

THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL - 5 FEBRUARY 2009

The Inverclyde Council

Thursday 5 February 2009 at 4.00 pm

Present: Provost McCormick, Councillors Ahlfeld, Blair, Brooks, Clocherty, Dorrian, Fyfe, Loughran, MacLeod, McCabe, McCallum, McIlwee, McKenzie, Moran, Osborne, Rebecchi, White and Wilson.

Chair: Provost McCormick presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education & Social Care, Corporate Director Environment & Community Protection, Corporate Director Improvement & Performance, Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources, Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Administration), Mr M Bingham (for Head of Corporate Communications & Public Affairs) and Chief Internal Auditor.

Apologies: Councillors Ferguson and Grieve.

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive appending the latest progress report on the Inverclyde Council Audit of Best Value and Community Planning published by the Accounts Commission on 28 January 2009.

Mr Peter Tait and Ms Elaine Boyd of Audit Scotland were present and Mr Tait addressed the Council in relation to the contents of the report.

Decided:

- (1) that the Council welcome the publication by the Accounts Commission of the latest progress report on the Audit of Best Value and Community Planning;
- (2) that the Committee note the extremely positive comments made in the report and express its appreciation to all concerned for achieving the significant progress since the initial report in June 2005;
- (3) that it be noted that the areas where the Council requires to focus attention with regard to improvement will be addressed through the Organisational Improvement Plan approved by the Policy & Resources Committee on 3 February 2009; and
- (4) that it be noted that the next formal assessment of the Council will be through the second phase of the Audit of Best Value and Community Planning which will be undertaken by Audit Scotland for all local authorities.