

SAFE, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 19 MAY 2010

Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee

Wednesday 19 May 2010 at 4.00 pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Dorrian, McCabe, McIlwee, Moran and McKenzie (for Wilson).

Chair: Councillor Moran presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Regeneration and Environment, Head of Environmental and Commercial Services, Mr R Graham (Environmental and Commercial Services), Mr M Thomson (for Chief Financial Officer), Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal and Democratic Services) and Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications and Public Affairs).

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

329 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 329

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors MacLeod, Rebecchi, White and Wilson with Councillor McKenzie substituting for Councillor Wilson.

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to commencement of the meeting.

330 Inverclyde Flood Action Plan Progress Report 330

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration and Environment seeking (1) approval of the proposed Flood Action Plan and (2) authority to enter into agreements with outside parties with a view to alleviating flooding in Inverclyde.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the proposed Flood Action Plan detailed in the report;
- (2) that approval be given for the Council to establish land ownership within the Eastern Line of Falls area as a matter of urgency with a view to carrying out the necessary repairs and recovering costs where ownership/responsibility for the Line lies with a third party;
- (3) that it be agreed that works be progressed to the West Station area and five reservoirs above The Cut as outlined in Appendix 1, at an estimated cost of £425,000;
- (4) that the Policy & Resources Committee be requested to grant approval for any sums allocated to the Council in 2010/11 to meet its obligations in respect of the Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009 being allocated to Environmental & Commercial Services for the purpose of progressing preparatory work/investigations relating to the Flood Action Plan; and
- (5) that approval be given to the proposal that the Council open negotiations with Scottish Water with a view to entering into an agreement regarding the volumes of discharged water from Scottish Water's reservoirs at Whinhill and Overton B.