

**Environment & Regeneration Committee****Tuesday 25 June 2013 at 4.50 pm**

**Present:** Provost Moran, Councillors Ahlfeld, Clocherty, McColgan (for Dorrian), Campbell-Sturgess (for Grieve), Jones, MacLeod, McCabe, McCormick, Nelson and Shepherd.

**Chair:** Councillor McCormick presided.

**In attendance:** Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Legal & Democratic Services, Head of Regeneration & Planning, Legal Services Manager (Licensing, Litigation & Advice) and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

**444      Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest      444**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Dorrian and Grieve, with Councillor McColgan substituting for Councillor Dorrian and Councillor Campbell-Sturgess substituting for Councillor Grieve.

Councillors Clocherty and McCabe declared an interest in Agenda Item 2 (Midterm Review of Riverside Inverclyde and Delivery of Regeneration Services in Inverclyde and Associated Reports).

**It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 6 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.**

**445      Midterm Review of Riverside Inverclyde and Delivery of Regeneration Services in Inverclyde and Associated Reports      445**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) on the findings of the recent midterm review of Riverside Inverclyde (ri) carried out on behalf of the member organisations of ri by New Skills Consulting and associated reports by Deloitte and Hg Consulting and (2) making recommendations relative to the corporate governance of ri and its associated companies.

Councillors Clocherty and McCabe declared a non-financial interest in this matter as Members of the Board of Riverside Inverclyde. 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 recommendations outlined in Section 5 of the report;

(2) that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to develop the new partnership arrangements in consultation with Scottish Enterprise and ri's Board and report to the Committee in due course; and

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(3) that it be noted the Chief Executive has been asked by the ri Board together with ri's Chair and Scottish Enterprise to establish appropriate interim and permanent management arrangements for ri and the subsidiary companies.