission process be noted;
- (3) that it be agreed that the Regeneration Service will lead the preparation of the Investment Plan;
- (4) that it be noted that prior to the submission to the UK Government, the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration will seek member approval under Emergency Powers to allow the Regeneration Service to submit the Investment Plan by 1 August 2022; and
- (5) that it be noted that further reports will be presented to Committee in due course.

289 Fraser of Allander Institute - Supporting Economic Recovery in Inverclyde, West Dunbartonshire & Argyll & Bute 289

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration (1) providing an update on the Fraser of Allander Institute's study 'Supporting Economic Recovery in Inverclyde, West Dunbartonshire and Argyll & Bute' and (2) seeking approval for the study to be used as the basis for any engagement with both the UK and Scottish Governments, and in particular with the proposed Task Force for Inverclyde.

Decided:

- (1) that the content of the draft report from the Fraser of Allander Institute be noted; and
- (2) that it be agreed that pending the publication of the Fraser of Allander Institute's final report, the report can be used in discussions with UK and Scottish Governments, specifically with regards to the Task Force.

290 Contract Awards – 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022 290

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There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration advising of contracts awarded for the supply of goods or materials, provision of services and execution of works during the period 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022.

Councillor Robertson declared a connection to Stepwell and Financial Fitness. She also formed the view that the nature of her connection and of the item of business did not preclude her continued presence in the meeting or her participation in the decision making process and she as declaring for transparency.

Decided: that the contracts awarded by the Council during the period 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022 be noted.

291 Virement – Rankin Park, Greenock

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There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration seeking approval to vire £15,740 from Grounds Services to Education and Communities in respect of Rankin Park.

Decided: that the virement of £15,740 from Grounds Services to Education and Communities in respect of Rankin Park be agreed.

292 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council Disabled Persons' Parking Places (On-Street) Order No.2 2022

292

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration (1) informing the Committee of the outcome of the consultation procedure undertaken for the Traffic Regulation Order entitled 'The Inverclyde Council Disabled Persons' Parking Places (On-Street) Order No.2 2022' and (2) seeking a decision on whether the Committee will hear the objection relating to the TRO themselves or appoint an independent reporter.

Ms E Peacock advised the Committee of a typographical error in the report and, accordingly, at paragraph 3.1(a) the reference to "Head of Shared Services Roads" should read "Head of Roads and Environmental Shared Services".

Decided:

(1) that the requirement to hold a public hearing to consider the maintained objection be noted; and

(2) that it be remitted to the Head of Roads and Environment Shared Services and the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to make the necessary arrangements for a public hearing to be heard before a special meeting of the Committee.

293 Regeneration of Shore Street, Gourock – Request by Councillor McCluskey

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There was submitted a report by the Interim Head of Legal & Democratic Services advising of a request received from Councillor McCluskey in the following terms:

"Residents of Gourock have raised concerns regarding the disrepair of Shore Street and several historic buildings on the street. Gourock contains a quarter of all listed buildings in Inverclyde and Shore Street alone contains three.

"Shore Street is a key entrance to Gourock town centre. It contains many residential and retail properties, and its future is crucial to the future success of the town. The street is ranked 497 out of 6976 SIMD data zones in Scotland, meaning that residents are among the 10% most deprived in Scotland.

"Organisational Priority 7 of the Council's Corporate Plan is to 'protect and enhance our natural and built environment' and with the launch of Historic Scotland's People and

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Place fund in March 2022, there is a strong case to be made in seeking external funding for the regeneration of Shore Street.

“Therefore, the Committee asks the Interim Director, Environment & Regeneration to bring a report to a future meeting of the committee on the options available for the regeneration of Shore Street, Gourrock, including feasibility of applying for external funding from Historic Scotland’s People and Place programme and any other potential external funding stream.”

Decided: that it be remitted to the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration to bring a report to a future meeting of the Committee on the options available for the regeneration of Shore Street, Gourrock, including feasibility of applying for external funding from Historic Scotland’s People and Place programme and any other potential external funding stream.

294 Property Assets Management – Public Report

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There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration (1) advising the Committee of various activities relating to the management of the Council’s property assets and (2) making recommendations in this regard.

Decided:

(1) that (a) the outcome of the Common Good consultation at Caddlehill Street, Greenock, in relation to the proposal to use the site to facilitate an inclusive, community led group to improve the habitat and usability of the space be noted and (b) it be agreed to further consider the terms of a proposed lease as detailed in Agenda Item 14 (Property Assets Management – Private Report);

(2) that it be noted that officers have received proposals for the gap site at Kempock Street, Gourrock, as shown hatched in appendix 2 of the report, and that a report will be brought back to a future meeting of the Committee to allow consideration of any responses received in the consultation and of detailed officer recommendations on the proposals; and

(3) that it be noted that officers have received proposals for the site at Market Place, Kilmacolm, as shown hatched in appendix 3 of the report, and that a report will be brought back to a future meeting of the Committee to allow consideration of any responses received in the consultation and of detailed officer recommendations on the proposals.

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)
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	Advertising Hoarding Site, Dalrymple Street, Greenock	6 & 9
	John Wood Street, Port Glasgow – Variation of Permitted Use and Lease Extension	2, 6 & 9
	Inverkip Street, Greenock – Lease Renewal	2, 6 & 9
	Retail Unit, Dubbs Road, Port Glasgow – Lease Renunciation and Renewal	2, 6 & 9
295	Property Assets Management – Private Report	295
	<p>There was submitted a report by the Interim Service Director Environment & Regeneration making recommendations in respect of a number of property assets. Decided: Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the actions recommended all as detailed in the Appendix.</p>	
296	Clune Park Acquisitions - Update	296
	<p>There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration providing an update with respect to the Clune Park Estate Decided: Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the actions recommended, all as detailed in the Appendix.</p>	
297	Path Agreement between Inverclyde Council and Peel Land & Property (Greenock Harbours) Limited for the Construction of the NCN75 Shared Path through East India and Victoria Harbour	297
	<p>There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration seeking approval to enter into a path agreement with Peel Land & Property (Greenock Harbours) Limited. Decided: Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the actions recommended, all as detailed in the Appendix.</p>	
298	Advertising Hoarding Site, Dalrymple Street, Greenock	298
	<p>There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration seeking authority to grant a lease for an advertising hoarding site at Dalrymple Street, Greenock Decided: Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the actions recommended, all as detailed in the Appendix.</p>	
299	John Wood Street, Port Glasgow – Variation of Permitted Use and Lease Extension	299
	<p>There was submitted a report by the Interim Director, Environment & Regeneration seeking authority for the variation and extension of an existing lease for premises at John Wood Street, Port Glasgow. Decided: Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the actions recommended, all as detailed in the Appendix.</p>	

300 Inverkip Street, Greenock – Lease Renewal 300

There was submitted a report by Interim Director Environment & Regeneration seeking authority to grant a new lease for premises at Inverkip Street, Greenock.

Decided: Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the actions recommended, all as detailed in the Appendix.

301 Retail Unit, Dubbs Road, Port Glasgow – Lease Renunciation and Renewal 301

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Environment & Regeneration seeking authority for the renunciation of an existing lease and then granting of a new lease for premises at Dubbs Road, Port Glasgow.

Decided: Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the actions recommended, all as detailed in the Appendix.

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 21 JUNE 2022

Policy & Resources Committee

Tuesday 21 June 2022 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Armstrong, Curley, Law, McCluskey, McCabe, McCormick, McGuire, McVey, Moran, Robertson and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor McCabe presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance, Interim Director Environment & Regeneration, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Head of Legal & Democratic Services, Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications, Mr C Given (for Corporate Director (Chief Officer) Inverclyde Health and Social Care Partnership), Mr C MacDonald and Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Democratic Services), Ms M Rae (Corporate Policy Officer), Ms A Rainey (Organisational Development, Policy and Communications), Ms T Bunton and M Thomson (Finance Services), ICT Services & Customer Services Manager, and Service Manager Communications, Tourism and Health & Safety.

This meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings with Councillors McCormick, McGuire and Wilson attending by video-conference.

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

302 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 302

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

303 2022/23 Budget – Current Position 303

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance advising of the initial position of the 2022/23 Revenue Budget and providing an update on the position of the General Fund Reserves.

Decided:

- (1) that the initial position of the 2022/23 Revenue Budget, the current position of the Free Reserves and the expected shortfall in the 2022/24 Non-Pay Inflation allowance be noted;
- (2) that (a) the initial officer assessment of the impact on the Council of the Scottish Government Resource Spending Review be noted and (b) that this will be factored into the June 2022 Finance Strategy Update; and
- (3) that the write back of the unallocated balance within the General Covid Reserve as part of the 2021/22 accounts be approved.

304 Policy & Resources Capital Budget and 2021/25 Capital Programme 304

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance outlining the latest position of the Policy & Resources Capital Programme and the 2021/25 Capital Programme.

Decided:

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- (1) that the current position of the 2021/25 Policy & Resources Capital Budget be noted;
- (2) that the current position of the 2021/25 Capital Programme including the end of the Business Premises Renovation Allowance scheme and the return of £400,000 from the Health & Social Care Committee be noted;
- (3) that the use of an Emergency Powers report to allocate £0.075m of the Cost Pressure allowance to the Waterfront Pool Moveable Floor be noted; and
- (4) that the allocation of £0.400m of the Cost Pressure allowance to Property Services (£0.200m) and Roads (£0.200m) to meet the significant increase in the costs of materials and plant be approved.

305 Finance Services Update**305**

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance (1) providing an update on various matters being progressed by the Finance Service and (2) seeking decisions as required.

Decided:

- (1) that the update regarding the wide range of service supports being progressed by the Finance Service including the ICT Service be noted; and
- (2) that the outcome of the triennial Insurance Fund actuarial review and the recommendations by the Interim Director of Finance & Corporate Governance regarding Fund and contribution levels be noted.

306 Corporate Policy and Performance Update Report**306**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities and Organisational Development and Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance providing an update in relation to corporate policy and performance, specifically on the Council's Corporate Directorate Improvement Plans (CDIPs).

Decided:

- (1) that the progress made in the delivery of the Policy & Resources CDIP improvement actions at the end of 2021/22 be noted; and
- (2) that the Corporate Services improvement actions for 2022/23, as detailed in the refreshed Environment, Regeneration and Resources CDIP and the Education, Communities and Organisational Development CDIP, be approved.

307 Refresh of the Delivering Differently Programme**307**

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance (1) providing an update on the current position of the Council's Delivering Differently Programme and (2) seeking approval for the addition of new projects and associated actions.

Decided:

- (1) that (a) the position of the current Delivering Differently Programme be noted and (b) the refreshed Programme as detailed in appendix 2 be approved;
- (2) that it be agreed to retain the HSCP projects within the Delivering Differently Programme at this point in time pending a review of the Council/IJB Budget process due to be completed over summer 2022;
- (3) that authority be delegated to the Chief Executive to undertake voluntary severance trawls where it is believed that this would inform the recommendations in any project, on the understanding that any decisions regarding the release of employees

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would be taken by the relevant Committee; and

(4) that it be noted that a report setting out the proposed 2023/26 Budget Strategy will be presented to the next meeting of the Committee.

308 Accounts Commission Report on Local Government in Scotland Overview 2022 308

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities and Organisational Development providing (1) an update in relation to the Accounts Commission Report Local Government in Scotland Overview 2022 and information on how Inverclyde Council is currently tackling the issues raised and (2) an opportunity to consider if any additional actions are required.

Decided:

(1) that the contents of the Local Government in Scotland Overview 2022 report as detailed in appendix 1 of the report be noted;

(2) that (a) the work already underway or planned in response to the issues raised be noted and (b) it be agreed that no additional actions are required.

309 Pregnancy Loss Pledge 309

There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy and Communications (1) providing information on the Miscarriage Association's Pregnancy Loss Pledge (2) seeking approval to enhance the support it provides to employees dealing with grief by signing the Pledge and (3) seeking approval of an increase from the Parental Bereavement (Leave and Pay) Act 2018 from two weeks statutory paid leave to two weeks full paid leave, regardless of service.

Decided:

(1) that (a) the Miscarriage Association's Pregnancy Loss Pledge be noted and (b) that it be agreed to enhance the support Inverclyde Council provides to employees dealing with grief by signing up to the Pledge;

(2) that it be agreed to enhance the current Council provisions under Parental Bereavement Leave and Pay and the Conditions of Service to offer all parents 2 weeks full pay if they suffer a pregnancy loss at any time during their pregnancy and/or they lose a child up to the age of 18 years old; and

(3) that it be noted that a review will be undertaken of wider HR policies and procedures related to support for employees experiencing bereavement.

310 Review of Committee Report Format 310

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance seeking approval for proposed changes to the Council's corporate committee report template.

Decided:

(1) that the revised committee report template as detailed in appendix 1 of the report be approved subject to a review in 12 months' time; and

(2) that it be noted that the revised committee report template will be rolled out to officers, with guidance and training, ready for use from the start of the 2022/23 committee cycle of meetings in August 2022.

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.

311 Voluntary Severance Scheme Releases

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Policy & Communications providing an update on the position of releases that have been agreed under the Council's Voluntary Severance Scheme since the previous report to committee on 20 May 2021.

Decided:

- (1) that the agreement to release 39 employees under the Council's Voluntary Severance Scheme as detailed in appendix 1 of the report be noted; and
- (2) that it be noted that future reports will be submitted to update Members on the release of employees by the Chief Executive under delegated authority on an annual basis.

LOCAL POLICE & FIRE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 23 JUNE 2022

Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Committee

Thursday 23 June 2022 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Brennan, Cassidy (for McGuire), Clocherty, Crowther, Daisley, Law, McKenzie, Moran, Quinn, Reynolds and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Head of Culture Communities and Educational Resources, Ms A Sinclair for (Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Ms L Carrick and Mr C MacDonald (Legal & Democratic Services) and ICT & Customer Services Manager.

In attendance also: Superintendent D Duncan and Chief Inspector P Cameron (Police Scotland) and Area Commander D McCarrey and Group Commander M Henderson (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service).

The meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock with Councillors Crowther, Daisley and Law attending remotely.

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

312 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 312

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor McGuire with Councillor Cassidy substituting.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

313 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Performance Report 313

There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service during the reporting period 1 January 2022 to 31 March 2022. During the course of discussion on this item Area Commander McCarrey advised that the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Local Community Action team will engage with young people in Inverclyde during the Summer period raising awareness on issues in respect of water safety in Inverclyde and deliberate fire setting emergencies. Councillor Crowther joined the meeting during consideration of this item.

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

314 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Strategic Plan 2022-2025 314

There was submitted a report on the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Strategic Plan 2022 to 2025. Group Commander McCarrey advised Members the plan will deliver the strategic priorities set out for the Service by the Scottish Government.

Decided:

- (1) that the information contained in the plan be noted; and
- (2) that the opportunity for providing feedback to the Scottish Fire and Rescue

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Service on the outcomes as set out at section 7 of the plan be noted.

315 Police Scotland Performance Report**315**

There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of Police Scotland during the reporting period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022. During the course of discussion on this item reference was made to Community Policing in Inverclyde. Chief Inspector Cameron undertook to provide an update report to the next meeting of the Committee on Community Policing in Inverclyde including information on resources over the last 5 to 6 years.

Decided:

- (1) that the information contained in the report be noted; and
- (2) that a report be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee on Community Policing in Inverclyde including information on resources over the last 5 to 6 years.

316 Local Police and Fire Scrutiny Committee Update Report**316**

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

Decided: that the current and emerging issues relating to Police and Fire & Rescue matters be noted.

AUDIT COMMITTEE – 28 JUNE 2022

Audit Committee

Tuesday 28 June 2022 at 3pm

Present: Provost McKenzie, Councillors Crowther, Curley, McCabe, McCormick, McVey, Nelson, Reynolds and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Nelson presided.

In attendance: Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance, Chief Internal Auditor, Mr M Thomson and Mr G Smith (Finance Services), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Ms D Sweeney, Mr C MacDonald and Ms K MacVey (Legal & Democratic Services).

In attendance also: Mr M Laird (Audit Scotland).

The meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock with Councillors Crowther, McCabe, McCormick, McVey and Reynolds attending by video-conference.

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

317 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 317

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor McCluskey and Councillor McGuire.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

318 Unaudited Annual Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2022 318

There was submitted a report by the Interim Director Finance & Corporate Governance requesting the Committee to review the unaudited Annual Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 and approve their submission to Audit Scotland. The Committee heard a short presentation on the position in respect of the unaudited Annual Accounts by Matt Thomson (Finance Manager).

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee having reviewed the unaudited Annual Accounts approve their onward submission to Audit Scotland; and
- (2) that it be noted that the External Auditor's Annual Report to Members for the Financial Year ended 31 March 2022 will be reported to the Council before 31 October 2022.