

SAFE, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 19 JUNE 2008

Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee

Thursday 19 June 2008 at 3.00 pm

Present: Councillors Brooks (for Ferguson), Clocherty (for McCabe), Dorrian, MacLeod, McCallum, Moran, Rebecchi, Wilson and White.

Chair: Councillor Moran presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Environment & Community Protection, Ms L Bairden (for Chief Financial Officer), Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal & Administration), Head of Planning, Housing & Transportation, Mr W Rice (Planning, Housing & Transportation) and Head of Safer Communities.

Apologies: Councillors Ferguson, Grieve, McCabe and McIlwee.

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

488 Modernising Planning Appeals: Scottish Government Consultation

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment & Community Protection (1) on proposed changes to the system of processing planning appeals in Scotland and (2) advising of the response submitted to the Scottish Government on the Modernising Planning Appeals consultation paper, a copy which was appended to the report.

(Councillor Clocherty entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided: that the Committee endorse the consultation response to the Scottish Government on the Modernising Planning Appeals consultation paper.

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 6 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

489 Private Sector Housing Grant (PSHG) - Strategic Housing Investment 2008/09 - 2009/10

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment & Community Protection (1) providing updated information on Private Sector Housing Grant (PSHG) investment in 2008/09 - 2009/10 and (2) advising of particular priorities and opportunities created by the removal of the rule of annuality, which will allow any unspent funding in 2008/09 to be rolled over into 2009/10.

Decided: that consideration of whether or not to invest PSHG funding in either of the properties identified in paragraphs 4.2 and 4.3 of the report be continued to the next meeting of the Committee to allow the owners of the properties the opportunity to submit further information.