

THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL - 29 NOVEMBER 2012

The Inverclyde Council

Thursday 29 November 2012 at 4 pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, Dorrian, Grieve, Jones, Loughran, MacLeod, McCabe, McColgan, McCormick, McEleny, McIlwee, Nelson, Rebecchi, Shepherd and Wilson.

Chair: Provost Moran presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Legal & Democratic Services, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Business/Democratic Services Manager and Corporate Communications Manager.

Apologies and Declarations of Interest

No apologies or declarations of interest were intimated.

**Minutes of Meetings of
The Inverclyde Council, Committees, Sub-Committees and Boards**

689	The Inverclyde Council - 4 October 2012	689
	Approved on the motion of Provost Moran.	
690	General Purposes Board - 10 October 2012	690
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.	
691	Grants Sub-Committee - 16 October 2012	691
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.	
692	Audit Committee - 16 October 2012	692
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Rebecchi.	
693	Inverclyde CHCP Sub-Committee - 18 October 2012	693
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.	

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| 694 | Health & Social Care Committee - 18 October 2012 | 694 |
| | <p>Approved on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.</p> | |
| 695 | Environment & Regeneration Committee - 25 October 2012 | 695 |
| | <p>Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.</p> | |
| 696 | Education & Communities Committee - 30 October 2012 | 696 |
| | <p>Approved on the motion of Councillor Loughran.</p> | |
| 697 | Planning Board - 7 November 2012 | 697 |
| | <p>Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson.</p> | |
| 698 | Policy & Resources Committee - 13 November 2012 | 698 |
| | <p>Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.</p> | |
| 699 | General Purposes Board - 14 November 2012 | 699 |
| | <p>Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.</p> | |
| 700 | Human Resources Appeals Board - 27 November 2012 | 700 |
| | <p>Approved on the motion of Councillor Brooks.</p> | |
| 701 | Inverclyde Area Support Team - Appointment of Elected Member | 701 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources requesting the Council to appoint a representative to serve on the Inverclyde Area Support Team.</p> | |
| | <p>Decided: that Councillor Brennan be appointed to serve on the Inverclyde Area Support Team.</p> | |
| 702 | Scheme of Delegation | 702 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services seeking approval of an updated Scheme of Delegation to Officers, a copy of which was appended to the report.</p> | |
| | <p>The Head of Legal & Democratic Services advised Members that items 25-32 inclusive set out on page 38 of the Scheme should, in fact, be on page 31.</p> | |
| | <p>Decided: that, subject to adjustment to pages 31 and 38, approval be given to the Scheme of Delegation forming appendix 1 to the report.</p> | |

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- 703 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Various Locations, Inverclyde (No Stopping) Order 2012 703**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the proposed Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Various Locations, Inverclyde (No Stopping) Order 2012.
- Resolved** on the motion of Councillor McCormick seconded by Councillor Dorrian that THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL, incorporated under the Local Government Etc. (Scotland) Act 1994, RESOLVE TO MAKE as they HEREBY MAKE a Resolution under Sections 1(1), 2(1) and (2) and Part III of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to introduce no stopping between 8 am and 5 pm Monday to Friday outside 12 Inverclyde schools, all as detailed in a copy of the Order forming a supplement to the principal minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Democratic Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.
- 704 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - Knowe Road, Greenock (Waiting Restrictions) Order 2012 704**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the proposed Traffic Regulation Order - Knowe Road, Greenock (Waiting Restrictions) Order 2012.
- Resolved** on the motion of Councillor McCormick seconded by Councillor Dorrian that THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL, incorporated under the Local Government Etc. (Scotland) Act 1994, RESOLVE TO MAKE as they HEREBY MAKE a Resolution under Sections 1(1), 2(1) and (3) and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to introduce waiting restrictions at Knowe Road, Greenock all as detailed in a copy of the Order forming a supplement to the principal minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Democratic Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.
- 705 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - A770 Cloch Road, Gourock (Revocation and Maximum Speed Limit) Order 2012 705**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the proposed Traffic Regulation Order - A770 Cloch Road, Gourock (Revocation and Maximum Speed Limit) Order 2012.
- Resolved** on the motion of Councillor McCormick seconded by Councillor Dorrian that THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL incorporated under the Local Government Etc. (Scotland) Act 1994, RESOLVE TO MAKE as they HEREBY MAKE a Resolution under Sections 1(1), 2(1) and (2) and Part III of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to revoke the existing order titled 'The Strathclyde Regional Council (Route A78, Cloch Road, Gourock) (Restricted Roads) (No. 1) Order 1982' and extend the 30 mph speed limit on the A770 Cloch Road to the west of Faulds Park Road and from this point to Bankfoot Roundabout reduce the National Speed Limit to 50 mph, all as detailed in a copy of the Order forming a supplement to the principal minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Democratic Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

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706 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - A761 Kilmacolm Road, Port Glasgow; Port Glasgow Road, Kilmacolm (Maximum Speed Limit) Order 2012 706

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the proposed Traffic Regulation Order - A761 Kilmacolm Road, Port Glasgow; Port Glasgow Road, Kilmacolm (Maximum Speed Limit) Order 2012.

Resolved on the motion of Councillor McCormick seconded by Councillor Dorrian that THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL, incorporated under the Local Government Etc. (Scotland) Act 1994, RESOLVE TO MAKE as they HEREBY MAKE a Resolution under Sections 1(1), 2(1) and (2) and Part III of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to extend the existing 30 mph speed limit to the south side of the roundabout and from this point reduce the speed limit from the National Speed Limit to 50 mph between Port Glasgow and Kilmacolm, all as detailed in a copy of the Order forming a supplement to the principal minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Democratic Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

707 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - B788 Kilmacolm Road, Greenock; Auchmountain Road, Port Glasgow; Auchenfoil Road, Kilmacolm (Maximum Speed Limit) Order 2012 707

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the proposed Traffic Regulation Order - B788 Kilmacolm Road, Greenock; Auchmountain Road, Port Glasgow; Auchenfoil Road, Kilmacolm (Maximum Speed Limit) Order 2012.

Resolved on the motion of Councillor McCormick seconded by Councillor Dorrian that THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL, incorporated under the Local Government Etc. (Scotland) Act 1994, RESOLVE TO MAKE as they HEREBY MAKE a Resolution under Sections 1(1), 2(1) and (2) and Part III of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to reduce the National Speed Limit to 50 mph between the existing 30 mph speed limit close to Leven Road and a point south of the junction with Dougliehill Road, all as detailed in a copy of the Order forming a supplement to the principal minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Democratic Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

708 Clyde Valley Shared Services Review: Progress and Shared ICT Infrastructure/Services Project 708

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive (1) on the present position of the Clyde Valley Review of Shared Services and (2) seeking approval for the development of a shared project in respect of ICT Services.

Decided: that the Council:-

- (1) note the present position of the Clyde Valley Review of Shared Services;
- (2) consider the proposal in respect of sharing of ICT infrastructure/services amongst the four participating Councils;
- (3) approve participation in the development of the ICT shared service as set out in section 7 of the report and delegate authority to the Chief Executive to spend up to £100,000 from the 2012/13 Contingency as the Council's contribution towards the project subject to the Chief Executive being satisfied that the ongoing business case justifies the investment;

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- (4) remit it to the Chief Executive to report back to the Policy & Resources Committee throughout the ICT project development;
- (5) note the Council's ongoing work in respect of future Shared Services in participation with other Councils;
- (6) approve the governance structure as set out in appendix 3 to the report for the progress and monitoring of the Council's Strategic Corporate Programmes; and
- (7) note the finalisation of the Operating Model with the delivery of its recurring savings and the closure of the Transformation Board.

709 Police and Fire Reform - Local Scrutiny Arrangements

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) on the background to the local scrutiny arrangements for the National Police and Fire Services and (2) recommending that the Education & Communities Committee perform this function.

Decided:

- (1) that it be agreed that a sub-committee of the Education & Communities Committee carry out the scrutiny of local police and fire plans from 1 April 2013; and
- (2) that the Councillors appointed to the Education & Communities Committee form the membership of the Local Police and Fire Scrutiny Sub-Committee.

710 Treasury Management - Mid-Year Review Report 2012/13 - Remit from Policy & Resources Committee

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Policy & Resources Committee of 13 November 2012 on the Mid-Year Review Report on Treasury Management for 2012/13.

Decided: that the Council approve the Treasury Management Mid-Year Review Report 2012/13.

711 Accounts of Charitable Trusts and Reorganisation

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer requesting the Council, as Trustees of the Council's Charitable Trusts, to (1) review and approve the annual accounts for the year ended 31 March 2012 and approve their submission to the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator by the statutory deadline of 31 December 2012, (2) approve proposals for the reorganisation and winding up of the charitable trusts and (3) approve the level of Governance Fees for trusts with effect from 2012-13.

Decided: that the Council, as Trustees of the Council's Charitable Trusts:

- (1) note and approve the annual accounts for each charity for the year ended 31 March 2012 and approve their onward transmission to the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator;
- (2) approve the proposals for the wind up and distribution of the charitable trusts as set out in appendices 1 and 2 to the report; and
- (3) agree that from 2012-13, the Trusts pay £250 per year each to reflect the Council officer support and advice they receive.

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712 Riverside Inverclyde Business Plan 2012-17: Alterations to Spend Profile and Mid Term Review 712

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for alterations to the spend profile and mid term review referred to in the Riverside Inverclyde Business Plan 2012-17, approved by the Environment & Regeneration Committee at the meeting on 25 October 2012 following Riverside Inverclyde's successful bid to the Scottish Government for advance future years' funded projects.

It was agreed unanimously to suspend Standing Orders to allow consideration of this matter.

Decided:

(1) that approval be given to the re-profiling of Riverside Inverclyde's Business Plan projections as outlined in the report; and

(2) that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources in collaboration with Scottish Enterprise to tender for and appoint appropriately qualified consultants to undertake Riverside Inverclyde's mid term review and that a report be submitted for Members' consideration in due course.

Appendices to Minutes

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 on the grounds that consideration of the following item involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act, as detailed in the minute of the relevant Committee or Board.

713 Environment & Regeneration Committee - 25 October 2012 713

Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.

714 Policy & Resources Committee - 13 November 2012 714

Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.

715 Human Resources Appeals Board - 27 November 2012 715

Approved on the motion of Councillor Brooks.

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Planning Board

Wednesday 5 December 2012 at 3pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, McIlwee, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Head of Regeneration & Planning, Development & Building Standards Manager, Mr M Higginbotham (Environmental & Commercial Services) and Mr J Kerr (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services).

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

716 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 716

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

717 PLANNING APPLICATIONS 717

There were submitted reports by the Head of Regeneration & Planning on the following applications which were dealt with as follows:-

**(a) Erection of one 50KW 34.378M high wind turbine:
Shielhill Farm, Dunrod Road, Inverkip (12/0286/IC)**

The report recommended that planning permission be refused as a combination of height and scale, proximity to Dunrod Road, the Greenock to Overton Cut (designated as a Core Footpath, to encourage the public into the countryside and as an Outstanding Area of Regional Industrial Archaeological Significance), Dunrod Hill and The Cut Visitor Centre combine to create an unexpected and dominant feature in this part of Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park contrary to:-

- a. Policy UT6 of the Inverclyde Local Plan, criteria (a) and (b);
- b. Interim Inverclyde Local Plan Policy UT6A, criterion (c);
- c. Interim Inverclyde Local Plan Policy UT6B, criterion (f); and
- d. Inverclyde Local Plan Policy HR1, criterion (b).

Decided: that consideration of the application be continued for a site visit to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair.

**(b) Construction of 38 flatted dwellings with associated access/site entrance, access road, car parking, lock-ups and landscaping:
Site of demolished Ramada Jarvis Hotel, Cloch Road, Gourock (12/0199/IC)**

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

- (1) that samples of all facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to their use, to ensure the appropriateness of these materials;
- (2) that prior to the occupation of the first of the flats in each of the blocks hereby permitted, the roads and footways leading thereto and the car parking bays associated

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with the relevant block shall be surfaced to sealed base course level and shall be maintained to that standard thereafter, to ensure the provision of adequate vehicular and pedestrian facilities appropriate to each stage of the development;

(3) that prior to occupation of the last of the flats in each of the blocks, the roads and footways leading thereto and the car parking bays associated with the relevant block shall be surfaced to final wearing course level, to ensure the provision of adequate vehicular and pedestrian facilities appropriate to each stage of the development;

(4) that the approved landscaping scheme shall be implemented in full prior to occupation of the last flat, to ensure provision of the approved landscaping scheme;

(5) that any trees, shrubs or areas of grass that die, are removed, damaged or become diseased within 5 years of planting shall be replaced within the following year with others of a similar size and species, to ensure retention of the approved landscaping scheme;

(6) that no development shall commence until a bond to cover the costs of implementation of the approved soft landscaping scheme has been lodged with the Council, to ensure the provision of the approved soft landscaping scheme;

(7) that following completion of the approved landscaping scheme the approved management and maintenance plan shall come into force, to ensure retention of the approved landscaping scheme;

(8) that all surface water drainage from the site shall be treated in accordance with the principles of the Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Manual (C697) (CIRIA 2007). Before development commences, details shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority of the maintenance regime for the water detention areas, to control runoff from the site to reduce the risk of flooding;

(9) that prior to the start of development, details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed shall be 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 treatment is completed as per the methodology and treatment statement. Any variation to the treatment methodologies will require subsequent approval by the Planning Authority prior to development starting on site, to help arrest the potential spread of Japanese Knotweed in the interests of environmental protection;

(10) that the development shall not commence until a risk assessment of all pollutant linkages, including any necessary remediation strategy with timescale for implementation, 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 acceptable codes of practice. The remediation strategy shall include verification/validation methodologies. This may be incorporated as part of a ground condition report and should include an appraisal of options, to satisfactorily address potential contamination issues in the interests of environmental safety;

(11) that on completion of remediation and verification/validation works and prior to the site being occupied, the developer shall submit a Completion Report for approval, in writing, by the Planning Authority, confirming that the works have been carried out in accordance with the remediation strategy. This report shall demonstrate that no pollutant linkages remain or are likely to occur and include (but not be limited to) a collation of verification/validation certificates, analysis information, remediation lifespan, maintenance/aftercare information and details of imported/disposed/reused materials relevant to the site, to provide verification that remediation has been carried out to the Planning Authority's satisfaction;

(12) that the presence of any previously unrecorded contamination or variation to reported ground conditions that becomes evident during site works shall be brought to the attention of the Planning Authority within one week. Consequential amendments to the Remediation Strategy shall not be implemented unless it has been submitted to and

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approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority, to ensure that all contamination issues are recorded and dealt with appropriately;

(13) that no material shall be imported onto the site until written details of the source of the imported material has been submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority. The details, which shall be submitted no later than four weeks prior to the material being imported onto the site, shall include: the source of the imported material, any potential source(s) of contamination within 50 metres of the source of the material to be imported and verification analysis information. The material must not be imported on to the site until written approval has first been received from the Planning Authority. The material from the source agreed only shall be imported in strict accordance with these agreed details, to protect receptors from the harmful effects of imported contamination;

(14) that the right turn stacking lane shown on the approved drawings shall be implemented prior to the first of the flats hereby permitted being occupied, in the interests of vehicular safety;

(15) that the boundary fencing to the rear of the adjoining bungalows shall be erected prior to the adjacent parking spaces being brought into use, in the interests of the privacy of adjacent residents;

(16) that prior to the commencement of development details of a fully costed long term inspection and maintenance programme for all drainage on the site shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to help reduce the potential for flooding;

(17) that the applicant shall submit to the Planning Authority a detailed specification of the containers to be used to store waste materials and recyclable materials produced on the premises as well as specific details of the areas where such containers are to be located. The use of the residential accommodation shall not commence until the above details are approved in writing by the Planning Authority and the equipment and any structural changes are in place, to protect the amenity of the immediate area, prevent the creation of nuisance due to odours, insects, rodents or birds; and

(18) that prior to any construction work starting on site, tree protection measures in accordance with Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction - Recommendations, currently 5837:2012, shall be erected and not removed during the course of construction work, to ensure retention of the trees not to be removed.

**(c) Installation of external lightning protection system:
McLean Museum & Art Gallery, 15 Kelly Street, Greenock (12/0300/IC & 12/0025/LB)**

Decided:

(1) that planning permission be granted subject to the condition that no development shall commence until the colours of the PVC insulation for the roof tape and conductor wires (hereby approved) have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority; development thereafter shall proceed utilising the approved materials unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to minimise the visual impact on the listed building and on the Greenock West End Conservation Area; and

(2) that the listed building application be formally referred to Historic Scotland with a recommendation that listed building consent be granted subject to the condition that no development shall commence until the colours of the PVC insulation for the roof tape and conductor wires (hereby approved) have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority; development thereafter shall proceed utilising the approved materials unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to minimise the visual impact on the listed building and on the Greenock West End Conservation Area.

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**(d) Change of use to form new library:
7 Wallace Place, Greenock (12/0289/IC)**

Decided: that planning permission be granted.

**(e) Change of use of Class 1 shop unit to form an extension to adjoining library:
Former craft shop, 83 Cathcart Street, Greenock (12/0309/IC)**

Decided: that planning permission be granted subject to the condition that, prior to their installation, full elevational details of the fire exit doors shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to allow the Planning Authority to retain control in the interests of visual amenity.

**(f) Construction of 22 dwellinghouses and associated works (amendment to planning permission IC/02/05R):
Former Broadfield Hospital, Port Glasgow (11/0180/IC)**

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

- (1) that the conversion and restoration of the Grade A listed Broadstone House shall be completed prior to the first occupation of the Phase 3 new build housing as described in the attached phasing plan, to ensure the completed restoration of the Grade A listed building;
- (2) that there shall be no drainage connection to the trunk road drainage system, to ensure the efficiency of the existing drainage network is not adversely affected and to ensure that the standard of construction is commensurate with that required within the road boundary;
- (3) that no development shall commence until render colour samples have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority; development thereafter shall proceed utilising the approved colours unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure the selection of materials sympathetic with the setting of Broadstone House;
- (4) that development shall be carried out in accordance with the recommendations of the bat survey submitted with the planning application and the required details of bat friendly light sources and tree protection measures submitted for the prior written approval of the Planning Authority, to accord with the requirements of Scottish Natural Heritage;
- (5) that trees identified to be retained in the Ironside Farrar Tree Survey drawing 4482-606A, hereby approved, shall be protected for the duration of the site works in accordance with BS5837- details of same shall be submitted for the prior written approval of the Planning Authority, to ensure the maintenance of a high quality landscape setting for the development;
- (6) that full details of a management regime for all site boundaries shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority, to ensure the maintenance of a high quality landscape setting for the development;
- (7) that the approved scheme of landscaping shall be implemented in the first planting season following completion of the development. Any species that within the subsequent 5 years die, become diseased or are damaged shall be replanted in the next planting season with a similar specimen unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any variation that may be sought, to ensure the maintenance of a high quality landscape setting for the development;
- (8) that the presence of any previously unrecorded contamination or variation to reported ground conditions that becomes evident during site works shall be brought to the

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attention of the Planning Authority within one week. Consequential amendments to the Remediation Strategy shall not be implemented unless it has been submitted to and approved, in writing by the Planning Authority, to provide for the recording and management of all contamination issues;

(9) that no fill or landscaping material shall be imported onto the site until written details of the source and intended reuse of the imported materials have been submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority. The report shall characterise the chemical quality (including soil-leachate and organic content etc), volume and source of the imported materials with corresponding cross-sections and plans indicating spatial distribution and depth/thickness of material placement within the development site. The material from the source agreed only shall be imported in strict accordance with these agreed details, to protect receptors from the harmful effects of imported contamination; and

(10) that no development shall commence until evidence has been submitted of Scottish Water's approval of the layout and the recommendations of the Flood Risk assessment submitted with the planning application, to prevent harm from flooding.

**(g) Construction of 24 dwellinghouses and associated access (amendment to planning permission IC/02/05R):
Former Broadfield Hospital, Port Glasgow (11/0179/IC)**

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

(1) that the conversion and restoration of the Grade A listed Broadstone House shall be completed prior to the first occupation of the Phase 3 new build housing as described in the attached phasing plan, to ensure the completed restoration of the Grade A listed building;

(2) that there shall be no drainage connection to the trunk road drainage system, to ensure the efficiency of the existing drainage network is not adversely affected and to ensure that the standard of construction is commensurate with that required within the road boundary;

(3) that no development shall commence until render colour samples have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority; development thereafter shall proceed utilising the approved colours unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure the selection of materials sympathetic with the setting of Broadstone House;

(4) that development shall be carried out in accordance with the recommendations of the bat survey submitted with the planning application and the required details of bat friendly light sources and tree protection measures submitted for the prior written approval of the Planning Authority, to accord with the requirements of Scottish Natural Heritage;

(5) that trees identified to be retained in the Ironside Farrar Tree Survey drawing 4482-606A, hereby approved, shall be protected for the duration of the site works in accordance with BS5837- details of same shall be submitted for the prior written approval of the Planning Authority, to ensure the maintenance of a high quality landscape setting for the development;

(6) that full details of a management regime for all site boundaries shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority, to ensure the maintenance of a high quality landscape setting for the development;

(7) that the approved scheme of landscaping shall be implemented in the first planting season following completion of the development. Any species that within the subsequent 5 years die, become diseased or are damaged shall be replanted in the next planting season with a similar specimen unless the Planning Authority gives its prior

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written approval to any variation that may be sought, to ensure the maintenance of a high quality landscape setting for the development;

(8) that the presence of any previously unrecorded contamination or variation to reported ground conditions that becomes evident during site works shall be brought to the attention of the Planning Authority within one week. Consequential amendments to the Remediation Strategy shall not be implemented unless it has been submitted to and approved, in writing by the Planning Authority, to provide for the recording and management of all contamination issues;

(9) that no fill or landscaping material shall be imported onto the site until written details of the source and intended reuse of the imported materials have been submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority. The report shall characterise the chemical quality (including soil-leachate and organic content etc), volume and source of the imported materials with corresponding cross-sections and plans indicating spatial distribution and depth/thickness of material placement within the development site. The material from the source agreed only shall be imported in strict accordance with these agreed details, to protect receptors from the harmful effects of imported contamination; and

(10) that no development shall commence until evidence has been submitted of Scottish Water's approval of the layout and the recommendations of the Flood Risk assessment submitted with the planning application, to prevent harm from flooding.

**(h) Amendment to planning permission 09/0050/IC to vary phasing plan linking the restoration of Broadstone House to the new build housing:
Former Broadfield Hospital, Port Glasgow (12/0273/IC)**

Decided: that planning permission be granted subject to the condition that the development subject of this phasing plan shall be undertaken in accordance with the following conditions unless otherwise approved in writing by the Planning Authority:-

(a) that the conversion and restoration of the Grade A listed Broadstone House shall be completed prior to the first occupation of the Phase 3 new build housing as described in the phasing plan, to ensure the details of phased development of the site will provide for the completed restoration of the Grade A listed Broadstone House;

(b) that there shall be no drainage connection to the trunk road drainage system, to ensure the details of phased development of the site will not affect the efficiency of the existing drainage network and ensure that the standard of construction is commensurate with that required within the road boundary;

(c) that no development shall commence until render colour samples have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority; development thereafter shall proceed utilising the approved colours unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure the details of phased development of the site will provide for the selection of materials sympathetic with the setting of Broadstone House;

(d) that development shall be carried out in accordance with the recommendations of the bat survey submitted with the planning application and the required details of bat friendly light sources and tree protection measures submitted for the prior written approval of the Planning Authority, to ensure the details of phased development of the site will accord with the requirements of Scottish Natural Heritage;

(e) that trees identified to be retained in the Ironside Farrar Tree Survey drawing 4482-606A, hereby approved, shall be protected for the duration of the site works in accordance with BS5837- details of same shall be submitted for the prior written approval of the Planning Authority, to ensure the details of phased development of the site will provide for the maintenance of a high quality landscape setting for the development;

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(f) that full details of a management regime for all site boundaries shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority, to ensure the details of phased development of the site will provide for the maintenance of a high quality landscape setting for the development;

(g) that the approved scheme of landscaping shall be implemented in the first planting season following completion of the development. Any species that within the subsequent 5 years die, become diseased or are damaged shall be replanted in the next planting season with a similar specimen unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any variation that may be sought, to ensure the details of phased development of the site will provide for the maintenance of a high quality landscape setting for the development;

(h) that the presence of any previously unrecorded contamination or variation to reported ground conditions that becomes evident during site works shall be brought to the attention of the Planning Authority within one week. Consequential amendments to the Remediation Strategy shall not be implemented unless it has been submitted to and approved, in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure the details of phased development of the site will provide for the recording and management of all contamination issues;

(i) that no fill or landscaping material shall be imported onto the site until written details of the source and intended reuse of the imported materials have been submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority. The report shall characterise the chemical quality (including soil-leachate and organic content etc), volume and source of the imported materials with corresponding cross-sections and plans indicating spatial distribution and depth/thickness of material placement within the development site. The material from the source agreed only shall be imported in strict accordance with these agreed details, to ensure the details of phased development of the site will protect receptors from the harmful effects of imported contamination; and

(j) that no development shall commence until evidence has been submitted of Scottish Water's approval of the layout and the recommendations of the Flood Risk assessment submitted with the planning application, to ensure the details of phased development of the site will prevent harm from flooding.

**(i) Siting of storage container:
Playing Fields, Quarriers Village (12/0265/IC)**

The report recommended that planning permission be granted subject to a number of conditions.

After discussion, Provost Moran moved that planning permission be granted subject to the conditions detailed in the report. As an amendment, Councillor Jones moved that planning permission be refused (1) as the container would be out of character with the surrounding environment and (2) as the proposal would set a precedent for the siting of containers on playing fields in equally picturesque environments. On a vote, 3 Members voted for the amendment and 8 for the motion which was declared carried.

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

(1) that the container hereby permitted shall be used solely in connection with the storage of equipment used by local sports clubs during games and training on the playing fields, to retain effective control over the use of the container;

(2) that the container hereby permitted shall be finished in a green colour to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority and maintained in this colour at all times thereafter, to ensure the container is finished in an appropriate colour;

(3) that prior to the siting of the container on site, full details of a landscaping scheme to screen views of the container together with programme for completion and future

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maintenance shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority. Development shall then proceed as approved unless any alternative is agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure the provision of an appropriate landscaping scheme to screen views of the container, in the interest of visual amenity;

(4) that any of the trees or planted shrubs approved in terms of condition 3 above that die, become diseased, are damaged or removed shall be replaced with others of a similar size and species within the following planting season, to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, to ensure the retention of the approved landscaping scheme to screen views of the container;

(5) that prior to the commencement of work on site, details of any ground works required to accommodate the container shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Works shall then proceed as approved, to ensure that no ground works which may unacceptably damage adjacent trees are undertaken;

(6) that if the container hereby permitted becomes redundant or falls out of use at any time in the future, it shall be removed and the site restored to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority within 2 months of the date at which the container became redundant or fell out of use, to ensure the future removal of the container in an appropriate timescale, in the interests of the visual appearance of the Quarriers Village Conservation Area; and

(7) that should any damage occur to the ground during the siting of the container, the ground will be reinstated to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority within 4 weeks of the date the damage occurred, to ensure any damage caused during the siting of the container is addressed, in the interests of visual amenity.

718 PLANNING APPEAL - 21 ELDON STREET, GREENOCK

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There was submitted a report by Head of Regeneration & Planning advising that following the decision of the Board at the meeting held on 1 August 2012 to refuse planning permission for the partial demolition and conversion of former car showroom to form retail unit at 21 Eldon Street, Greenock (12/0083/IC), an appeal against the refusal of planning permission had been made to the Scottish Government.

Noted

719 ADVERTISEMENT APPEAL - UNIT 2, 13 CUSTOMHOUSE WAY, WATERFRONT RETAIL PARK, GREENOCK

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There was submitted a report by Head of Regeneration & Planning advising that following the decision of the Board at the meeting held on 5 September 2012 to refuse advertisement consent for the installation of an internally illuminated high level sign above the customer entrance, the erection of four lockable poster units beside the entrance, the installation of two sets of digitally printed glazing vinyl on the shopfront window areas on either side of the entrance and the erection of a small non-illuminated sign on the rear facing elevation adjacent to the goods area at Unit 2, 13 Customhouse Way, Greenock (12/0013/CA), an appeal against the refusal of advertisement consent had been made to the Scottish Government.

Noted

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Local Review Body

Wednesday 5 December 2012 at 4pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors McColgan (for Dorrian), Loughran, Nelson and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Mr R Gimby (Regeneration & Planning Services) and Mr J Kerr (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services).

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

720 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 720

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Dorrian, with Councillor McColgan substituting.

Councillors Nelson and Wilson declared an interest in Agenda Item 2(a) (erection of two 33m high wind 50kw turbines with associated works at Kellybank Cottage, Kelly Road, Wemyss Bay (12/0085/IC)).

721 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW 721

**(a) Erection of two 33m high wind 50kw turbines with associated works:
Kellybank Cottage, Kelly Road, Wemyss Bay (12/0085/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the erection of two 33m high wind 50kw turbines with associated works at Kellybank Cottage, Kelly Road, Wemyss Bay (12/0085/IC).

Councillors Nelson and Wilson declared non-financial interests in this matter as Board Members of Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park and left the meeting. Provost Moran assumed the Chair for this item of business.

Decided:

- (1) that sufficient information had not been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that, in terms of Regulation 16 of the Town & Country Planning (Schemes of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2008, consideration of the application for review be continued for an accompanied site inspection to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair.

Councillors Nelson and Wilson returned to the meeting at this juncture and Councillor Wilson resumed the Chair.

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**(b) Proposed mobile home garage:
Woodbourne, Wemyss Bay Road, Wemyss Bay (12/0131/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for a proposed mobile home garage at Woodbourne, Wemyss Bay Road, Wemyss Bay (12/0131/IC).

After discussion, Councillor Wilson moved:-

- (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the appointed officer's determination) for the following reason as set out in the Decision Notice dated 6 June 2012:-
 - (i) the overall profiled metal sheet finish gives the garage an industrial character and appearance, with an adverse visual impact, unexpected within a domestic garden and, as such, fails to meet Local Plan policy H1's aim of safeguarding residential character and amenity.

As an amendment, Councillor Loughran moved:-

- (1) that sufficient information had not been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that, in terms of Regulation 16 of the Town & Country Planning (Schemes of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2008, consideration of the application for review be continued for an unaccompanied site inspection to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair.

On a vote, 2 Members voted for the motion and 3 for the amendment which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that sufficient information had not been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that, in terms of Regulation 16 of the Town & Country Planning (Schemes of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2008, consideration of the application for review be continued for an unaccompanied site inspection to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair.

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 12 DECEMBER 2012

General Purposes Board**Wednesday 12 December 2012 at 3.00 pm**

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Jones, McColgan, McIlwee and Shepherd.

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Sergeant David Macdonald, Strathclyde Police.

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

722 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest**722**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Grieve, Loughran, McEleny and Rebecchi with Councillor Shepherd substituting for Councillor Rebecchi.

There were no declarations of interest.

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

723 Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence: Peter McCullagh**723**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services requesting the Board to consider upholding the immediate suspension of the Taxi Driver's Licence granted to Mr McCullagh and also note the position in relation to his renewal application.

Mr McCullagh was not present or represented.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board that Mr McCullagh's Taxi Driver's Licence had been immediately suspended with effect from 13 November 2012 following an adverse medical report. The Board were also informed that Mr McCullagh had withdrawn his renewal application submitted on 24 September 2012.

Decided:

- (a) to uphold the immediate suspension; and
- (b) note the renewal application has been withdrawn.

724 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Mark O'Neill**724**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for the grant of Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr O'Neill following a police

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representation.

Mr O'Neill was present.

The Board heard Sergeant Macdonald in support of the police representation and Mr O'Neill in support of his application.

Decided: that the application be granted.

725 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Sean Grana

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Grana following a police objection.

Mr Grana was not present or represented.

The Board heard Sergeant Macdonald in support of the police objection.

Decided: that the application be refused.

726 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: William Smiley

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Smiley following an adverse medical report.

Mr Smiley was present at the start of the meeting and notified the Clerk that his solicitor was unable to attend the meeting today.

The Clerk in consultation with the Chair agreed that the application may be continued to a further meeting of the Board and Mr Smiley left prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board of the current position. There followed a discussion in terms of the letter submitted by the medical practitioner dated 11 December 2012 which was circulated to the Board.

Decided:

- (a) that the application be continued to the next meeting of the Board to allow Mr Smiley to be suitably represented and
- (b) remit to the Depute Clerk to request Dr Sykes attendance at the next meeting of the Board to clarify medical matters.

727 Application for Taxi Operator Licence: Vehicle Specially Adapted for the Disabled: John Ian Ellis

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for renewal of Taxi Operator Licence No. 228 by Mr Ellis. Mr Jarvie advised the Board that Mr Ellis had telephoned the Licensing Section explaining that he is unable to attend the meeting today due to other commitments.

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There followed a discussion in general terms in relation to licensing procedures when an application is made with no vehicle details.

Decided: that the application be continued to the next meeting of the Board.

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**Application for Second Hand Dealer's Licence: Mr Ahmar Muhammad
Premises: Greenock Gifts Limited, Hamilton Way, Oak Mall, Greenock**

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for the grant of a Second Hand Dealer's Licence by Mr Muhammad following a police representation.

Mr Muhammad was not present or represented.

The Board heard Sergeant Macdonald in support of the police representation.

Decided: that the application be refused.

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Application for Licence for House in Multiple Occupation

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a licence to operate Cardross View, Parkhill Avenue, Port Glasgow as a house in multiple occupation by Cloch Housing Association Ltd following a public objection.

The applicant and public objector were not present or represented.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board on the background of the application and the public objection.

Decided: that the application be granted.

The Inverclyde Council**Thursday 20 December 2012 at 4 pm**

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Brennan, Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, MacLeod, McCabe, McColgan, McCormick, McEleny, McIlwee, Nelson, Rebecchi and Shepherd.

Chair: Provost Moran presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership, Mr G Malone (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Chief Financial Officer, Chief Internal Auditor, Finance Manager, Accountancy Manager, Ms A Edmiston (Finance Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

730 Apologies and Declarations of Interest 730

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Ahlfeld, Grieve and Wilson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

731 Annual Audit Report 2011/12 731

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive appending the Annual Audit Report for 2011/12 issued by Grant Thornton, the Council's External Auditors.

Mr Gary Devlin of Grant Thornton was present, spoke to the report, commented positively on the Council and answered questions from Members.

Decided:

- (1) that the Council endorse the contents of the Annual Audit Report 2011/12; and
- (2) that the report be remitted to the Audit Committee for consideration of those issues which fall within that Committee's remit.

732 Update of Financial Strategy 2012/20 732

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer seeking approval of the revised Financial Strategy 2012/13 - 2019/20 appended to the report.

Decided: that the latest revision of the Financial Strategy for 2012/13 - 2019/20 as set out in the appendix to the report be approved.

733 2013/16 Budget - Updated Position

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the current position of the 2013/16 Revenue Budget following publication of Finance Circular 5/2012 by the Scottish Government and taking account of other developments subsequent to the meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee in November 2012. There was circulated to Members, updated appendix 5 in relation to the budget timetable post New Year.

Decided:

- (1) that the Council note the Local Government Finance Settlement announced by the Scottish Government and that the figures are in line with previous information reported to Members;
- (2) that the Council approve the proposed treatment of 3 pay related budget pressures and agree to these being scored against the pay inflation allowance within the Finance Strategy, thus reducing the Funding Gap by £1.16M;
- (3) that the Council note the £789,000 over-recovery in respect of the 2010/14 Workstream Savings Programme and agree in principle to the proposed Savings Workstreams for the 2013/16 Programme;
- (4) that the Council note the position in respect of the 2013/16 Capital Programme and agree to use £2M of General Fund Reserves to reduce the funding shortfall to £1.33M over 2013/16;
- (5) that agreement be given to the use of some of the projected "Free" Reserves as recommended by the Corporate Management Team and included in appendix 3 to the report;
- (6) that the Council note that in order to set a balanced budget in February 2013 for the period 2013/16, a further £4.74M savings require to be agreed by the Council and that work is ongoing in this regard;
- (7) that agreement be given to suspend Standing Orders in respect of the decision of the Environment & Regeneration Committee on 25 October 2012 (para 617(3)) and it be agreed that the Corporate Directors progress the commissioning and procurement of services currently funded by the Regeneration Fund as detailed in paragraph 10.3 of the report; and
- (8) that the revised voluntary severance policy agreed by the Policy & Resources Committee on 15 November 2011 (para 767) be modified in the first instance to the extent that the discretionary added years provision of up to a maximum of six added years be extended until 30 September 2013.

734 Standards Commission for Scotland - Annual Report and Accounts 2011/12

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive appending the Annual Report and Accounts of the Standards Commission for Scotland 2011/12.

Decided: that the Council note the contents of the Annual Report and Accounts for 2011/12 of the Standards Commission for Scotland.

AUDIT COMMITTEE - 8 JANUARY 2013

Audit Committee

Tuesday 8 January 2013 at 3pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Brennan, Clocherty, Jones, Loughran, MacLeod, Nelson and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Rebecchi presided.

In attendance: Head of Legal & Democratic Services and Chief Internal Auditor.

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

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| 1 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 1 |
| | Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Campbell-Sturgess and Dorrian. | |
| 2 | Risk Management Progress Report | 2 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising Members of the progress made on risk management since the meeting of the Committee on 16 October 2012.
Noted | |
| 3 | External Audit Action Plans - Current Actions | 3 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the status of current actions from the External Audit Action Plans as at 31 October 2012.
Noted | |
| 4 | Internal Audit Progress Report - 24 September to 30 November 2012 | 4 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources appending the monitoring report in respect of Internal Audit activity for the period 24 September to 30 November 2012.
Noted | |

PLANNING BOARD - 9 JANUARY 2013

Planning Board

Wednesday 9 January 2013 at 3pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, McIlwee, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Head of Regeneration & Planning, Development & Building Standards Manager, Mr D Ashman (Regeneration & Planning Service), Mr M Higginbotham (Environmental & Commercial Services) and Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services).

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

5 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 5

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

6 PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED FOR CONTINUED CONSIDERATION 6

- (a) Planning permission in principle for new school development, access road, associated parking and infrastructure, community car park and pedestrian footbridge:
Milton Wood, South of Lochwinnoch Road, Kilmacolm (12/0150/IC)**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning regarding an application by Page/Park Architects for planning permission in principle for a new school development, access road, associated parking and infrastructure, community car park and pedestrian footbridge at Milton Wood, South of Lochwinnoch Road, Kilmacolm (12/0150/IC), consideration of which had been continued from the meeting of 7 November 2012 for a site visit and a visit to St Columba's School.

The report recommended that planning permission be granted subject to a number of conditions.

After discussion, Councillor Brooks moved that consideration of the application be continued for further discussion with the applicant on opportunities to mitigate the impact of the proposed development on Milton Wood.

As an amendment, Councillor Nelson moved that planning permission be refused for the following reasons:-

- (1) Major unplanned growth within the Green Belt. This proposed development is contrary to the Inverclyde Local Plan 2005, Policies DS8 – Green Belt, DS10 – Countryside and DS1 – Preference for Development on Brownfield Sites, the Glasgow and Clyde Valley Strategic Development Plan, Strategic Support Measure 8 and Scottish Planning Policy 2010 - Green Belts. Furthermore allowing development on this green belt area would set a precedence, weakening the case for retaining adjoining green belt in the future. This threat is highlighted in the application Transport Assessment which includes an aspiration to release further green belt to accommodate 50 residential units within the Duchal Estate. As the applicants currently own adjoining properties which are available for development and there are alternative brown field development sites available within Inverclyde, which adhere to Local Plan policy DS1, there is no justification for granting planning permission within the green belt;

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(2) Landscape Character and Amenity of Kilmacolm. The proposal for a modern, visually intrusive, three-storey building is not compatible with the character and amenity of the area. The development would adversely impact on the environmental resource and built heritage of Kilmacolm. Therefore the proposal is in direct contradiction of Local Plan 2005, Policy HR1 - Designated Environmental Resource and Scottish Planning Policy 2010 – Location and Design of New Development;

(3) Management of Trees. Felling trees within the heart of Milton Wood would open up and expose adjoining sections of the wood to potential storm damage. Development would not ensure protection of trees in contradiction with Local Plan Policy HR10 – Planting and Management of Trees and Woodlands and Scottish Planning Policy 2010 – Trees and Woodland;

(4) Listed Building and Historic Gardens. The proposed development of the grounds would have a detrimental effect on Historic Gardens of list 'A' Duchal House which sits within a designed landscape. Development of this sensitive green wedge in the designed landscape would detrimentally affect the landscape character in contradiction of Local Plan Policies - HR15 – The Setting of Listed Buildings, HR19 – Historic Gardens and Designed Landscapes and Scottish Planning Policy 2010 – Gardens and Designed Landscapes;

(5) Core Path. The access road proposed is currently an unsurfaced and unfenced road marked as such on map F of the Inverclyde Local Plan 2005. Over development of this road which facilitates a core path, would not be enhancing the natural environmental and built heritage of Kilmacolm in contradiction of Local Plan Policy LR1 – Open Space, LR6 - Inverclyde Access Strategy and Scottish Planning Policy 2010 – Open Space and Physical Activity;

(6) Natural Heritage Resource Designations. The proposed development would have a detrimental impact on the Duchal Estate Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC). This is contrary to Local Plan 2005, policy HR1 - Designated Environmental Resource and Scottish Planning Policy 2010 – Local Designations; and

(7) Transport and Road Safety. Within the Transport Assessment carried out there has been no attempt to calculate pedestrian numbers crossing Gryffe Road over a normal school day with a split campus. Although the Transport Assessment indicates that traffic calming measures would be put in place on Gryffe Road the application proposal of having the two sections of the school divided by Gryffe Road would still have major safety implications with children and staff continually crossing the road. This would be exacerbated by Gryffe Road continuing to be used as a school drop-off point by vehicles, including buses. Allowing a development to have a detrimental effect to road safety is contrary to Local Plan 2005, policy TA6 – Safeguarding the Public Transport Network and Scottish Planning Policy 2010 – Transport.

As a further amendment, Councillor Loughran moved that planning permission be refused for the following reasons:-

(1) as the proposed development is contrary to Local Plan Policy DS8 which presumes against development in the greenbelt unless there are exceptional or mitigating circumstances and where the criteria for development in Policy DS10 for the 'countryside' can be satisfied as the development would encroach into the greenbelt and there are no exceptional or mitigating circumstances which would justify such development;

(2) as the proposed development of part of Milton Wood, an area of open space, is contrary to Local Plan Policy LR1 - Safeguarding Open Space; and

(3) as there is no specific locational requirement to use part of Milton Wood for the proposed development as other alternative sites are available and as such the proposal is contrary to Local Plan Policy DS10 - Countryside.

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On a vote between the amendment by Councillor Nelson and the further amendment by Councillor Loughran, 2 Members voted for the amendment and 6 for the further amendment. Councillor Nelson's amendment then fell.

On a vote between Councillor Brooks's motion and Councillor Loughran's amendment, 4 Members voted for the motion and 7 for the amendment.

Decided: that planning permission be refused for the following reasons:-

- (1) as the proposed development is contrary to Local Plan Policy DS8 which presumes against development in the greenbelt unless there are exceptional or mitigating circumstances and where the criteria for development in Policy DS10 for the 'countryside' can be satisfied as the development would encroach into the greenbelt and there are no exceptional or mitigating circumstances which would justify such development;
- (2) as the proposed development of part of Milton Wood, an area of open space, is contrary to Local Plan Policy LR1 - Safeguarding Open Space; and
- (3) as there is no specific locational requirement to use part of Milton Wood for the proposed development as other alternative sites are available and as such the proposal is contrary to Local Plan Policy DS10 - Countryside.

**(b) Erection of 1 50Kw 34.378 metre high wind turbine:
Shielhill Farm, Dunrod Road, Inverkip (12/0286/IC)**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning regarding an application by Messrs McIntyre for the erection of 1 50Kw 34.378 metre high wind turbine at Shielhill Farm, Dunrod Road, Inverkip (12/0286/IC), consideration of which had been continued from the meeting of 5 December 2012 for a site visit.

Decided: that planning permission be refused as the combination of height and scale, proximity to Dunrod Road, the Greenock to Overton Cut (designated as a Core Footpath, to encourage the public into the countryside and as an Outstanding Area of Regional Industrial Archaeological Significance), Dunrod Hill and The Cut Visitor Centre combine to create an unexpected and dominant feature in this part of Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park contrary to:-

- a. Policy UT6 of the Inverclyde Local Plan, criteria (a) and (b);
- b. Interim Inverclyde Local Plan Policy UT6A, criterion (c);
- c. Interim Inverclyde Local Plan Policy UT6B, criterion (f); and
- d. Inverclyde Local Plan Policy HR1, criterion (b).

7 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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There were submitted reports by the Head of Regeneration & Planning on the following applications which were dealt with as follows:-

**(a) Rear extension to lower flat:
Habost, Duchal Road, Kilmacolm (12/0298/IC)**

Decided: that planning permission be granted subject to the condition that no development shall commence until a sample of the proposed wall finishes, the roofing slate and details of the doors and windows to be installed have been submitted to and agreed by the Planning Authority, to ensure that the finishing materials are in keeping with those on the house.

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- (b) **Formation of access doors to plant room at rear of building (amendment to planning permission 12/0068/IC):
Former Central Library Building, Clyde Square, Greenock (12/0328/IC)**

Decided: that planning permission be granted.

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Local Review Body

Wednesday 9 January 2013 at 4.35pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Dorrian, Loughran, McColgan, Nelson and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Mr R Gimby (Regeneration & Planning Services) and Mr J Kerr (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services).

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

8 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 8

No apologies for absence were intimated.

Councillors Dorrian, Nelson and Wilson declared an interest in Agenda Item 2(a) (Erection of two 33m high wind 50kw turbines with associated works at Kellybank Cottage, Kelly Road, Wemyss Bay (12/0085/IC)).

9 CONTINUED PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW 9

**(a) Erection of two 33m high wind 50kw turbines with associated works:
Kellybank Cottage, Kelly Road, Wemyss Bay (12/0085/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the erection of two 33m high wind 50kw turbines with associated works at Kellybank Cottage, Kelly Road, Wemyss Bay (12/0085/IC), consideration of which had been continued from the meeting held on 5 December 2012 for an accompanied site visit.

Councillor Dorrian declared a financial interest in this matter, the applicant being a business client, and Councillors Nelson and Wilson declared non-financial interests as Board Members of Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park and all 3 Members left the meeting. Provost Moran assumed the Chair for this item of business.

Provost Moran, Councillors Loughran and McColgan participated in consideration of this item of business.

Decided:

(1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and

(2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the appointed Officer's determination) as due to the cumulative impact with the existing nearby turbine the proposed turbines will have an adverse impact on the landscape character of the west Renfrew Hills Scenic Area. Furthermore, due to their position and height the proposed turbines will break the skyline and will thus be to the detriment of the visual amenity of adjacent and nearby residences and public vantage points within north Skelmorlie. The proposal is therefore unacceptable in terms of:-

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- a. the Council's interim policy on small wind turbine development UT6B, criteria (a) and (f);
 - b. the Council's interim policy on wind farms UT6A, criteria (c) and (d);
 - c. Policy UT6 of the Inverclyde Local Plan, criteria (a), (b) and (c);
 - d. Policy HR1;
 - e. Policy HR5,
- as set out in the Decision Notice dated 5 July 2012.

Councillors Dorrian, Nelson and Wilson returned to the meeting at this juncture and Councillor Wilson resumed the Chair.

**(b) Proposed mobile home garage:
Woodbourne, Wemyss Bay Road, Wemyss Bay (12/0131/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for a proposed mobile home garage at Woodbourne, Wemyss Bay Road, Wemyss Bay (12/0131/IC), consideration of which had been continued from the meeting of 5 December 2012 for an unaccompanied site visit.

Provost Moran, Councillors Loughran, McColgan, Nelson and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

Decided:

- (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the appointed Officer's determination) as the overall profiled metal sheet finish gives the garage an industrial character and appearance, with an adverse visual impact, unexpected within a domestic garden and, as such, fails to meet Local Plan Policy H1's aim of safeguarding residential character and amenity, as set out in the Decision Notice dated 6 June 2012.

10 PLANNING APPLICATION FOR REVIEW

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**Erection of two 24.6m wind turbines:
Land at Faulds Park, Gourock (12/0133/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the erection of two 24.6m wind turbines at land at Faulds Park, Gourock (12/0133/IC).

Provost Moran, Councillors Dorrian, Loughran, Nelson and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

Decided:

- (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the appointed Officer's determination) as a combination of height, scale and proximity to residential development at Levan Farm creates a dominant and excessively prominent feature in this part of Inverclyde, contrary to:-

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- a. the Council's interim policy on Small Wind Turbine Development UT6B, criteria (a) and (f);
- b. the Council's interim policy on Wind Farms UT6A criterion (c); and
- c. Policy UT6 of the Inverclyde Local Plan, criteria (a), (b) and (c), as set out in the Decision Notice dated 3 September 2012.

POLICY AND RESOURCES EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE - 10 JANUARY 2013

Policy and Resources Executive Sub-Committee

Thursday 10 January 2013 at 2pm

Present: Councillors Loughran (for Clocherty), MacLeod, McCabe, McIlwee and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor McCabe presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Legal & Democratic Services, Business/Democratic Services Manager and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

11 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 11

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Clocherty, with Councillor Loughran substituting, and Councillor Brooks.
Councillor Wilson declared an interest in Agenda Item 2 (Beacon Arts Centre).

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 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

12 Beacon Arts Centre 12

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval of proposed funding arrangements relative to the Greenock Arts Guild (Beacon Arts Centre) which were agreed subject to conditions, all as detailed in the appendix.

Councillor Wilson declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Member of the Board of Greenock Arts Guild. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision-making process.

Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership Sub-Committee

Thursday 10 January 2013 at 3 pm

Present: Councillors V Jones, J MacLeod, S McCabe, J McIlwee and L Rebecchi (Inverclyde Council); Dr M Kapasi, Non-Executive Director, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Health Board; Mrs N McFadden, Public Partnership Forum and Mr B Moore, Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership.

Chair: Councillor McIlwee presided.

In attendance: Head of Children & Families and Criminal Justice, Head of Planning, Health Improvement & Commissioning, Head of Mental Health, Addictions & Homelessness, Head of Health & Community Care, Service Manager (Mental Health & Wellbeing), Ms L Bairden (for Chief Financial Officer), Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Corporate Communications Manager and Project Manager - Your Voice Inverclyde Community Care Forum.

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

13 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 13

No apologies for absence were intimated.

Councillors MacLeod and McIlwee declared interests in Agenda Item 7 (Governance of External Organisations: CHCP Procedures and Governance Report).

14 Inverclyde CHCP Learning Disability Service Overview 14

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership providing an overview of existing supports and services provided by Inverclyde CHCP for people with a learning disability, either directly or commissioned from the third sector (voluntary or not for profit organisations) or the private sector.

The Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership made a presentation to the Sub-Committee on this item and answered a number of questions from Members.

Decided:

(1) that the Sub-Committee note the principles and values underpinning learning disability service provision and the potential impact of self directed support legislation and the personalisation agenda;

(2) that the Sub-Committee note the mapping of the current learning disability services provision across both Health and Social Care which provides a baseline for potential change to existing service provision and operational models;

(3) that it be noted that any future developments and changes to existing models for support will entail full consultation with service users, their carers, staff and existing providers; and

(4) that the Sub-Committee note a two year redesign from 2012 to 2014 of NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde's Tier 3 Community Learning Disability Teams in relation to the structuring of local teams and the provision of services by the NHS.

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15 Community Health & Care Partnership - Financial Report 2012/13 as at Period 7 to 31 October 2012 15

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership on the 2012/13 Revenue and Capital Budget position as at Period 7 to 31 October 2012.

Decided:

- (1) that the Sub-Committee note the current year Revenue Budget and projected overspend of £69,000 for 2012/13 as at 31 October 2012 and that the CHCP is continuing to work to bring this in line with the budget;
- (2) that the Sub-Committee note the current position on Prescribing;
- (3) that the Sub-Committee note that the Capital Budget for Social Work is projected as being on budget over the life of the projects and that the Capital Budget for Health is also projected to be on budget;
- (4) that the current Earmarked Reserves position be noted;
- (5) that the Social Work budget virements totalling £362,000 detailed in appendix 7 to the report be approved; and
- (6) that the Sub-Committee note the creation of a new Earmarked Reserve for Residential Childcare, Adoption and Fostering for 2013/14.

16 Community Health & Care Partnership - NHS Estate 16

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership advising the Sub-Committee of the current status of the NHS element of the CHCP Estate.

Decided:

- (1) that the report be noted; and
- (2) that a further update report be submitted to the Sub-Committee in summer 2013.

17 The Mental Health Strategy for Scotland: 2012-2015 17

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership on the Scottish Government's recently published Mental Health Strategy for Scotland: 2012-2015.

Decided:

- (1) that the Sub-Committee note the publication of the Scottish Government's Mental Health Strategy for Scotland: 2012-2015;
- (2) that the approach outlined in both the proposals and the briefing summary (appendix 1) for the development of the local implementation of the national strategy be endorsed;
- (3) that the proposals outlined in paragraph 5 and the linkages required for the local implementation be noted; and
- (4) that in view of the wider community planning implications the report be submitted to the Inverclyde Alliance Board and the SOA Outcome Delivery Groups.

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- 18 Review of the Implementation of the Inverclyde Carers and Young Carers Strategy 2012-15 18**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership providing an update on the implementation of the Inverclyde Carers and Young Carers Strategy 2012-15 launched in December 2011.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Sub-Committee note the progress made in the implementation of the Inverclyde Carers and Young Carers Strategy 2012-15 in its first year since sign-off; and
- (2) that the resource allocation to support for carers across the CHCP in 2012/13 be noted.
- 19 Governance of External Organisations: CHCP Procedures and Governance Report 19**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership (1) appending the quarterly governance report in respect of external organisations and (2) providing an update on progress in terms of the governance process.
- Councillor McIlwee declared a non-financial interest in this matter as a Director of both Evergreen Home Support and Inverclyde Association for Mental Health and Councillor MacLeod declared an interest as a Director of Parklea Branching Out. Both Members formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision making process.
- Decided:** that the CHCP governance report set out in appendix 1 to the report be noted.
- 20 Inverclyde Council Commissioned Services for Specialist Nursing Care, Older Persons Dementia and Adult Mental Health Intensive Supported Living Services 20**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership on the current position of the commissioning of specialist nursing care for older persons with dementia and adult mental health intensive supported living services in Inverclyde.
- The Sub-Committee was advised that at paragraph 7.1 of the report, the proposed spend in relation to residential care for adults should be £272,000, the resources committed to date should be £2,583,000 and the uncommitted resource should be £664,000.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Sub-Committee note the current position in respect of the commissioning of specialist nursing care for older persons with dementia and adult mental health intensive supported living services in Inverclyde and endorse the proposed way forward as set out in the report; and
- (2) that progress reports be submitted to each meeting of the Sub-Committee during the commissioning period on the progress of the NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde procurement process and the Inverclyde Council arrangements.

21 NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Clinical Services Fit for the Future**21**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership providing an update on the current NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Clinical Services review "Clinical Services Fit for the Future - Case for Change".

Decided:

- (1) that Members of the Sub-Committee consider the seven workstreams outlined and questions raised and submit their comments to the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership as required; and
- (2) that a report on progress with the engagement process be submitted to the meeting of the Sub-Committee on 25 April 2013.

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 16 JANUARY 2013

General Purposes BoardWednesday 16 January 2013 at 3.00 pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Grieve, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, McEleny, McIlwee and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Sergeant David Macdonald, Strathclyde Police.

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

22 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest**22**

There were no apologies, substitutions or declarations of interest intimated to the Board.

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

23 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: William Smiley**23**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Smiley [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Mr Smiley was present with his representative, Mr Gallagher, Aidan Gallagher & Co. Dr Sykes of Dr Blyth & Partners was also present.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board that the application had been continued from the previous meeting to allow Mr Smiley to be suitably represented and Dr Sykes be in attendance [REDACTED] A letter dated 5 December 2012 from Dr McCartney was submitted by Mr Smiley. Mr Jarvie sought clarification from Mr Smiley if it was his intention that this letter be considered at the meeting today. Mr Gallagher confirmed his client's wish that it be circulated to Board Members.

Mr Gallagher also wished to lodge a copy of a recent [REDACTED] report undertaken by Mr Smiley on 27 December 2012 [REDACTED] Dr Sykes had no objection to this being included. Both documents were therefore circulated to Board Members.

The Board heard Dr Sykes [REDACTED]

After reading the contents of the letter Mr Smiley gave permission that this information may be released to the Board. The letter was photocopied and circulated to the Board as required together with a copy of the DVLA guidelines.

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The Board heard Mr Gallagher in support of the applicant.

After discussion Councillor McIlwee moved grant of the application and following a vote 8 Members voted for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided:

(a) that the application be granted; and

(b) [REDACTED]

24 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Alexander Downie

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for grant of Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Downie following a Police representation.

Mr Downie was present.

The Board heard Sergeant Macdonald in support of the police representation and Mr Downie in support of his application. Mr Downie submitted documentation to the Licensing Section dated 13 January 2013 in support of his application. Mr Downie agreed that this information may be circulated to the Board.

Decided: that the application be granted.

25 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Brian Devine

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Devine following a Police representation.

Mr Devine was present.

The Board heard Sergeant Macdonald in support of the Police representation and Mr Devine in support of his application.

Decided: that the application be granted.

26 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Mark Easton

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Easton following a Police representation.

Mr Easton was not present or represented.

The Board heard Sergeant Macdonald in support of the police representation.

Decided: that the application be refused.

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- 27 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: John Blain 27**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Blain following a Police representation and medical examination.
- Mr Blain was present.
- The Board heard Sergeant Macdonald in support of the Police representation.
- Mr Jarvie advised the Board that a satisfactory medical report had been received and confirmed there are no medical issues to be considered.
- Decided:** that the application be granted.
- 28 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Stephen Houston 28**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Houston following a Police objection.
- Mr Houston was not present.
- The Board heard Sergeant Macdonald in support of the Police objection.
- Decided:** that the application be refused.
- 29 Application for Taxi Operator Licence: Vehicle Specially Adapted for the Disabled: John Ian Ellis 29**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for renewal of a Taxi Operator's Licence No. 228 by Mr Ellis.
- Mr Ellis was not present.
- Mr Jarvie advised that this item had been continued from the last meeting of the Board to allow Mr Ellis to be present. Mr Jarvie provided background information of the application and in particular that Mr Ellis had not brought the vehicle forward to be tested for the operation of this licence since 8 August 2011 or earlier and it is an essential condition of this type of licence that the vehicle has to be in operation or the Licensing Authority may request the licence holder to surrender the licence forthwith.
- Decided:** to order surrender of licence.

ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE - 17 JANUARY 2013

Environment & Regeneration Committee

Thursday 17 January 2013 at 3pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Ahlfeld, Clocherty, Dorrian, MacLeod, McCabe, McCormick, McEleny, McIlwee, Nelson and Shepherd.

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Finance Manager, Mr M Thomson (Finance Services), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Mr R Graham and Mr W Rennie (Environmental & Commercial Services), Head of Property Assets & Facilities Management, Property Assets Manager, Head of Regeneration & Planning, Mr F Macleod (Regeneration & Planning Service) and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

30 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 30

No apologies for absence were intimated.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:-

Agenda Item 7 (Community Facilities Grant) - Councillor MacLeod;

Agenda Item 22 (River Clyde Homes Ground Maintenance Tender (Tender Outcome)) - Councillors Ahlfeld, McCabe, McEleny and McIlwee; and

Agenda Item 19 (Lease of Premises - Inverkip Street, Greenock) - Councillor Dorrian.

31 Environment & Regeneration Revenue Budget 2012/13 - Period 7 31

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the position of the Revenue Budget 2012/13 as at Period 7 (31 October 2012) which showed a projected underspend of £365,000, excluding earmarked reserves.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £365,000 for 2012/13 as at 31 October 2012; and

(2) that approval be given to the virement detailed in Appendix 4 to the report.

32 Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme 2012/13 to 2014/15 - Progress 32

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources and the Chief Financial Officer on the position of the projects within the Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme.

Noted

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- 33 Environment, Regeneration & Resources Directorate Performance Report 33**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising the Committee of progress made by those services within the former Regeneration & Environment Directorate which reported to the former Regeneration Committee and the former Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee in achieving their key objectives as set out in the Regeneration & Environment Directorate Plan 2011-2012 and how they have contributed to the achievement of key corporate priorities.
- Decided:** that the Committee endorse the performance information contained in the report and note that further reports on performance will be presented to future meetings of the Committee.
- 34 Pre-determination Hearing Procedures 34**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for the procedures to be adopted by the Council in holding Pre-determination Hearings on planning applications, as required by the Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006 and associated regulations and circulars.
- Decided:** that agreement be given to the adoption of the proposed Pre-determination Hearing Procedures set out in the report.
- 35 Planning Enforcement Charter 35**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for the adoption of an updated Planning Enforcement Charter, as required by the Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006, a copy of which was appended to the report.
- Decided:** that approval be given to the adoption of the updated Planning Enforcement Charter.
- 36 Community Facilities Grant 36**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the progress of the administration and disbursement of the Community Facilities Fund of £1,200,000 incorporating the additional planned expenditure for Phase 2 awards.
- Councillor MacLeod declared a non-financial interest in this matter as a Director of Parklea Branching Out. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision making process.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee approve the Phase 2 awards outlined in appendix 1 to the report, with a total spend of £196,741, the funding for REACH for Autism being approved subject to the completion of a sustainable business plan to the satisfaction of the Chief Financial Officer; and
 - (2) that the Committee approve the three further projects assessed as eligible subject to the availability of additional funding as outlined in appendix 1 and that the Policy & Resources Committee be requested to approve the further funding of £52,491 required.

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- 37 Update on Inverclyde Tourism Action Plan 2009-2016 37**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the progress of the Inverclyde Tourism Action Plan 2009-2016.
Decided: that the Committee note the progress and ongoing development of the Tourism Action Plan.
- 38 Year of Natural Scotland 2013 38**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources apprising Members of plans to celebrate the Year of Natural Scotland 2013.
Decided: that the Committee note the planned activities to celebrate the year of Natural Scotland in 2013.
- 39 Housing Trends Monitoring Report and Annual Monitoring and Review of the Local Plan's Housing Strategy (2011-12) 39**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources informing the Committee of the annual review of the Local Plan's Housing Strategy using the findings of the first Inverclyde Housing Trends Monitoring Report.
Decided:
 (1) that the Committee endorse the findings and interpretation of this year's annual monitoring, in accordance with the requirements of Local Plan Policy H7; and
 (2) that it be noted there is sufficient capacity in the "Effective Land Supply" to meet demand and therefore there is no need to increase the land supply through greenfield release in advance of the forthcoming Local Development Plan.
- 40 Play Area Investment 40**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services (1) updating the Committee on the progress of the Council's play area investment programme in respect of works in progress and proposed and (2) seeking approval with regard to the next stage of the programme.
Decided:
 (1) that the Committee approve the balance of the 2012/2013 play area investment budget of £250,000 to be spent on the two undernoted projects:-
 (a) £175,000 for the replacement of the existing skate park in Battery Park with a new one to be constructed on the same site; and
 (b) £75,000 for the replacement of the old play area in Jacob's Drive, Gourock;
 (2) that a new play area due to be constructed in Gibshill in partnership with the Gibshill Residents' Association be adopted for maintenance by Inverclyde Council on its completion; and
 (3) that the Committee note the data associated with the gap in provision of play areas in certain neighbourhoods for the purposes of informing decisions on investment in new play areas in the future.

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- 41 LTS Action Plan Update 41**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the progress of the actions arising from the Local Transport Strategy 2011-2016 for Inverclyde.
Noted
- 42 Vehicle and Plant Equipment, Procurement Model - 3 Year Review 42**
- It was noted that this item had been withdrawn from the agenda.
- 43 Use of Powers Delegated to the Chief Executive - Battery Park Replacement 3G Pitch 43**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising of the use of the powers delegated to the Chief Executive for approval to accept the lowest acceptable tender for Battery Park Replacement 3G Pitch.
Noted
- 44 A Landfill Tax for Scotland - Scottish Government Consultation 44**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the Council's response to the Scottish Government's consultation on Landfill Tax, which required to be submitted by 15 January 2013.
Decided: that the Committee note the consultation response to the Scottish Government's consultation on Landfill Tax as appended to the report.
- The Convener being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration in terms of the relevant Standing Order to allow a meeting of the Working Group to be arranged at an early date. This was agreed unanimously.**
- 45 Central Gourock Redevelopment Working Group 45**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources requesting the Committee to appoint Members to the Central Gourock Redevelopment Working Group.
Decided: that the Leader of the Council, the Convener and Vice-Convener of the Environment & Regeneration Committee and the three Ward Councillors for Gourock be appointed to the Central Gourock Redevelopment Working Group.
- 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)	
Lease of Premises - Dubbs Road, Port Glasgow	2, 6 and 9	
Lease of Premises - Dubbs Road, Port Glasgow	2, 6 and 9	
Lease of Premises - Fore Street, Port Glasgow	2, 6 and 9	
Lease of Premises - Cathcart Street, Greenock	2, 6 and 9	
Lease of Premises - Inverkip Street, Greenock	2, 6 and 9	
Lease of Premises - Shore Street, Gourrock	2, 6 and 9	
Property Assets Management Report	2, 6 and 9	
River Clyde Homes Ground Maintenance Tender (Tender Outcome)	6 and 9	
SPT Agency Agreement for the Management of Bus Stops and Bus Shelters and the Provision of New Bus Shelters under the SPT Bus Shelter Upgrading Programme	6 and 9	
46 Lease of Premises - Dubbs Road, Port Glasgow		46
There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to grant a lease of premises in Dubbs Road, Port Glasgow and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.		
47 Lease of Premises - Dubbs Road, Port Glasgow		47
There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to grant a lease of premises in Dubbs Road, Port Glasgow and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.		
48 Lease of Premises - Fore Street, Port Glasgow		48
There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to grant a lease of premises in Fore Street, Port Glasgow and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.		
49 Lease of Premises - Cathcart Street, Greenock		49
There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to grant a lease of premises in Cathcart Street, Greenock and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.		

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- 50 Lease of Premises - Inverkip Street, Greenock 50**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to grant a lease of premises in Inverkip Street, Greenock. Councillor Dorrian declared a non-financial interest in this matter, the tenant being a business client. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision making process.
- Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.
- 51 Lease of Premises - Shore Street, Gourock 51**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to grant a lease of premises in Shore Street, Gourock and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.
- 52 Property Assets Management Report 52**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources together with addendum report on activities and proposals for the management of the Council's property assets. Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the action recommended in respect of (1) premises in Scarlow Street, Port Glasgow; (2) land at Wateryetts Drive, Kilmacollm; (3) land at Customhouse Quay, Greenock; (4) the Waterfront Cinema, Greenock; (5) Kempock House, Gourock; (6) the appointment of consultants to prepare a masterplan for the development of surplus sites; (7) land at lower Mary Street, Port Glasgow; (8) proposals to utilise the former Highlander's Academy for decant and to remove it from the list of surplus assets for disposal; (9) premises at Hunter Place, Greenock and (10) premises in Mearns Street and Nile Street, Greenock, all as detailed in the appendix.
- 53 River Clyde Homes Ground Maintenance Tender (Tender Outcome) 53**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the outcome of the tender process for River Clyde Homes grounds maintenance contract, making recommendations in this regard and seeking approval to take action.
- Councillors Ahlfeld, McCabe, McEleny and McIlwee declared a non-financial interest in this matter as members of the Board of River Clyde Homes. They also formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision making process.
- Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.

54 SPT Agency Agreements for the Management of Bus Stops and Bus Shelters and the Provision of New Bus Shelters under the SPT Bus Shelter Upgrading Programme

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) on proposals to extend the existing Bus Stop and Bus Shelter Agency Agreements between Inverclyde Council and Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) for a further period of one year and (2) seeking approval for the proposed locations for new shelters in the SPT bus shelter upgrading programme 2012/13, subject to further investigation by officers.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the proposed extension of the current Bus Stop Agency Agreement and Non-advertising Bus Shelter Agency Agreement with Strathclyde Partnership for Transport from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014;
- (2) that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to finalise the new Agency Agreements with SPT on behalf of the Council; and
- (3) that the Committee approve the provision of new shelters at the proposed locations detailed in the report, subject to further investigation by officers.

EDUCATION AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 22 JANUARY 2013

Education and Communities Committee

Tuesday 22 January 2013 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Brennan, Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, Jones, Loughran, McCabe, McColgan, McEleny, Shepherd and Wilson, Rev A MacLean, Rev F Donaldson and Father M McMahon, Church Representatives, Mr R Thomson, Parent Representative and Mr T Tracey, Teacher Representative.

Chair: Councillor Loughran presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy, Ms L Wilkie, Ms E Hamilton, Ms G Bond, Ms E Robertson and Mr D Smith (Education Services), Ms M Paterson (Community Learning & Development), Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Head of Property Assets & Facilities Management, Mr E Montgomery (Property Assets & Facilities Management), Ms A Edmiston (for Chief Financial Officer), Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

55 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

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An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Grieve.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:-

Agenda Item 3 (Clune Park Regeneration: Progress Report) - Councillor Wilson
 Agenda Item 4 (Support for Owners Fund Update) - Councillors McCabe and McEleny
 Agenda Item 5 (Strategic Local Programme (SLP) - Update) - Councillors McCabe and McEleny
 Agenda Item 11 (Letting Policy for Sport and Community Facilities) - Councillors McColgan, McEleny, Loughran and Wilson
 Agenda Item 20 (Former Riverside Resource Centre, Woodhall, Port Glasgow) - Councillors McCabe and McEleny

56 Communities 2012/13 Revenue Budget Period 8 and Capital Report 2012/16 - Progress

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on (1) the 2012/13 Revenue Budget position as at Period 8 to 30 November 2012 and (2) the status of the projects forming the Communities Capital Programme 2012/16 and the overall financial position.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £38,000 for the 2012/13 Revenue Budget as at 30 November 2012; and
- (2) that the Committee note the progress of the projects forming the Communities Capital Programme 2012/16.

57 Clune Park Regeneration: Progress Report

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities providing an update on the proposed regeneration of the Clune Park area of Port Glasgow. Councillor Wilson declared a non-financial interest in this matter as a Director of Link Housing Association. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision-making process.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current progress towards the regeneration of the Clune Park area of Port Glasgow; and
- (2) that further progress updates be submitted to future meetings of the Committee.

58 Support for Owners Fund Update

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities providing an update on the current position with regard to the Support for Owners Fund and information received from River Clyde Homes on its Scottish Housing Quality Standard (SHQS) Investment Programme.

Councillors McCabe and McEleny declared non-financial interests in this matter as members of the Board of River Clyde Homes. They also formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision-making process.

Decided:

- (1) that the current position of the 2012/13 Support for Owners Fund be noted;
- (2) that the projected budget for the 2013/14 Support for Owners Fund be noted; and
- (3) that the proposed prioritisation for delivery of the Support for Owners Fund in 2013/14 as set out in Section 6 of the report be approved.

59 Strategic Local Programme (SLP) - Update

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities advising the Committee of revisions to the Strategic Local Programme (SLP) following discussions with the Scottish Government Housing Supply Division and partner Registered Social Landlords.

Councillors McCabe and McEleny declared non-financial interests in this matter as members of the Board of River Clyde Homes. They also formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision-making process.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the revised Strategic Local Programme 2012-15 as submitted to the Scottish Government in November 2012 and detailed in the appendix to the report; and
- (2) that it be remitted to the Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities to finalise arrangements for the implementation of the Strategic Local Programme 2012-15 including negotiation of Strategic Agreements with the Scottish Government and partner Registered Social Landlords to take forward agreed projects at the earliest possible date.

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- 60 Housing Trend Monitoring Report 60**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities providing an overview of housing trends across the Inverclyde Council area and across all tenures over the period from April 2011 to March 2012.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the Executive Summary of the Housing Trend Monitoring Report 2011-2012 set out in the appendix to the report; and
 - (2) that it be noted that the Housing Trend Monitoring Report will be revised, updated and submitted to the Committee on an annual basis.
- 61 Community Learning & Development: Strategic Guidance for Community Planning Partnerships 61**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of the Council's proposals for taking forward the implementation of the Scottish Government's "Community Learning and Development: Strategic Guidance for Community Planning Partnerships".
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the contents of "Community Learning and Development: Strategic Guidance for Community Planning Partnerships"; and
 - (2) that delegated authority be granted to the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development to develop, in collaboration with community planning partners, proposals for the implementation of the Strategic Guidance in Inverclyde.
- 62 IYouthZone 62**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) on the success of the Community Learning & Development Youth Work Sub-Group application to the Big Lottery for "Our Place" funding for the IYouthZone project, (2) advising of the opening of the project and its formal launch on 13 December 2012 and (3) making proposals for the ongoing monitoring and reporting of the project.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the success of the application of the Community Learning & Development Youth Work Sub-Group for Big Lottery "Our Place" funding;
 - (2) that the Committee note the opening and formal launch of the IYouthZone project at 34 Nicolson Street, Greenock; and
 - (3) that approval be given to proposals for the monitoring and reporting of the project as detailed in the report.
- 63 Inverclyde Violence Against Women Multi-Agency Strategy 2012-2017 63**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities (1) appending the Inverclyde Violence Against Women Multi-Agency Strategy 2012-2017 and (2) seeking endorsement of the strategy.
- Decided:** that the Committee endorse the Inverclyde Violence Against Women Multi-Agency Strategy 2012-2017 as an outcome-focused strategy which sets out to address violence against women through multi-agency working in Inverclyde.

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64 Letting Policy for Sport and Community Facilities

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities proposing changes to the current letting arrangements for sports and community facilities to bring these into line with current practice in adjoining authorities and to address issues arising from current practice in Inverclyde.

Councillors McColgan, McEleny, Loughran and Wilson declared non-financial interests in this matter as members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure. They also formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision-making process.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve in principle the revision of the Council's letting policy to include registration as proposed; and
- (2) that it be agreed that a further report be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee detailing the consultation response and recommending final amendments to the letting policy.

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 two 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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65 New Community Facilities - Revenue Provision for Running Costs

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of the estimated running costs and additional capital costs for proposed new community facilities at Woodhall, Port Glasgow, Gibshill, Greenock, Broomhill (Wellington), Greenock and Inverkip.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee agree the outline proposals for the provision of new community facilities at Woodhall, Port Glasgow and Broomhill, Greenock and note the current position with regard to the facilities at Gibshill, Greenock and Inverkip as detailed in Section 4.1 of the report;
- (2) that the Committee agree, in principle, the additional capital and revenue funding requirements for the new community facilities and remit these to the Policy & Resources Committee for consideration as part of the 2013/16 budget setting process, specifically:
 - (a) £400,000 capital funding for the development of a new community facility and multi-use games area (MUGA) at Woodhall, Port Glasgow;

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(b) £350,000 capital funding in addition to the existing provision of £700,000 for the development of a new community facility at Broomhill, Greenock, the overall sum to include the cost of demolishing the Mearns Centre and compensating the Capital Fund for the loss of the capital receipt for the site; and

(c) £75,000 revenue funding to support the operational costs of the facilities at Woodhall, Port Glasgow, Gibshill, Greenock, Broomhill, Greenock and Inverkip.

66 Former Riverside Resource Centre, Woodhall, Port Glasgow

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of the current financial position relative to the proposed acquisition by River Clyde Homes of the former Riverside Resource Centre, Woodhall, Port Glasgow.

Councillors McCabe and McEleny declared non-financial interests in this matter as members of the Board of River Clyde Homes. They also formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision making-process.

Decided: that the position be noted.

The Committee commenced consideration of the Education items of business at 4.10 pm with Rev MacLean, Rev Donaldson, Father McMahon, Mr Thomson and Mr Tracey joining the meeting at this point.

67 Education 2012/13 Revenue Budget - Period 8

67

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the position of the 2012/13 Revenue Budget as at Period 8 to 30 November 2012.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £219,000 for 2012/13 as at 30 November 2012; and

(2) that the Committee approve the virement of £40,000 detailed in appendix 4 to the report.

68 Education Capital Programme 2012-16/17 - Progress

68

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the status of the projects forming the Education Capital Programme and (2) highlighting the overall financial position.

Decided:

(1) that the progress of the specific projects detailed in appendix 1 be noted;

(2) that approval be given to the revision of the Ardgowan Primary School refurbishment budget allocation and utilisation of the overall Capital Programme contingency/shared campus contingency to address the revised scope of works as outlined in Section 9.1 of the report;

(3) that approval be given to the issue of tenders for the works and delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to accept the lowest acceptable tender provided the cost is within the revised budget allocation for the project; and

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(4) that the Committee note the position with regard to the anticipated additional expenditure on the Whinhill Primary School (Refurbishment of former Overton Primary School) project as detailed in Section 10.1 of the report and approve expenditure within the cost limits of the available 2012/13 Capital Programme contingency with a further update report being provided when the final account has been agreed.

The Convener being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and the Chief Financial Officer was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration in terms of the relevant Standing Order to allow the Committee to be updated at the earliest opportunity relative to the response from the Scottish Government to the request for increased grant funding. This was agreed unanimously.

69 School Estate Management Plan (SEMP) - Review of Funding Model and Possible Opportunities - Update 69

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and the Chief Financial Officer on the response from the Scottish Government to the request for increased grant funding for the acceleration of capital investment to support economic recovery and the implications for the possible School Estate Management Plan (SEMP) opportunities outlined in the report to the Committee in October 2012.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the response from the Scottish Government as detailed in the appendix to the report; and
- (2) that it be agreed that the Council consider any acceleration of the primary school programme in the context of the overall budget process.

Councillor Clocherty left the meeting at this juncture.

70 Update on Progress with the Implementation of Curriculum for Excellence 70

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing information on the progress being made with the implementation of Curriculum for Excellence.

Decided: that the Committee note the ongoing progress being made with the implementation of Curriculum for Excellence in Inverclyde.

71 Physical Education Support Fund Update 71

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on Inverclyde's position in relation to the Scottish Government's target of a minimum of 2 hours/2 periods of quality physical education for each child every week and also Inverclyde's position in relation to the Scottish Government's new Physical Education Support Fund.

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

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Decided:

- (1) that the report be noted; and
- (2) that approval be given to the Inverclyde Physical Education Support Fund Implementation Plan appended to the report.

72 The Naming of the New Shared Campus in Port Glasgow 72

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development proposing a name for the new shared campus in Port Glasgow which is scheduled to open by October 2013.

Decided: that the name of the new shared campus be Port Glasgow Community Campus.

73 Increase in Nursery Provision Entitlement to 600 hours for Children aged 3 and 4 Years 73

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) providing details of the Scottish Government proposal to increase the entitlement to nursery provision from 475 hours to 600 hours and its preferred delivery model and (2) setting out the financial cost of the increase in entitlement.

Decided:

- (1) that the report be noted; and
- (2) that a further report be submitted to the Committee when the Children and Young People Bill and Financial Memorandum are published.

74 Securing Continuous Improvement 74

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of a refreshed and innovative approach to securing improvement across the Council's educational establishments. (Councillor Wilson left the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided: that the Committee note and support the new approach to securing improvement across educational establishments in Inverclyde as set out in the report and the relevant guidance.

75 Promoting Positive Behaviour and Positive Relationships 75

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the new policy produced by Education Services on promoting positive behaviour and relationships.

Decided: that the Committee note and support the policy on promoting positive relationships and behaviour and the relevant guidance.

The Convener being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration in terms of the relevant Standing Order to allow the Committee to be advised of the School Leaver Destination Results for 2011-12 at the earliest opportunity. This was agreed unanimously.

76 School Leaver Destination Results 2011-12**76**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing information relating to the annual release of School Leaver Destination Results which were made available to the Council on 16 January 2013.

Decided: that the Committee note the School Leaver Destination Results for 2011-12 as detailed in the report and appendices.

HUMAN RESOURCES APPEALS BOARD – 23 JANUARY 2013

Human Resources Appeals Board**Wednesday 23 January 2013 at 1pm**

Present: Councillors Brennan, Brooks, Jones, McIlwee and Shepherd.

Chair: Councillor Brooks presided.

In attendance: Mr J Hamilton (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services) and Mr A Wilson (for Head of Organisational Development, HR & Communications).

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

77 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 77

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

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 for 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.

78 Appeal Against Dismissal: Employee in Property Assets & Facilities Management 78

The Board, which had re-convened from its meeting of 26 September 2012, resumed consideration of an appeal against dismissal on behalf of an employee in Property Assets & Facilities Management and agreed that the grounds of the appeal had not been substantiated and that the appeal be not upheld, all as detailed in the appendix.

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 5 FEBRUARY 2013

Policy & Resources Committee

Tuesday 5 February 2013 at 3 pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Brooks, Clocherty, Loughran, Campbell-Sturgess (for MacLeod), McCabe, McCormick, McIlwee, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor McCabe presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership, Head of Legal & Democratic Services, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Organisational Development, HR & Communications, Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Business/Democratic Services Manager, Finance Manager, Revenue Accountancy Manager, CHCP Finance Manager, Corporate Policy & Partnership Manager and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

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| 79 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 79 |
| | An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor MacLeod, with Councillor Campbell-Sturgess substituting. | |
| | No declarations of interest were intimated. | |
| 80 | Policy & Resources Capital Programme - 2012/13 - 14/15 - Progress | 80 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources and the Chief Financial Officer (1) providing an update on the status of the projects forming the Policy & Resources Capital Programme 2012/13 - 14/15 and (2) highlighting the actual spend as at 30 November 2012. | |
| | Noted | |
| 81 | Capital Programme 2012/15 | 81 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the latest position of the 2012/15 Capital Programme.
(Councillor Rebecchi entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business). | |
| | Noted | |
| 82 | Policy & Resources Committee 2012/13 Revenue Budget - Period 8 | 82 |
| | There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and the Chief Financial Officer on the 2012/13 projected out-turn for the Policy & Resources Committee as at Period 8 (30 November 2012). | |
| | Decided: that the Committee note the projected underspend of £862,000 for the Policy & Resources Committee Revenue Budget as at Period 8. | |

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- 83 General Fund Revenue Budget 2012/13 - Period 8 83**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the position of the General Fund Revenue Budget as at period 8 (30 November 2012) and (2) providing an update in respect of earmarked reserves and workstream savings.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the latest position in respect of the 2012/13 Revenue Budget and the General Fund Reserve; and
 - (2) that the Committee note the good progress being made in the delivery of workstream savings.
- 84 Procurement - Update 84**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the progress being made with procurement since the last report to the Committee in September 2012.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note progress on the Strategic Procurement Framework;
 - (2) that the Committee note the progress made in savings delivery; and
 - (3) that approval be given to the proposal that suppliers based in Inverclyde be paid within a target of 20 days rather than the current Council target of 30 days.
- 85 Corporate Performance Report 85**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing corporate performance information collected in mid-December 2012.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Corporate Performance information contained in the report be endorsed; and
 - (2) that it be noted that further reports on corporate performance will be submitted to future meetings of the Committee and will relate to progress in the delivery of the new Corporate Directorate Improvement Plans and matched to the outcomes as set out in the Corporate Statement.
- 86 Review of Standing Orders relating to Contracts and Financial Regulations 86**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services requesting the Committee to (1) approve (a) revised Standing Orders relating to Contracts and (b) revised Financial Regulations and (2) recommend their formal adoption by the Council, consideration of which was continued from the meeting of the Committee on 13 November 2012 to allow consideration of the report by the Strategic Leadership Forum.
- Decided:**
- (1) that, subject to adjustment to limit acceptance of tenders to those tenders where the value or amount does not exceed £500,000, rather than £1m, with Elected Members continuing to be involved in tender opening at present thresholds, the Committee approve the revised Standing Orders relating to Contracts and the revised Financial Regulations as detailed in appendices 1 and 2 of the report to the 13 November 2012 meeting of the Committee;

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(2) that it be recommended to The Inverclyde Council that it formally resolve to adopt the aforesaid revised Standing Orders relating to Contracts and Financial Regulations; and

(3) that quarterly reports on tender acceptances be submitted to the Committee by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services.

87 2013/16 Budget Update

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer providing an update on the latest position of the 2013/16 Budget in advance of the Council considering the 2013/16 Revenue Budget, Capital Programme and Common Good Budget on 14 February 2013.

Decided: that the Committee note the updated information provided in the report and factor it into the budget considerations for the Council meeting to be held on 14 February 2013.

88 Consultation on the Budget

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the results of the consultation about the budget carried out with the Citizen's Panel, Community Councils and responses from an online questionnaire posted on the Council's website.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the content of the report;

(2) that the consultation feedback be used to inform the setting of the Council's 2013-16 budget; and

(3) that a report on developing the budget consultation process in future years be submitted to the Committee for consideration in due course.

89 Repopulation Outcome Delivery Group Update

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the progress made with regard to the Single Outcome Agreement Repopulation Outcome Delivery Group.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the progress of the Repopulation Outcome Delivery Group;

(2) that the Committee agree the development of a new action plan based on the actions outlined in the report which will be submitted to the Committee after the summer recess; and

(3) that it be remitted to The Inverclyde Council to consider the allocation of £1m from surplus reserves as part of the forthcoming budget process.

90 Data Protection Policy

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services seeking approval of a draft Data Protection Policy which revised and updated the current policy, a copy of which was appended to the report.

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Decided: that the Committee approve the Data Protection Policy.

91 Welfare Reform Update 91

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer updating the Committee on the Council's state of readiness in respect of the welfare reform changes which begin to take effect from 2013.

(Councillor Wilson left the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the current position in respect of the Council's state of readiness for the impact of the Government's welfare reform agenda; and

(2) that the Committee approve the proposals including procurement of systems and funding for the appointment of staff to ensure that the Scottish Welfare Fund is operational by 1 April 2013.

92 Remits from Committees 92

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources requesting the Committee to consider (1) a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 17 January 2013 relative to the Community Facilities Fund and (2) remits from the Education & Communities Committee of 22 January 2013 relative to (a) the School Estates Management Plan (SEMP) and (b) proposed new community facilities at Woodhall, Port Glasgow, Gibshill, Greenock, Broomhill (Wellington), Greenock and Inverkip.

Decided: that the Committee note the remits from the Environment & Regeneration Committee and the Education & Communities Committee and remit consideration of these items as part of the overall 2013/16 budget decisions to The Inverclyde Council on 14 February 2013.

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

93 Appendix 3 relative to Agenda Item 15 93

There was submitted appendix 3 relative to agenda item 15 (Remits from Committees) on the estimated running costs and additional capital costs for proposed new community facilities at Woodhall, Port Glasgow, Gibshill, Greenock, Broomhill (Wellington), Greenock and Inverkip.

Noted

94 Request for Approval to Enter into a Business Property Renovation Allowance Scheme 94

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer seeking approval to enter into a Business Property Renovation Allowance Scheme (BPRA) in respect of premises in Greenock and Port Glasgow and the Committee agreed to the recommendations contained in the report, all as detailed in the appendix.

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Planning Board

Wednesday 6 February 2013 at 3.00 pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, McIlwee, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Head of Regeneration & Planning, Development & Building Standards Manager, Mr M Higginbotham (Environmental & Commercial Services), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

95 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 95

No apologies for absence were intimated.

Councillor Wilson declared an interest in Agenda Item 2(c) (Change of use from retail unit to create Class 2 office accommodation at Former Peacocks Store, 19-29 Princes Street, Port Glasgow (12/0341/IC)).

96 PLANNING APPLICATIONS 96

There were submitted reports by the Head of Regeneration & Planning on the following applications which were dealt with as follows:-

(a) Change of use from café (Class 3) to children's nursery (Class 10): Pavilion, Battery Park, Eldon Street, Greenock (12/0344/IC)

The report recommended that planning permission be granted.

After discussion, Councillor McIlwee moved that consideration of the application be continued for a site visit to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair. As an amendment, Councillor Brooks moved that planning permission be granted.

On a vote, 3 Members voted for the amendment and 8 for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided: that consideration of the application be continued for a site visit to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services in consultation with the Chair.

(b) Construction of retail foodstore Class 1 with ancillary works including car parking, access and landscaping: Land off Patrick Street and Grey Place, Greenock (12/0330/IC)

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

- (1) that development shall not proceed until a Stopping Up Order has been confirmed for West Blackhall Street and Ker Street, to enable the required parking provision for the development to be secured in the interests of traffic safety;
- (2) that samples of all facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to their use. Development shall thereafter be carried out using the approved materials or such other alternatives as may be agreed in writing with the

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Planning Authority, to allow adequate assessment of these materials in the interests of visual amenity;

(3) that notwithstanding the planting details shown on the approved landscape drawing number 0007-AL(00)07 Rev A, alternate Tr1 and Tr2 trees shall be planted in place of the line of planting annotated P6, C3, S1 and R1 closest to the proposed foodstore on Patrick Street, to punctuate the Patrick Street elevation of the building in the interests of the streetscape;

(4) that prior to the commencement of development, full details of the management and maintenance arrangements for the approved planting scheme above shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure long term maintenance of the landscaping in the interests of streetscape;

(5) that any planting that in the subsequent 5 years dies, becomes diseased, is damaged or removed shall be replaced with similar specimens unless the Planning Authority gives written approval to any alternatives, to ensure retention of the approved landscaping scheme;

(6) that full details and/or samples of materials to be used in the hard landscaping of the site shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to their use. Development shall thereafter be carried out using the approved materials or such other alternatives as may be agreed in writing with the Planning Authority, to ensure the acceptability of these materials;

(7) that prior to the start of development, details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed shall be 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 treatment is completed as per the methodology and treatment statement. Any variation to the treatment methodologies will require subsequent approval by the Planning Authority prior to development starting on site, to help arrest the potential spread of Japanese Knotweed in the interests of environmental protection;

(8) that on completion of remediation and verification/validation works associated with the approved "Site Investigation Report" and prior to the site being occupied, the developer shall submit a Completion Report for approval, in writing, by the Planning Authority, confirming that the works have been carried out in accordance with the remediation strategy. This report shall demonstrate that no pollutant linkages remain or are likely to occur and include (but not be limited to) a collation of verification/validation certificates, analysis information, remediation lifespan, maintenance/aftercare information and details of imported/disposed/reused materials relevant to the site, to provide verification that remediation has been carried out to the Planning Authority's satisfaction;

(9) that the presence of any previously unrecorded contamination or variation to reported ground conditions that becomes evident during site works shall be brought to the attention of the Planning Authority within one week. Consequential amendments to the Remediation Strategy 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;

(10) that no material shall be imported onto the site until written details of the source of the imported material have been submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority. The details, which shall be submitted no later than four weeks prior to the material being imported onto the site, shall include the source of the imported material, any potential source(s) of contamination within 50 metres of the source of the material to be imported and verification analysis information. The material must not be imported on to the site until written approval has first been received from the Planning Authority. The material from the source agreed only shall be imported in strict accordance with these agreed details, to protect receptors from the harmful effects of imported contamination;

(11) that the applicant shall submit to the Planning Authority a detailed specification of the containers to be used to store waste materials and recyclable materials produced on

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the premises as well as specific details of the areas where such containers are to be located. The use of the development shall not commence until the above details are approved in writing by the Planning Authority and the equipment and any structural changes in place, to protect the amenity of the immediate area, prevent the creation of nuisance due to odours, insects, rodents or birds;

(12) that all external lighting on the application site should comply with the Scottish Government Guidance Note "Controlling Light Pollution and Reducing Lighting Energy Consumption", to protect the amenity of the immediate area, the creation of nuisance due to light pollution and to support the reduction of energy consumption;

(13) that deliveries shall not be carried out during store trading hours, in the interests of vehicular safety;

(14) that a drawing showing drainage arrangements shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development. For the avoidance of doubt, all surface water shall be contained within the site, in the interests of flooding prevention;

(15) that all surface water drainage from the site shall be treated in accordance with the principles of the Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Manual (C697) (CIRIA 2007). Before development commences, details shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority of the maintenance regime for the water detention areas, to control runoff from the site to reduce the risk of flooding; and

(16) that all road markings on Patrick Street, shown on the approved plans, shall be in place prior to the building hereby permitted being brought into use, to help ensure the safe movement of traffic in the vicinity of the site.

**(c) Change of use from retail unit to create Class 2 office accommodation:
Former Peacocks Store, 19 - 29 Princes Street, Port Glasgow (12/0341/IC)**

Councillor Wilson declared a non-financial interest in this matter as a Director of Riverside Inverclyde and left the meeting. Councillor Brooks assumed the Chair.

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

(1) that prior to their use, samples of the facing materials to be used on the external walls of the building shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and that these materials shall be used during construction unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Planning Authority, to ensure the appropriateness of these materials;

(2) that the adjacent footway in Willison's Lane along the frontage of the building shall be fully reinstated over the existing break, in the interests of pedestrian safety;

(3) that the applicant shall submit to the Planning Authority a detailed specification of the containers to be used to store waste materials and recyclable materials produced on the premises as well as specific details of the areas where such containers are to be located. The use of the development shall not commence until the above details are approved in writing by the Planning Authority and the equipment and any structural changes in place, to protect the amenity of the immediate area, prevent the creation of nuisance due to odours, insects, rodents or birds; and

(4) that all external lighting on the application site should comply with the Scottish Government Guidance Note "Controlling Light Pollution and Reducing Lighting Energy Consumption", to protect the amenity of the immediate area, the creation of nuisance due to light pollution and to support the reduction of energy consumption.

Councillor Wilson returned to the meeting following consideration of this item of business and resumed the Chair.

**(d) Extension to timescale for operation of farmers' market (Non-compliance with condition 1 of planning permission 11/0311/IC):
Land adjacent to the Community Centre, Lochwinnoch Road, Kilmacolm**

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Decided: that planning permission be granted subject to the condition that the market hereby approved shall operate only on the first Saturday of each month, to comply with Inverclyde Local Plan Policy R14.

97 ADVERTISEMENT APPLICATIONS

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There were submitted reports by the Head of Regeneration & Planning on the following applications which were dealt with as follows:-

**(a) Erection of two sign boards with PVC banners:
Lochans Drive, Inverkip (12/0026/CA)**

It was noted that this item had been withdrawn from the agenda.

**(b) Display of 24 signs on perimeter wall (in retrospect):
HM Prison, Old Inverkip Road, Greenock (12/0028/CA)**

Decided: that advertisement consent be granted.

98 PLANNING APPEAL

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning advising that following the decision of the Board at the meeting on 1 August 2012 to refuse planning permission for the partial demolition and conversion of the former car showroom to form a retail unit at 21 Eldon Street, Greenock (12/0083/IC) and the subsequent appeal by the applicant to the Scottish Government against that refusal, the Reporter appointed by the Scottish Government had issued his decision which was to grant planning permission subject to conditions requiring detailed approval of external building materials, landscaping works and parking surfaces and space markings by the Council.

Noted

99 ADVERTISEMENT CONSENT APPEAL

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning advising that following the decision of the Board at the meeting held on 5 September 2012 to refuse advertisement consent for the installation of an internally illuminated high level sign above the customer entrance, the erection of 4 lockable poster units advertising beside the entrance, the installation of 2 sets of digitally printed glazing vinyl on the shopfront window areas on either side of the entrance and the erection of a small non-illuminated sign on the rear facing elevation adjacent to the goods area at Unit 2, 13 Customhouse Way, Waterfront Retail Park, Greenock (12/0013/CA) and the subsequent appeal by the applicant to the Scottish Government against that refusal, the Reporter appointed by the Scottish Government had issued his decision which was to grant advertisement consent.

Noted

THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL - 14 FEBRUARY 2013

The Inverclyde Council

Thursday 14 February 2013 at 4 pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, Dorrian, Grieve, Jones, Loughran, MacLeod, McCabe, McColgan, McCormick, McEleny, McIlwee, Nelson, Rebecchi, Shepherd and Wilson.

Chair: Provost Moran presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership, Head of Legal & Democratic Services, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Organisational Development, HR & Communications, Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Business/Democratic Services Manager, Finance Manager, Revenue Accountancy Manager, CHCP Finance Manager, Legal Services Manager (Procurement & Conveyancing) and Corporate Communications Manager.

100 Apologies and Declarations of Interest 100

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

101 Revenue Budget 2013/16, Capital Programme 2013/16 and Common Good Budget 2013/16 101

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer providing information to enable the Council to set a balanced 2013/16 Revenue Budget, 2013/16 Capital Programme and 2013/16 Common Good Budget.

After discussion, Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved:-

- (1) that the Council approve the specific proposals in respect of the Commissioning Workstream detailed in appendix 5 to the report;
- (2) that the Council agree the 2013/16 Capital Programme on the basis that the shortfall in resources does not exceed 1.5% of available resources over the three year period;
- (3) that the Council note the Risk Register contained in appendix 8 to the report and that the Equalities Impact Assessment will be completed by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development following confirmation of all budget decisions;
- (4) that the Council grant delegated powers to the Chief Executive to release individuals who meet the value for money criteria and form part of the approved budget savings until 30 September 2013 on the basis that an update report will be submitted to the Policy & Resources Committee detailing releases and costs approved under this delegated authority;
- (5) that the Council note that a report on the further potential extension of the deadline for offering six added years in order to achieve certain budget savings will be submitted to the March Policy & Resources Committee;

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- (6) that the 2013/16 General Fund Revenue Budget and 2013/16 Capital Programme be agreed in terms of the Administration's submission (appendix 1 to the minute);
- (7) that a review of classroom support be undertaken with any savings identified being reinvested;
- (8) that the Council agree the 2013/16 Common Good Budget contained in appendix 7 to the report and in addition allocate the unused Common Good events contingency towards improving Christmas decorations and Christmas Light Switch Ons as well as future events;
- (9) that approval be given to the proposed £1m investment funded via the Capital Fund to assist in accelerating St John's and Kilmacolm Primary School refurbishments; and
- (10) that there be no increase in the Council Tax for financial year 2013/14 and that accordingly the 'Band D' Council Tax be set at £1,198.

As an amendment, Councillor Brooks seconded by Councillor MacLeod moved:-

- (1) that the Council approve the specific proposals in respect of the Commissioning Workstream detailed in appendix 5 to the report;
- (2) that the Council agree the 2013/16 Capital Programme on the basis that the shortfall in resources does not exceed 1.5% of available resources over the three year period;
- (3) that the 2013/16 General Fund Revenue Budget and 2013/16 Capital Programme be agreed in terms of the SNP Group's submission (appendix 2 to the minute);
- (4) that the Council agree the 2013/16 Common Good Budget as contained in appendix 7 to the report;
- (5) that the Council note the Risk Register contained in appendix 8 to the report and that the Equalities Impact Assessment will be completed by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development following confirmation of all budget decisions;
- (6) that the Council grant delegated powers to the Chief Executive to release individuals who meet the value for money criteria and form part of the approved budget savings until 30 September 2013 on the basis that an update report will be submitted to the Policy & Resources Committee detailing releases and costs approved under this delegated authority; and
- (7) that the Council note that a report on the further potential extension of the deadline for offering six added years in order to achieve certain budget savings will be submitted to the March Policy & Resources Committee.

On a vote 6 Members voted for the amendment and 12 for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that the Council approve the specific proposals in respect of the Commissioning Workstream detailed in appendix 5 to the report;
- (2) that the Council agree the 2013/16 Capital Programme on the basis that the shortfall in resources does not exceed 1.5% of available resources over the three year period;
- (3) that the Council note the Risk Register contained in appendix 8 to the report and that the Equalities Impact Assessment will be completed by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development following confirmation of all budget decisions;

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- (4) that the Council grant delegated powers to the Chief Executive to release individuals who meet the value for money criteria and form part of the approved budget savings until 30 September 2013 on the basis that an update report will be submitted to the Policy & Resources Committee detailing releases and costs approved under this delegated authority;
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- (10) that there be no increase in the Council Tax for financial year 2013/14 and that accordingly the 'Band D' Council Tax be set at £1,198.

102 Resolution: Council Tax 2013/14

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Arising from the foregoing paragraph, Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no increase in the Council Tax for financial year 2013/14 and, accordingly, resolved to set the 'Band D' Council Tax at £1,198.

Decided: that the 'Band D' Council Tax for 2013/14 be set at £1,198.

Administration Budget Proposals
2013/16

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APPENDIX 1**Administration Budget**

	<u>£million</u>
2015/16 Target (Per 14/2/13) Report)	4.398
Add: Community Facilities Running Costs	0.075
: RAMP Prudential Borrowing	0.300
	<u>4.773</u>
Savings Required by 2015/16	<u>4.773</u>
Savings Proposed	
ERR	(1.271)
CHCP	(2.117)
ECOD	(1.385)
Balance	<u>(4.773)</u>

Available Free Reserves Position

	<u>£million</u>
Available Reserves (Council Report 14/2/13)	7.200
Add = Savings 2013/14	0.436
Savings 2014/15 less £278k deficit	1.805
Extra Capital Grant 2012/14	0.146
Increase Capital Programme to 1.5% limit	0.355
	<u>9.942</u>

<u>Note 1</u>	<u>13/14</u>	<u>14/15</u>
	<u>£000</u>	<u>£000</u>
ERR	128	457
CHCP	150	899
ECOD	158	727
	<u>436</u>	<u>2083</u>

Increased Investment Proposals

<u>Area of Investment</u>	<u>Total £million</u>	<u>Reserves £m</u>	<u>Prudential Borrowing £m</u>	<u>Capital Fund £m</u>
1/ Roads Asset Management Plan (2013/16) - Note 1	10.1	5.9	4.2	-
2/ Primary School Investment Acceleration	1.0	-	-	1.0
3/ Repopulating/Promoting Inverclyde	1.0	1.0	-	-
4/ Community Facilities - Capital Investment	0.75	0.75	-	-
5/ Community Grants	0.052	0.052	-	-
6/ Play Areas/MUGA's	0.30	0.30	-	-
7/ Blaes Football Park Replacement	0.83	0.83	-	-
8/ Employment Support	0.33	0.33	-	-
9/ Broomhill Area	0.25	0.25	-	-
10/ PG Town Centre	0.25	0.25	-	-
11/ Creative Scotland - Match Funding	0.25	0.25	-	-
12/ Greenock Town Centre - Extra Police	0.08	0.08	-	-
Totals	15.192	9.992	4.2	1.0

Note 1 -

- a) Included in the Reserves investment is £50,000 generated in 2015/16 due to the full £300,000 set aside for Prudential Borrowing not being required.
- b) Overall RAMP Investment proposed over 2013/18 is £29 million which includes £9.4 million investment funded via Prudential Borrowing in 2016/18 possibly funded from a 2% increase in Council Tax over 2016/18.
- c) Investment of the £29 million would be, based on the RAMP:

	<u>£million</u>
Carriage Ways	18.3
Footways	4.1
Street Lighting	4.3
Structures	2.3
	<u>29.0</u>

Administration Proposals
General Fund Capital Programme - 2013/16

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000
<u>Policy & Resources</u>				
Completion of Existing Programme	307	-	-	307
Annual Allocation (ICT)	567	567	567	1,701
Upgrade to Data Centre	190	-	-	190
Modernisation Fund	144	350	-	494
SV Comet	69	-	-	69
Policy & Resources Total	1,277	917	567	2,761
<u>Environment & Regeneration</u>				
Completion of Existing Programme (Property Services)	436	100	-	536
Annual Allocation (Property Services)	1,000	1,000	1,000	3,000
Central Gourock Development	774	3,500	-	4,274
Regeneration of Port Glasgow Town Centre	290	200	-	490
Leisure & Pitches Strategy	1,738	1,093	-	2,831
Inverkip Community Facility	225	950	-	1,175
Greenock Town Centre	7	-	-	7
Port Glasgow Town Centre Refresh of Town Hall	170	20	-	190
Asset Management Plan - Offices	4,695	6,580	570	11,845
Asset Management Plan - Depots	1,900	8,279	1,183	11,362
Completion of Existing Programme (Roads)	249	125	-	374
Annual Allocation (Roads)	1,455	1,405	1,400	4,260
Flooding Works	42	1,250	-	1,292
Additional Fund For Road Improvements	1,627	-	-	1,627
Greenock Parking Strategy	104	250	-	354
Vehicle Replacement Programme	363	1,198	2,970	4,531
Play Areas	295	-	-	295
Annual Allocation (Zero Waste Fund)	80	80	80	240
Completion of Existing Programme (Environmental & Planning)	50	-	-	50
Environment & Regeneration Total	15,500	26,030	7,203	48,733
<u>Education & Communities</u>				
Scheme of Assistance/Aids & Adaptations	765	1,301	1,383	3,449
Contribution to Watt Complex Refurbishment	150	3,750	-	3,900
School Estate Management Plan	22,182	11,579	3,705	37,466
Proposed Accelerated SEMP Expenditure	56	1,439	2,522	4,017
Education & Communities Total	23,153	18,069	7,610	48,832
<u>CHCP</u>				
SWIFT Finance Module	35	-	-	35
Kylemore Childrens Home	100	-	-	100
CHCP Total	135	-	-	135
<u>14/2/13 Budget Proposals</u>				
Extra RAMP Funding	1,100	4,500	4,500	10,100
Community Facilities Investment	-	750	-	750
Blaes Football Parks	-	830	-	830
Play Areas/MUGA's	-	300	-	300
Regeneration of Port Glasgow Town Centre	-	250	-	250
Broomhill Regeneration	-	250	-	250
	1,100	6,880	4,500	12,480
Total Expenditure	41,165	51,896	19,880	112,941

Administration Proposals
General Fund Capital Programme - 2013/16

Notes

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Note 1				
<u>Further Breakdown of SEMP Expenditure</u>				
Sacred Heart Decant School Upgrade	355	116	-	471
Gourock HS - Refurb for St Columba's	5,156	1,252	-	6,408
ASN School - New Build	3,734	151	-	3,885
Demolish St Stephens HS	150	408	-	558
Primary School Accelerated Programme	546	415	-	961
Ardgowan PS Refurbishment	953	3,218	119	4,290
St Patricks PS Refurbishment	-	215	2,417	2,632
Balance of Lifecycle Fund	296	487	601	1,384
Balance of Contingency	100	1,700	100	1,900
Port Glasgow Joint Campus Secondary School	9,926	3,481	-	13,407
Future Projects	-	19	377	396
Other Projects < £250k	966	117	91	1,174
	22,182	11,579	3,705	37,466
<u>Proposed Accelerated SEMP Expenditure</u>				
Accelerate St Johns Primary	56	1,307	791	2,154
Accelerate Kilmacolm Primary	-	132	1,731	1,863
	56	1,439	2,522	4,017

Administration Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Education, Communities & Organisational Development

Total: £1,385,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduct'n	
ECOD04	Cultural	Libraries restructure - public/school.	0	0	36,000	0.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0	100%	
ECOD05	Cultural	Book Fund	0	20,000	20,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£82,000	£62,000	24.39%	
ECOD06	Education	Call Scotland contract.	10,000	10,000	10,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£10,000	£0	100.00%	
ECOD08	Cultural	Beacon Centre- Reduce Contribution	0	0	25,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£75,000	£50,000	33.33%	
ECOD09	Education	Cluster Posts: 1. Reduction in number of School Support Assist Posts. 2. Reduction in Number of Cluster Clerical Assist Posts.	0	0	70,000	0.0	0.0	4.0	8 FTE	4FTE	50.00%	
ECOD10	Education	Secondary Posts: Reduction in clerical staffing formula in secondary schools.	0	22,000	32,000	0.0	1.2	1.8	1014 Hours Per Week Term Time	940 Hours Per Week Term Time	7.30%	
ECOD11	Education	Removal of 1 HQ post - Amalgamation of Arts & Music Development Posts.	0	42,000	42,000	0.0	1.0	1.0	2 FTE	1 FTE	50.00%	
ECOD12	Education	Remove 1 of the 5 additional teachers currently allocated to Newark and King's Oak primary schools.	0	25,000	40,000	0.0	1.0	1.0	£13,963,000	£13,923,000	0.29%	

Administration Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Education, Communities & Organisational Development

Total: £1,385,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduction	
ECOD15	Education	Reduce Supported Study Budget	24,000	24,000	24,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£84,000	£60,000	28.57%	1
ECOD16	Education	Reduce Early Years Teachers and replace with Early Years Child Care Officers.	0	135,000	217,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£894,000	£677,000	24.27%	2
ECOD17	Education	Remove Modern Language Assistants.	27,000	33,000	33,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£33,000	£0	100.00%	
ECOD18	Education	Reduce of Determined to Succeed Programme	0	0	35,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£70,000	£35,000	50.00%	
ECOD20	Education	Review early years service to reduce 52 week arrangement to term time.	0	0	125,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£1,294,000	£1,167,000	9.66%	
ECOD23	OD, HR & Comms	Administrative Support (OD, HR & Comms)	0	0	8,000	0.0	0.0	0.5	5 FTE	4.5 FTE	10.00%	
ECOD24	OD, HR & Comms	Reduce Health & Safety Advisors.	0	42,000	42,000	0.0	1.0	1.0	4 FTE	3 FTE	25.00%	
ECOD25	Safer & Inclusive	Reduce Grants to Vol Orgs	0	50,000	100,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£387,000	£287,000	25.84%	
ECOD27	Safer & Inclusive	Reduce Outdoor Education budget by 50%	0	15,000	30,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£60,000	£30,000	50.00%	3

APPENDIX 4

Administration Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Education, Communities & Organisational Development

Total : £1,385,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% redurt'h	
ECOD28	Safer & Inclusive	Delete Enterprise Centre Admin Post	0	0	12,000	0.0	0.0	0.6	2.6FTE	2.0FTE	23.00%	
ECOD29	Safer & Inclusive	Delete Council Recruit post	0	7,000	12,000	0.0	0.0	1.0	1 FTE	0 FTE	100.00%	
ECOD31	Safer & Inclusive	Reduction in CLD Assistant (Grade E) part time hours.	0	3,000	3,000	0.0	0.2	0.2	£810,000	£807,000	0.37%	
ECOD32	Safer & Inclusive	Delete ASB Intervention Officer Post	0	0	33,000	0.0	0.0	1.0	5 FTE	4 FTE	20.00%	
ECOD33	Safer & Inclusive	Restructure removing 2 x Team Leader Posts Safer Communities	0	0	97,000	0.0	0.0	2.0	6 FTE	4 FTE	33.30%	
ECOD35	Safer & Inclusive	Reduction in Inverclyde Leisure Management Fee	80,000	130,000	130,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£1,699,000	£1,569,000	7.65%	
ECOD36	Safer & Inclusive	Reduction in Inverclyde Leisure Management Fee - Closure of Ravenscraig Sports Centre	0	62,000	62,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£1,699,000	£1,637,000	3.64%	
ECOD38	Safer & Inclusive	Reduce Health Development CLD hours	0	0	5,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£745,000	£740,000	0.67%	

Administration Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Education, Communities & Organisational Development

Total: £1,385,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduct'n	
ECOD39	Safer & Inclusive	Small Repairs Service - Review and Rationalise Service across Inverclyde	0	0	30,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£99,000	£69,000	30.30%	4
ECOD40	Safer & Inclusive	Remove 1 CLD Trailer	17,000	17,000	17,000	0.5	0.5	0.5	1 FTE	0.5 FTE	50.00%	
ECOD42	Safer & Inclusive	Absorb proposed parking wardens into existing Enforcement Warden Service.	0	53,000	53,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.00%	
CEO01	Chief Executive	Administration Restructure	0	9,000	9,000	0	0.2	0.2	4.0 FTE	3.8 FTE	5.00%	
Education & Communities Total			158,000	727,000	1,385,000	0.5	7.1	17.4				

Notes:

- 1 Corporate Director to implement improved targeting of the Supported Study budget to ensure right pupils continue to receive the appropriate support.
- 2 There will be no net reduction in employees in Early Years. Service will continue to be supported by Teachers.
- 3 Corporate Director to bring proposals to Committee outlining how the remaining budget can be targeted to ensure all Primary School pupils have the opportunity to access an Outdoor Education experience.
- 4 Existing Small Repairs Service provision to be reviewed. Thereafter a commissioning/procurement exercise to be undertaken to ensure a service continues to be provided within available resources.

Administration Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Social Care

Total £2,117,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reductions			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduction	
CHCP 01	Directorate Wide	Charging for Services - Blue Badges @ £20 p.a. (assumes 1500 per annum increased from £2.00 to £20.00) Charging for Services - Meals on Wheels at £2.00 per meal (currently 150 users at 3 to 4 meals per week, allows for 25% attrition) Charging for Services - Daycare Charges to Other Local Authorities (20% increase 2014/15 rising to 30% 2015/16)		13,000	27,000				£3,000	£27,000	800% increase in income	
CHCP 02	Homecare	Shifting the Balance of Homecare Provision including move to a framework agreement. Reduction in FTE to be managed through natural turnover.		112,000	225,000		18.00	36.00	£8.7m current cost	£8.47m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.225m is a 2.6% cost reduction	
CHCP 03	Learning Disability	Learning Disability Redesign - Service Review.		70,000	70,000		TBC	TBC	£5,821,000	£5,751,000	Budget reduction of 1.2%	1
CHCP 04	Learning Disability	Learning Disability Resource Centres (Phase 1 review current management structure and Phase 2 Future Service Provision)		50,000	100,000		1.00	2.00	£5.8m current budget	£5.7m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.1m is a 1.7% cost reduction	
CHCP 05	Planning & Performance	Planning & Performance		41,000	82,000		1.00	2.00	19.00 FTE	17.00 FTE	Reduction of 2.00 FTE	
CHCP 06	Alcohol & Addictions	Alcohol & Addictions	60,000	60,000	60,000				£0.89m current budget	£0.83m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.06m is a 6.7% cost reduction	
CHCP 07	Directorate Wide	Review and Rationalisation of Offices - support staff and running costs		100,000	200,000		3.00	6.00	79.30 FTE	73.30 FTE	Reduction of 6.00 FTE	
CHCP 08	Mental Health	Mental Health		34,000	69,000		2.00	2.00	34.10 FTE	32.10 FTE	Reduction of 2.00 FTE	

Administration Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Social Care

Total £2,117,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reductions			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduction	
CHCP 09	Children & Families	Children & Families	30,000	30,000	60,000		2.00	2.00	130.00 FTE	128.00 FTE	Reduction of 2.00 FTE	
CHCP 10	Older Peoples Services	Older Peoples Generic Services		35,000	75,000		1.00	1.00	£2.2m current budget	£2.125m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.075m is a 3.4% cost reduction	
CHCP 11	Directorate Wide	Commissioned Services		100,000	200,000				£3.8m current budget	£3.6m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.2m is a 5.3% cost reduction	
CHCP 12	Directorate Wide	Creation of Charging Order Income Budget	60,000	60,000	60,000				0	£35,000	new income budget	2
CHCP 13	Homeless	Homelessness Service		40,000	40,000				£0.7m current budget	£0.66m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.04m is a 5.7% cost reduction/increased income	
CHCP 14	Older Peoples Services	Reablement	0	0	600,000				£8.1m restated available budget	£7.5m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.6m is a 7.4% cost reduction and equates to 16.9 FTE posts	

Administration Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Social Care

Total £2,117,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reductions			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduction	
CHCP 15	Directorate Wide	Former FSF projects - review as part of mainstreaming to core budget. To be further reviewed once mainstream transfer confirmed.		60,000	60,000				£0.8m current budget	£0.74m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.06m is a 7.5% cost reduction	
CHCP 16	Physical & Sensory	Physical & Sensory Service Redesign including Centre for Independent Living and purchased services		50,000	100,000	1.00	1.00		£2.3m current budget	£2.2m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.1m is a 4% cost reduction	
		SOCIAL CARE TOTAL	150,000	899,000	2,117,000	0.00	29.00	68.90				

Notes:

- 1 Corporate Director to undertake a Service Review covering the Learning Disability Service in consultation with Service Users and Trades Unions and report back with proposals to deliver £70,000 savings by 2014/15.
- 2 Saving increased following discussions with CMT.

Administration Proposals - 2013/15 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Environmental, Regeneration & Resources

Total £1,271,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduct'n	
ERR01	Finance	Exchequer Restructure	8,000	32,000	32,000	1.0	1.0	1.0	2	1	50%	
ERR02	Finance	Finance Officer Team Review			38,000			1.0	11	10	9%	
ERR03	Finance	Delete vacancies - SW transactional team & Creditors	27,000	27,000	27,000	1.5	1.5	1.5	7.9	6.4	19%	
ERR04	ICT	Inverclyde Leisure ICT SLA		5,000	10,000				£59,000 Income	£69,000 Income	17% Increase	
ERR05	ICT	Service Desk Technician Support			27,000			1.0	9	8	11%	
ERR06	ICT	Capital Reductions- PC & Whiteboard Refresh		11,500	23,000						N/A	
ERR07	ICT	Technical Analyst Post			27,000			1.0	15	14	7%	
ERR08	Legal	Administration Support			47,000			2.0	5.5	3.5	36%	
ERR09	Legal	Legal staff reduction Principal Solicitor			54,000			1.0	3.58	2.58	28%	
ERR10	Legal	Member Services Support			20,000			1.0	3	2	33%	
ERR11	Legal	Civic hospitality	4,000	4,000	4,000				£9,000	£5,000	44%	

Administration Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Environmental, Regeneration & Resources

Total £1,271,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduction	
ERR12	Legal	Members training	2,000	2,000	2,000				£8,000	£6,000	25%	
ERR13	Regen & Planning	Administration Support	19,000	19,000	19,000	1.0	1.0	1.0	3	2	33%	
ERR14	Regen & Planning	Service Manager			61,000			1.0	3	2	33%	
ERR15	Regen & Planning	Systems Support			25,000			1.0	2	1	50%	
ERR16	Regen & Planning	Green Charter Coordinator			45,000			1.0	2	1	50%	
ERR17	Regen & Planning	Riverside Inverclyde Allocation			100,000				£1,500,000	£1,400,000	7%	1
ERR18	Regen & Planning	Regeneration Fund			60,000				£1,950,000	£1,890,000	3%	
ERR19	PAFM	Central Repairs Account		50,000	100,000				£1,787,000	£1,687,000	6%	1
ERR20	PAFM	Review of the Cleaning Specification		84,000	84,000		6.0	6.0	£1,686,000	£1,602,000	5%	
ERR21	PAFM	Reduction in Cleaners Additional Hours	14,000	14,000	14,000				£136,280	£122,280	10%	
ERR22	PAFM	Reduction in 3 Catering Supervisors	20,000	50,000	50,000	1.0	2.5	2.6	26	23.4	10%	

Administration Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Environmental, Regeneration & Resources

Total £1,271,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduction	
ERR23	Environment & Commercial	Reduction in one mechanical Sweeper		20,000	20,000				5	4	20%	
ERR24	Environment & Commercial	Charge commercial waste uplift to Charities at 50%		15,000	30,000				£732,000	£762,000	4% Increase in Income	
ERR25	Environment & Commercial	Depute Registrar post			26,000			1.0	4.5	3.5	22%	
ERR26	Environment & Commercial	Delete Admin post			21,000			1.0	12.4	11.4	8%	
ERR27	Environment & Commercial	Reduction of fitter operating time	16,000	16,000	16,000			1.0	7	6	14%	
ERR28	Environment & Commercial	Reduction in bus shelter maintenance		10,000	10,000				£32,000	£22,000	31%	
ERR29	Environment & Commercial	Increase Crematorium charges		20,000	40,000				£344,000	£384,000	12% Increase in Income	
ERR30	Environment & Commercial	Reduction of Winter operating hours in Kirm Drive Civic amenity site and reduction of skip removal during winter months (Oct to April)	8,000	8,000	8,000				£168,000	£160,000	5%	

Administration Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Environmental, Regeneration & Resources

Total £1,271,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction		Notes				
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed		% reduct'n			
ERR32	Environment & Commercial	Change permanent staff to seasonal staff			110,000			2.1				48	45.9	4%	2
ERR35	Environment & Commercial	Once service has reached the 60% recycling target and has implemented all segregated kerbside collections, merge waste strategy and Waste collections teams.			28,000			1.0				5	4	20%	
ERR36	Environment & Commercial	Reduction in flower bed planting in spring and summer	10,000	10,000	10,000							£52,000	£42,000	19%	
ERR37	Environment & Commercial	Refuse Collection Re-routing		68,000	68,000			2.0	2.0			2	6	33%	
ERR38	Environment & Commercial	Waste Strategy Overheads (Links to ERR 35)			15,000							£405,000	£390,000	4%	
Environmental, Regeneration & Resources Total			128,000	465,500	1,271,000	5.5	15.1	31.2							

Notes:

- 1 These 2 savings plus the £100,000 reduction in funding to Riverside Inverclyde proposed in Appendix 5 of the budget report are to be used to fund prudentially funded investment of £4.2 million in the RAMP over 2014/15.
- 2 Saving increased following discussion with CMT.

Overall Proposals

- 1) Approve the 2013/16 Revenue Budget based on the proposals contained in this booklet.
- 2) Approve Recommendation 3.2 contained in the 14th February Council Budget Report.
- 3) Approve the 2013/16 Capital Programme based on the proposals contained in this booklet.
- 4) Approve Recommendation 3.4 contained in the 14th February Council Budget Report and in addition allocate the unused Common Good events contingency towards improving Christmas Decorations/Switch-on as well as future events.

SNP Budget Proposals
2013/16

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SNP Budget

	<u>£million</u>
2015/16 Target (Per 14/2/13) Report)	4.398
Add: Community Facilities Running Costs	0.075
	<u>4.473</u>
Savings Required by 2015/16	<u>4.473</u>
Savings Proposed	
ERR	(1.242)
CHCP	(1.697)
ECOD	(1.469)
Reduction in Loan Charges	(0.065)
Total Savings	<u>(4.473)</u>

Available Free Reserves Position

	<u>£million</u>
Available Reserves (Council Report 14/2/13)	7.200
Add = Savings 2013/14	0.407
Savings 2014/15 less £278k deficit	1.530
Increased Capital Grant 2012/14	0.146
	<u>9.283</u>

<u>Note 1</u>	<u>13/14</u>	<u>14/15</u>
	<u>£000</u>	<u>£000</u>
ERR	132	467
CHCP	125	668
ECOD	150	673
	<u>407</u>	<u>1808</u>

APPENDIX 2SNP
Use of Free Reserves

	<u>£million</u>
a) Community Facilities (Per January E&C Committee)	0.750
b) Creative Scotland Match Funding	0.250
c) Repopulating/Promoting Inverclyde (Per January E&R Committee)	1.000
d) Greenock Town Centre - Extra Police Support (Per October E & R)	0.080
e) Community Grants (Per January E&R Committee)	0.052
f) 2 Campus Cops for 3 Years	0.210
g) Commonwealth Games Legacy - Sports Council Grant	0.075
h) Defer £1 for Swimming until April 2016	0.112
i) Port Glasgow Town Hall - Kitchen	0.055
j) 3 Welfare Rights Officers for 3 Years	0.276
k) Roads/Pavements Investment	2.000
l) Lighting Investment	0.476
m) Flooding Investment	0.500
n) Funding Support for 2013/16 Capital Programme	0.930
o) Upgrade George Road Pavilion	0.120
p) Apprenticeships	1.000
q) Tourism Officer & Events Budget - 3 Years	0.225
r) Defer Early Years Teachers Saving until April 2016	0.352
s) 3 Year I Pad Pilot Primary Schools	0.340
t) Inverkip Community Facility - Gym Provision	0.480
	<hr/> <u>9.283</u>

Total Available = £9.283 million

SNP Proposals
General Fund Capital Programme - 2013/16

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Policy & Resources				
Completion of Existing Programme	307	-	-	307
Annual Allocation (ICT)	567	567	567	1,701
Upgrade to Data Centre	190	-	-	190
Modernisation Fund	144	350	-	494
SV Comet	69	-	-	69
Policy & Resources Total	1,277	917	567	2,761
Environment & Regeneration				
Completion of Existing Programme (Property Services)	436	100	-	536
Annual Allocation (Property Services)	1,000	1,000	1,000	3,000
Central Gourock Development	774	3,500	-	4,274
Regeneration of Port Glasgow Town Centre	290	200	-	490
Leisure & Pitches Strategy	1,738	1,093	-	2,831
Inverkip Community Facility	225	950	-	1,175
Greenock Town Centre	7	-	-	7
Port Glasgow Town Centre Refresh of Town Hall	170	20	-	190
Asset Management Plan - Offices	4,695	6,580	570	11,845
Asset Management Plan - Depots	1,900	8,279	1,183	11,362
Completion of Existing Programme (Roads)	249	125	-	374
Annual Allocation (Roads)	1,455	1,405	1,400	4,260
Flooding Works	42	1,250	-	1,292
Additional Fund For Road Improvements	1,627	-	-	1,627
Greenock Parking Strategy	104	250	-	354
Vehicle Replacement Programme	363	1,198	2,970	4,531
Play Areas	295	-	-	295
Annual Allocation (Zero Waste Fund)	80	80	80	240
Completion of Existing Programme (Environmental & Planning)	50	-	-	50
Environment & Regeneration Total	15,500	26,030	7,203	48,733
Education & Communities				
Scheme of Assistance/Aids & Adaptations	765	1,301	1,383	3,449
Contribution to Wait Complex Refurbishment	150	3,750	-	3,900
School Estate Management Plan	22,182	11,579	3,705	37,466
Proposed Accelerated SEMP Expenditure	56	1,439	2,522	4,017
Education & Communities Total	23,153	18,069	7,610	48,832
CHCP				
SWIFT Finance Module	35	-	-	35
Kylemore Childrens Home	100	-	-	100
CHCP Total	135	-	-	135
14/2/13 Budget Proposals				
Community Facilities Investment	-	750	-	750
Extra Roads/Footways Funding	1,000	1,000	-	2,000
Extra Lighting Funding	-	-	-	-
Extra Flooding Funding	-	-	-	-
Inverkip Community Facility - Gym	-	480	-	480
Darroch Park Pavilion Refurbishment	-	120	-	120
Port Glasgow Town Hall - Kitchen Refurbishment	55	-	-	55
	1,055	2,350	-	3,405
Total Expenditure	41,120	47,366	15,380	103,866

SNP Proposals
General Fund Capital Programme - 2013/16

Notes

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Note 1				
Further Breakdown of SEMP Expenditure				
Sacred Heart Decant School Upgrade	355	116	-	471
Gourock HS - Refurb for St Columba's	5,156	1,252	-	6,408
ASN School - New Build	3,734	151	-	3,885
Demolish St Stephens HS	150	408	-	558
Primary School Accelerated Programme	546	415	-	961
Ardgowan PS Refurbishment	953	3,218	119	4,290
St Patricks PS Refurbishment	-	215	2,417	2,632
Balance of Lifecycle Fund	296	487	601	1,384
Balance of Contingency	100	1,700	100	1,900
Port Glasgow Joint Campus Secondary School	9,926	3,481	-	13,407
Future Projects	-	19	377	396
Other Projects < £250k	966	117	91	1,174
	22,182	11,579	3,705	37,466
Proposed Accelerated SEMP Expenditure				
Accelerate St Johns Primary	56	1,307	791	2,154
Accelerate Kilmacolm Primary	-	132	1,731	1,863
	56	1,439	2,522	4,017

SNP Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Education, Communities & Organisational Development

Total : £1,469,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduct'n	
ECOD01	Education	Classroom Support Service Review: Through review and support re-configuration. Including embedding of language development provision into service.	0	0	150,000	0.0	0.0	Tbc	£1,742,000	£1,592,000	8.00%	
ECOD04	Cultural	Libraries restructure - public/school.	0	36,000	36,000	0.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0	100%	
ECOD05	Cultural	Book Fund	0	40,000	40,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£82,000	£42,000	48.78%	
ECOD06	Education	Call Scotland contract.	10,000	10,000	10,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£10,000	£0	100.00%	
ECOD08	Cultural	Beacon Centre- Reduce Contribution	0	0	25,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£75,000	£50,000	33.33%	
ECOD09	Education	Cluster Posts: 1. Reduction In number of School Support Assist Posts. 2. Reduction In Number of Cluster Clerical Assist Posts.	0	0	70,000	0.0	0.0	4.0	8 FTE	4FTE	50.00%	
			0	27,000	33,000	0.0	1.2	1.8	8 Posts	6 Posts	25.00%	
ECOD10	Education	Secondary Posts: Reduction in clerical staffing formula in secondary schools.	0	22,000	32,000	0.0	1.2	1.8	1014 Hours Per Week Term Time	940 Hours Per Week Term Time	7.30%	

SNP Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Education, Communities & Organisational Development

Total: £1,469,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduction	
ECOD11	Education	Removal of 1 HQ post - Amalgamation of Arts & Music Development Posts.	0	42,000	42,000	0.0	1.0	1.0	2 FTE	1 FTE	50.00%	
ECOD14	Education	Increase out of school and nursery wraparound charges.	0	15,000	32,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£180,000	£212,000	17.78% increase in income	
ECOD16	Education	Reduce Early Years Teachers.	0	135,000	217,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£894,000	£677,000	24.27%	1
ECOD17	Education	Remove Modern Language Assistants.	27,000	33,000	33,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£93,000	£0	100.00%	
ECOD23	OD, HR & Comms	Administrative Support (OD, HR & Comms)	0	0	8,000	0.0	0.0	0.5	5 FTE	4.5 FTE	10.00%	
ECOD25	Safer & Inclusive	Reduce Grants to Vol Orgs	0	25,000	50,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£987,000	£937,000	12.92%	
ECOD27	Safer & Inclusive	Remove Outdoor Education budget	16,000	42,000	60,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£60,000	£0	100.00%	
ECOD28	Safer & Inclusive	Delete Enterprise Centre Posts	0	0	80,000	0.0	0.0	2.8	2.8 FTE	0 FTE	100.00%	

SNP Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Education, Communities & Organisational Development

Total : £1,469,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% redact'n	
ECOD32	Safer & Inclusive	Withdraw Community Warden youth intervention team.	0	0	153,000	0.0	0.0	5.0	5 FTE	0 FTE	100.00%	
ECOD33	Safer & Inclusive	Restructure removing 2 x Team Leader Posts Safer Communities	0	0	97,000	0.0	0.0	2.0	6 FTE	4 FTE	33.30%	
ECOD34	Safer & Inclusive	Swimming - Introduction of £1 charge	0	37,000	75,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£242,000	£167,000	31.00%	2
ECOD35	Safer & Inclusive	Reduction In Inverclyde Leisure Management Fee	80,000	130,000	130,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£1,699,000	£1,569,000	7.65%	
ECOD39	Safer & Inclusive	Small repair services - £10 per call out charge	0	0	17,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	£78,000	£61,000	21.79%	
ECOD40	Safer & Inclusive	Remove 1 of CLD trailers	17,000	17,000	17,000	0.0	0.5	0.5	1	0.5	50.00%	
ECOD42	Safer & Inclusive	Absorb proposed parking wardens into existing Enforcement Warden Service.	0	53,000	53,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.00%	
CEO01	Chief Executive	Administration Restructure	0	9,000	9,000	0	0.2	0.2	4.0 FTE	3.8 FTE	5.00%	
		Education, Communities & OD Total	150,000	673,000	1,469,000	0.0	4.9	20.4				

SNP Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Education, Communities & Organisational Development

Total: £1,469,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduct'n	

Note 1 - Proposed to begin to implement the saving from summer of 2014 but in recognition of the anticipated difficulties in funding posts for the displaced teachers will use reserves to fund these posts until April 2016.

Note 2 - Proposed to defer implementation of the £1 charge until 1st April 2016 and use reserves to fund income foregone until then.

SNP Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Social Care

Total £1,697,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reductions			Notes				
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduction					
CHCP 01	Directorate Wide	Charging for Services - Blue Badges @ £20 p.a. (assumes 1500 per annum increased from £2.00 to £20.00)		13,000	27,000											
		Charging for Services - Meals on Wheels at £1.50 per meal (currently 150 users at 3 to 4 meals per week, allows for 25% attrition)		15,000	31,000											
		Charging for Services - Daycare Charges to Other Local Authorities (20% increase 2014/15 rising to 30% 2015/16)		24,000	48,000											
CHCP 04	Learning Disability	Learning Disability Resource Centres (Phase 1 review current management structure and Phase 2 Future Service Provision)		50,000	100,000		1.00	2.00								
CHCP 05	Planning & Performance	Planning & Performance		82,000	82,000			2.00								
CHCP 06	Alcohol & Addictions	Alcohol & Addictions	60,000	60,000	60,000											
CHCP 07	Directorate Wide Mental Health	Review and Rationalisation of Offices - support staff and running costs		100,000	200,000			3.00								
CHCP 08	Mental Health	Mental Health		34,000	69,000			2.00								
CHCP 09	Children & Families	Children & Families - Remove 1 post	30,000	30,000	30,000			1.00		10.00						
CHCP 10	Older Peoples Services	Older Peoples Generic Services		35,000	75,000			1.00		1.00						

SNP Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Social Care

Total £1,697,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reductions			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduction	
CHCP 11	Directorate Wide	Commissioned Services		100,000	200,000				£3.8m current budget	£3.6m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.2m is a 5.3% cost reduction	
CHCP 12	Directorate Wide	Creation of Charging Order Income Budget	35,000	35,000	35,000				0	£35,000	new income budget	
CHCP 13	Homeless	Homelessness Service		40,000	40,000				£0.7m current budget	£0.66m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.04m is a 5.7% cost reduction/increased income	
CHCP 14	Older Peoples Services	Reablement	0	0	600,000			16.90	£8.1m restated available budget	£7.5m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.6m is a 7.4% cost reduction and equates to 16.9 FTE posts	
CHCP 16	Physical & Sensory	Physical & Sensory Service Redesign Including Centre for Independent Living and purchased services		50,000	100,000		1.00	1.00	£2.3m current budget	£2.2m future cost	Budget reduction of £0.1m is a 4% cost reduction	
SOCIAL CARE TOTAL			125,000	668,000	1,697,000	0.00	11.00	40.90				

SNP Proposals - 2013/16 Revenue Budget

Directorate: Environmental, Regeneration & Resources

Total £1,242,000

Saving Ref	Service	Saving Proposal	Planned Savings			Council FTE Impact (Estimate)			Service Reduction			Notes
			2013/14 £	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	2013/14 FTE	2014/15 FTE	2015/16 FTE	Current	Proposed	% reduct'n	
ERR01	Finance	Exchequer Restructure	8,000	32,000	32,000	1.0	1.0	1.0	2	1	50%	
ERR02	Finance	Finance Officer Team Review			38,000			1.0	11	10	9%	
ERR03	Finance	Delete vacancies - SW transactional team & Creditors	27,000	27,000	27,000	1.5	1.5	1.5	7.9	6.4	19%	
ERR04	ICT	Inverclyde Leisure ICT SLA		5,000	10,000				£59,000 Income	£69,000 Income	17% Increase	
ERR05	ICT	Service Desk Technician Support			27,000			1.0	9	8	11%	
ERR06	ICT	Capital Reductions- PC & Whiteboard Refresh		11,500	23,000						N/A	
ERR07	ICT	Technical Analyst Post			27,000			1.0	15	14	7%	
ERR08	Legal	Administration Support			47,000			2.0	5.5	3.5	36%	
ERR09	Legal	Legal staff reduction Principal Solicitor			54,000			1.0	3.58	2.58	28%	
ERR11	Legal	Civic hospitality	4,000	4,000	4,000				£9,000	£5,000	44%	
ERR12	Legal	Members training	2,000	2,000	2,000				£8,000	£6,000	25%	

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ERR13	Regen & Planning	Administration Support	19,000	19,000	19,000	1.0	1.0	1.0	3	2	33%	
ERR14	Regen & Planning	Service Manager			61,000			1.0	3	2	33%	
ERR15	Regen & Planning	Systems Support			25,000			1.0	2	1	50%	
ERR16	Regen & Planning	Green Charter Coordinator			45,000			1.0	2	1	50%	
ERR17	Regen & Planning	Riverside Inverclyde Allocation			100,000				£1,500,000	£1,400,000	7%	
ERR18	Regen & Planning	Regeneration Fund			60,000				£1,950,000	£1,890,000	3%	
ERR19	PAFM	Central Repairs Account		50,000	100,000				£1,787,000	£1,687,000	6%	
ERR20	PAFM	Review of the Cleaning Specification		84,000	84,000		6.0	6.0	£1,686,000	£1,602,000	5%	
ERR21	PAFM	Reduction in Cleaners Additional Hours	14,000	14,000	14,000				£136,280	£122,280	10%	
ERR22	PAFM	Reduction in 3 Catering Supervisors	20,000	50,000	50,000	1.0	2.6	2.6	26	23.4	10%	
ERR23	Environment & Commercial	Reduction in one mechanical Sweeper		20,000	20,000				5	4	20%	

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ERR25	Environment & Commercial	Depute Registrar post			26,000			1.0			4.5	3.5	22%	
ERR26	Environment & Commercial	Delete Admin post			21,000			1.0			12.4	11.4	8%	
ERR27	Environment & Commercial	Reduction of fitter operating time	16,000	16,000	16,000	1.0	1.0	1.0			7	6	14%	
ERR28	Environment & Commercial	Reduction in bus shelter maintenance		10,000	10,000						£32,000	£22,000	31%	
ERR29	Environment & Commercial	Increase Crematorium charges		20,000	40,000						£344,000	£384,000	12% Increase Income	
ERR31	Environment & Commercial	Increase Burial Charges		12,000	25,000						£207,000	£232,000	12% Increase Income	
ERR32	Environment & Commercial	Change permanent staff to seasonal staff			77,000			1.5			48	46.5	3%	
ERR34	Environment & Commercial	Waste Strategy Post			25,000			1.0			6	5	17%	
ERR35	Environment & Commercial	Once service has reached the 60% recycling target and has implemented all segregated kerbside collections, merge waste strategy and Waste collections teams.			28,000			1.0			5	4	20%	

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ERR36	Environment & Commercial	Reduction in flower bed planting in spring and summer	22,000	22,000	22,000				£52,000	£30,000	42%	
ERR37	Environment & Commercial	Refuse Collection Re-routing		68,000	68,000		2.0	2.0	1,457,000	1,389,000	5%	
ERR38	Environment & Commercial	Waste Strategy Overheads (Links to ERR 35)			15,000				£405,000	£390,000	4%	
		Environmental, Regeneration & Resources Total	132,000	466,500	1,242,000	5.5	15.1	30.6				

Overall Proposals

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- 2) Approve Recommendation 3.2 contained in the 14th February Council Budget Report.
- 3) Approve the 2013/16 Capital Programme based on the proposals contained in this booklet.
- 4) Approve Recommendation 3.4 contained in the 14th February Council Budget Report.