

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 8 OCTOBER 2014

General Purposes Board

Wednesday 8 October 2014 at 3.00pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Grieve, Jones, Loughran, McIlwee and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Chief Inspector S Wright and Inspector G Kirkwood, Police Scotland.

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

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| 579 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 579 |
| | <p>Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor McColgan with Provost Moran substituting on his behalf.</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest intimated.</p> | |
| 580 | Taxi Fares Review 2014 | 580 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services requesting the Board to determine the taxi fare scales and charges following the statutory consultation exercise.</p> <p>Mr Douglas advised Members that no objections or representations had been received and if the Board agree to the increase, it is proposed to take effect from Sunday 23 November 2014.</p> <p>Decided: remit to the Head of Legal & Property Services to implement the increase in taxi fare scales and charges with effect from 23 November 2014.</p> | |
| 581 | Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Application for Multi-Access General Hire Licences – Devonhill (x2) | 581 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services to consider two applications by Devonhill Ltd for Multi- Access General Hire Taxi Licences.</p> <p>Mr McEntegart, Solicitor was present representing the applicant.</p> <p>Mr Douglas advised the Board on the background of the applications.</p> <p>Mr McEntegart sought the Board's views on a preliminary point prior to proceeding with consideration of the applications.</p> <p>Mr Douglas advised that the documentation Mr McEntegart referred to related to a previously granted licence and he would require sight of the documentation relating thereto before making any comments.</p> <p>The Board agreed to recall this item at the end of the meeting in order to obtain the relevant information.</p> | |

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- 582 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Application for Multi-Access General Hire Licences – Glenaden Ltd (x3) 582**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services to consider three applications by Glenaden Ltd for Multi- Access General Hire Taxi Licences. Mr McEntegart, Solicitor was present representing the applicant. Mr Douglas advised the Board on the background of the applications. Mr McEntegart sought the Board's views on a preliminary point prior to proceeding with consideration of the applications. Mr Douglas advised that the documentation Mr McEntegart referred to related to a previously granted licence and he would require sight of the documentation relating thereto before making any comments. The Board agreed to recall this item at the end of the meeting in order to obtain the relevant information.
- 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.**
- 583 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence – Sharon Robertson 583**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Ms Robertson following a Police representation. Ms Robertson was not present or represented, but had lodged a letter of representation. The Board heard Chief Inspector Wright in support of the Police representation. Following discussion, the Board unanimously agreed to grant the application.
Decided: the application be granted.
- 584 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence – Robert Hotchkiss 584**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Hotchkiss following a Police representation. Mr Hotchkiss was not present or represented. Mr Douglas advised the application was placed on the Agenda of the meeting on 13 August 2014 and Members asked for Mr Hotchkiss to be in attendance. The Board heard Chief Inspector Wright in support of the Police representation. Following discussion the Board unanimously agreed to grant the application.
Decided: the application be granted.
- 585 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence – Gordon Clark 585**
- There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Clark following a Police objection. Mr Clark was present. Mr Douglas advised the Board on the background of the report and intimated that a letter dated 30 September 2014 had been submitted for the Board's consideration by Mr Clark's Solicitors. The letter was circulated to Members. The Board heard Chief Inspector Wright in support of the Police objection and Mr Clark in support of his application.

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Following discussion, the Board unanimously agreed to refuse the application.

Decided: the application be refused.

586 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence – Joseph Duffy 586

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Duffy following a Police representation.

Mr Duffy was not present or represented.

The Board heard Chief Inspector Wright in support of the Police representation.

Following discussion the Board unanimously agreed to refuse the application.

Decided: the application be refused.

587 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence – Linda Cochrane 587

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Ms Cochrane following a Police objection.

Ms Cochrane was present with her representative Mr D Simpson.

The Board heard Chief Inspector Wright in support of the Police objection and Mr Simpson and Ms Cochrane in support of the application.

Following discussion, Councillor Campbell-Sturgess moved refusal of the application, as an amendment Councillor Brooks moved grant of the application. On a vote, three Members voted for the motion, and seven Members for the amendment which was declared carried.

Decided: the application be granted.

588 Application for Renewal of Late Hours Catering Licence – Mr Farooq Arbab 588
Premises: Real Spiced Village, 63 Princes Street, Port Glasgow

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services for the renewal of a Late Hours Catering Licence by Mr Arbab for premises at Real Spiced Village, 63 Princes Street, Port Glasgow following a public objection.

Mr Maciver, Solicitor was present representing the applicant. The objector was not present or represented.

Mr Douglas advised the Board on the background of the report and intimated that a letter dated 24 September 2014 had been submitted for the Board's consideration by the applicant's Solicitor. The letter was circulated to Members.

The Board heard Mr Maciver in support of the applicant.

Following discussion the Board unanimously agreed to grant the application.

Decided: the application be granted.

589 Wheelchair Safety Training for Multi-Access Vehicle Taxi Drivers and Disclosure 589
Scotland Screening for new Taxi Drivers

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services at the request of Councillor Rebecchi asking the Board to consider implementing the following proposals:-

- (i) Taxi drivers of multi-access vehicles undertake wheelchair safety training from an appropriate training provider; and
- (ii) Taxi drivers to have 'Disclosure Scotland' screening when applying for a new grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence.

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The Board heard Councillor Rebecchi on each subject and there followed a discussion on each proposal.

Decided:

- (i) remit to the Head of Legal & Property Services to provide a detailed report to a future meeting of the Board on wheelchair safety training; and
- (ii) remit to the Head of Legal & Property Services to provide a detailed report on additional 'Disclosure Scotland' checks within the current application process.

There followed a short recess to allow the Depute Clerk to view additional documentation in relation to the following recalled items.

590 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Application for Multi-Access General Hire Licences – Devonhill (x2) 590

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services to consider two applications by Devonhill Ltd for Multi- Access General Hire Taxi Licences.

Mr McEntegart, Solicitor was present representing the applicant.

Mr Douglas updated the Board on the preliminary issue previously raised and advised that these type of licences are restricted in number and no licence is available at present.

The Board heard Mr McEntegart in support of the applications and clarified his client is aware these type of licences are restricted in number. However, it was the applicant's position that a previously issued licence had reverted to the Council, and accordingly there was a licence available for issue.

Decided: the applications be refused.

591 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Application for Multi-Access General Hire Licences – Glenaden Ltd (x3) 591

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services to consider three applications by Glenaden Ltd for Multi- Access General Hire Taxi Licences.

Mr McEntegart, Solicitor was present representing the applicant.

Mr Douglas updated the Board on the preliminary issue previously raised and advised that these type of licences are restricted in number and no licence is available at present.

The Board heard Mr McEntegart in support of the applications and clarified his client is aware these type of licences are restricted in number. However, it was the applicant's position that a previously issued licence had reverted to the Council, and accordingly there was a licence available for issue. He requested Members to consider the two applications submitted on 2 May 2014 together and made a motion to continue consideration of the application submitted on 1 August 2014.

Decided:

- (i) the two applications submitted on 2 May 2014 be refused; and
- (ii) continue consideration of the application submitted on 1 August 2014 to a further meeting of the Board.

Mr McEntegart requested a Statement of Reasons on these two items.
Mr Douglas noted the request.

Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Sub-CommitteeThursday 9 October 2014 at 2.30pm

Present: Councillors Brennan, Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, Loughran, McCabe, McColgan, McEleny, McIlwee and Shepherd.

Chair: Councillor Loughran presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities and Ms S Lang (for Head of Legal & Property Services).

In attendance also: Chief Superintendent Alan Speirs and Superintendent Nicola Burns, Police Scotland, Area Manager Paul Tanzilli and Group Manager Paul Nelis, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service.

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

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| 592 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 592 |
| | An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Wilson. | |
| | No declarations of interest were intimated. | |
| 593 | Police Scotland Report | 593 |
| | There was submitted a performance report for the Inverclyde local policing area covering the period April to August 2014 showing a comparison with the same period in 2013. | |
| | Noted | |
| 594 | Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Report | 594 |
| | There was submitted a report (1) on Fire and Rescue performance and activities in Inverclyde during the 2013/14 annual reporting period and also the first quarter (April to June) of the 2014/15 reporting period and (2) appending the Annual Operating Plan produced to complement the Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2014/17. | |
| | Noted | |

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The Inverclyde Council

Thursday 9 October 2014 at 4pm

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, Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Legal & Property Services, Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Environmental Services Manager, Roads, Transport & Waste Collection, Mr M Higginbotham (Environmental & Commercial Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

595 Apologies and Declarations of Interest 595

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

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

596 The Inverclyde Council – 5 June 2014 596

Approved on the motion of Provost Moran.

597 General Purposes Board – 11 June 2014 597

Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.

598 Environment & Regeneration Committee (Special) – 17 June 2014 598

It was noted that this minute had been approved at the special meeting of the Inverclyde Council on 19 June 2014.

599 Audit Committee (Special) – 19 June 2014 599

Approved on the motion of Councillor Rebecchi.

600 Inverclyde Council (Special) – 19 June 2014 600

Approved on the motion of Provost Moran.

601 Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership Sub-Committee (Special) – 25 June 2014 601

Approved on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.

602 General Purposes Board (Special) – 2 July 2014 602

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- Approved** on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.
- 603 Planning Board – 6 August 2014 603**
- Approved** on the motion of Councillor Wilson.
- 604 Local Review Body – 6 August 2014 604**
- Approved** on the motion of Councillor Wilson.
- 605 Policy & Resources Committee – 12 August 2014 605**
- Approved** on the motion of Councillor McCabe.
- 606 General Purposes Board – 13 August 2014 606**
- Approved** on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.
- 607 Environment & Regeneration Committee (Special) – 14 August 2014 607**
- Approved** on the motion of Councillor McCormick.
- 608 Audit Committee – 26 August 2014 608**
- Approved** on the motion of Councillor Rebecchi.
- 609 Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership Sub-Committee – 28 August 2014 609**
- Approved** on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.
- 610 Health & Social Care Committee – 28 August 2014 610**
- Approved** on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.
- 611 Grants Sub-Committee – 2 September 2014 611**
- Approved** on the motion of Councillor McColgan.
- 612 Local Review Body – 3 September 2014 612**
- Approved** on the motion of Councillor Wilson.
- 613 Environment & Regeneration Committee – 4 September 2014 613**
- Approved** on the motion of Councillor McCormick.

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- 614 Education & Communities Committee – 9 September 2014 614**
Approved on the motion of Councillor Loughran.
- 615 General Purposes Board – 10 September 2014 615**
Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.
- 616 Human Resources Appeals Board – 11 September 2014 616**
Approved on the motion of Councillor Brooks.
- 617 Audit Committee (Special) – 23 September 2014 617**
Approved on the motion of Councillor Nelson.
- 618 Policy & Resources Committee – 23 September 2014 618**
Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.
- 619 Policy & Resources Committee (Special) – 30 September 2014 619**
Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.
- 620 Local Review Body – 1 October 2014 620**
Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson.
- 621 General Purposes Board – 8 October 2014 621**
 It was noted that this minute would be submitted to the next scheduled meeting of the Inverclyde Council.
- 622 Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Sub-Committee – 9 October 2014 622**
 It was noted that this minute would be submitted to the next scheduled meeting of the Inverclyde Council.
- 623 Scheme of Administration: Political Balance 623**
 There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services advising the Council of the requirements to ensure political balance on Committees, Sub-Committees, Boards and Outside Bodies (where appropriate) following upon the resignation from the Labour Group of Councillor Vaughan Jones.
- Policy & Resources Committee
- Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that Councillor Ahlfeld be appointed to the Policy & Resources Committee in place of Provost Moran. This was agreed unanimously.

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Environment & Regeneration Committee

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Environment & Regeneration Committee. This was agreed unanimously.

Education & Communities Committee

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that Councillor Jones be appointed to the Education & Communities Committee in place of Councillor McIlwee. This was agreed unanimously.

Health & Social Care Committee

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Health & Social Care Committee but that Councillor Dorrian be appointed as Vice-Convener in place of Councillor Jones. This was agreed unanimously.

Audit Committee

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Audit Committee. This was agreed unanimously.

General Purposes Board

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the General Purposes Board. This was agreed unanimously.

Planning Board

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Planning Board. This was agreed unanimously.

Human Resources Appeals Board

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Human Resources Appeals Board. This was agreed unanimously.

Policy & Resources Executive Sub-Committee

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Policy & Resources Executive Sub-Committee. This was agreed unanimously.

Grants Sub-Committee

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Grants Sub-Committee. This was agreed unanimously.

Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership Sub-Committee

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Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership Sub-Committee. This was agreed unanimously.

Local Review Body

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that Councillor Rebecchi be appointed to the Local Review Body in place of Provost Moran. As an amendment, Councillor McEleny seconded by Councillor MacLeod moved that one of the Labour Members on the Local Review Body be replaced by Councillor Campbell-Sturgess rather than by Councillor Rebecchi. On a vote, 6 Members voted for the amendment and 12 for the motion which was declared carried.

Fair Trade Steering Group

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Fair Trade Steering Group. This was agreed unanimously.

Inverclyde Alliance Board

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Inverclyde Alliance Board. This was agreed unanimously.

Inverclyde Branch of the Scottish Veterans' Garden City Association (Inc)

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Inverclyde Branch of the Scottish Veterans' Garden City Association (Inc). This was agreed unanimously.

Inverclyde Community Development Trust

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that Councillor Rebecchi be appointed to the Inverclyde Community Development Trust in place of Councillor McIlwee. As an amendment, Councillor McEleny seconded by Councillor MacLeod moved that Councillor Brooks be appointed in place of one of the existing Labour Members. On a vote, 6 Members voted for the amendment and 12 for the motion which was declared carried.

Inverclyde Crime Prevention Panel

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Inverclyde Crime Prevention Panel. This was agreed unanimously.

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Inverclyde Leisure

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that Councillor Loughran be replaced on Inverclyde Leisure by a SNP nominated Member and it was agreed unanimously that this be Councillor MacLeod.

James Campbell Buchanan Trust

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that Councillor McColgan be replaced on the James Campbell Buchanan Trust by a SNP nominated Member and it was agreed unanimously that this be Councillor Grieve.

Peter Stanton Memorial Trust - Trustees

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that Councillor McCabe agree to step down from his position on the Peter Stanton Memorial Trust if a Member of the Minority Groups wishes to be nominated for this position. It was agreed unanimously that there be no change to the current membership of the Peter Stanton Memorial Trust.

Renfrewshire Educational Trust Board

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that Councillor Shepherd be appointed to the Renfrewshire Educational Trust Board in place of Councillor Loughran. This was agreed unanimously.

Renfrewshire Valuation Joint Board

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that Councillor Loughran be appointed to the Renfrewshire Valuation Joint Board in place of Councillor Jones and that there be no change to the existing named substitutes. This was agreed unanimously.

River Clyde Homes Board

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of River Clyde Homes Board. This was agreed unanimously.

Riverside Inverclyde

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of Riverside Inverclyde and that in future membership comprise the Leader and Depute Leader of the Council and a Member of the Minority Groups. As an amendment, Councillor McEleny seconded by Councillor MacLeod moved that Councillor Nelson be appointed as the Minority Group Member in place of Councillor Wilson. On a vote, 6 Members voted for the amendment and 12 for the motion which was declared carried.

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Scottish Accident Prevention Council and Committees

Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that there be no change to the current membership of the Scottish Accident Prevention Council and Committees. This was agreed unanimously.

Decided: that the adjustments to the membership of Committees, Sub-Committees, Boards and relevant Outside Bodies be as follows:-

Policy & Resources Committee

Councillor Ahlfeld to be appointed in place of Provost Moran.

Environment & Regeneration Committee

No change to current membership.

Education & Communities Committee

Councillor Jones to be appointed in place of Councillor McIlwee.

Health & Social Care Committee

No change to current membership but Councillor Dorrian to be appointed as Vice-Convenor in place of Councillor Jones.

Audit Committee

No change to current membership.

General Purposes Board

No change to current membership.

Planning Board

No change to current membership.

Human Resources Appeals Board

No change to current membership.

Policy & Resources Executive Sub-Committee

No change to current membership.

Grants Sub-Committee

No change to current membership.

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Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership Sub-Committee

No change to current membership.

Local Review Body

Councillor Rebecchi to be appointed in place of Provost Moran.

Fair Trade Steering Group

No change to current membership.

Inverclyde Alliance Board

No change to current membership.

Inverclyde Branch of the Scottish Veterans' Garden City Association (Inc)

No change to current membership.

Inverclyde Community Development Trust

Councillor Rebecchi to be appointed in place of Councillor McIlwee.

Inverclyde Crime Prevention Panel

No change to current membership.

Inverclyde Leisure

Councillor MacLeod to be appointed in place of Councillor Loughran.

James Campbell Buchanan Trust

Councillor Grieve to be appointed in place of Councillor McColgan.

Peter Stanton Memorial Trust - Trustees

No change to current membership.

Renfrewshire Educational Trust Board

Councillor Shepherd to be appointed in place of Councillor Loughran.

Renfrewshire Valuation Joint Board

Councillor Loughran to be appointed in place of Councillor Jones with continuation of current named substitutes.

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River Clyde Homes Board

No change to current membership.

Riverside Inverclyde

Membership to comprise the Leader and Depute Leader of the Council and a Member of the Minority Groups, currently Councillor Wilson.

Scottish Accident Prevention Council and Committees

No change to current membership.

(2) that Councillor McIlwee be appointed to the CoSLA Health & Wellbeing Group in place of Councillor Jones; and

(3) that Councillor McCabe be appointed to the CoSLA Strategic Human Resources Management Group in place of Councillor McIlwee.

624 The Greenock Arts Guild Board

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) providing an update on progress made by the Greenock Arts Guild Board since the meeting of the Council on 5 June 2014 and (2) advising of the resignation of Councillor David Wilson from the Board.

Decided:

(1) that the Council note the resignation of Councillor David Wilson from the position of Director on the Board of the Greenock Arts Guild; and

(2) that consideration of Member appointments to the Board of the Greenock Arts Guild be continued to the meeting on 4 December 2014 to allow the Board to implement its recovery plan including a Board development plan and skills and equality audits of Board Directors.

625 CoSLA

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services asking the Council to consider the continuation of its membership of the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (CoSLA).

Decided: that the Council continue its membership of CoSLA and remit it to the Chief Executive to inform CoSLA accordingly.

626 Proposed Parks Management Rules – Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee

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There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 17 June 2014 requesting approval of new Parks Management Rules.

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Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the new Parks Management Rules as detailed in Appendix 1 and authorise the Head of Legal & Property Services to make arrangements for these to be signed by a Proper Officer and sealed with the Council Seal.

627 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 2 2014 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 627

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 4 September 2014 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 2 2014.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Persons’ Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 2 2014, all as detailed in the copy of the proposed Order forming a supplement to the principal Minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

628 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 1) Order 2014 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 628

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 4 September 2014 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 1) Order 2014.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 1) Order 2014, all as detailed in the copy of the proposed Order forming a supplement to the principal Minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

629 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 1) Order 2014 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 629

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 4 September 2014 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 1) Order 2014.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 1) Order 2014, all as detailed in the copy of the proposed Order forming a supplement to the principal Minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

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- 630 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Inner Greenock) (Controlled Parking Zone) (Variation No. 1) Order 2014 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 630**
- There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 4 September 2014 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Inner Greenock) (Controlled Parking Zone) (Variation No. 1) Order 2014.
- Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Inner Greenock) (Controlled Parking Zone) (Variation No. 1) Order 2014, all as detailed in the copy of the proposed Order forming a supplement to the principal Minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.
- 631 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Union Street, Greenock (7.5 Tonne Weight Restriction) Order 2014 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 631**
- There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 4 September 2014 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order - Union Street, Greenock (7.5 Tonne Weight Restriction) Order 2014.
- Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - Union Street, Greenock (7.5 Tonne Weight Restriction) Order 2014, all as detailed in the copy of the proposed Order forming a supplement to the principal Minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.
- 632 Treasury Management Annual Report 2013/14 - Remit from Policy & Resources Committee 632**
- There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Policy & Resources Committee of 23 September 2014 requesting approval of the Treasury Management Annual Report 2013/14.
- Decided:** that approval be given to the Treasury Management Annual Report 2013/14 appended to the report.
- 633 Accounts of Charitable Trusts and Reorganisation 633**
- There was submitted a report by the Honorary Treasurer requesting the Council as Trustees to take action relative to the accounts of Charitable Trusts and to approve proposals for reorganisation.
- Decided:** that the Council, as Trustees:
- (1) adopt the annual accounts for the year ended 31 March 2014 of (a) the Lady Alice Shaw-Stewart Memorial Fund, (b) William Stewart of St Fillans Bequest, (c) Miss Agnes Gallagher Trust for Poor, all audited by Grant Thornton, and (d) the Queen Victoria Diamond Jubilee Fund, examined by David Connell CIPFA, and approve their onward transmission to the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR);

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- (2) note the findings of Grant Thornton's audit report; and
- (3) approve the winding up of the Queen Victoria Diamond Jubilee Fund and Miss Agnes Gallagher Trust for Poor and their removal from the OSCR register.

634 Trust Funds Annual Accounts 2013-2014 634

There was submitted a report by the Honorary Treasurer requesting the Council, as Trustees, to review and approve the annual accounts of two Trust Funds which are not registered charities.

Decided: that the Council as Trustees:

- (1) approve the annual accounts for the Birkmyre Trust and Watt Institution Trust Fund for the year ended 31 March 2014; and
- (2) note the accounts of the McLeod Trust administered by Port Glasgow High School for the year ended 31 March 2014.

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 paragraphs 4 and 6 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act and for the item thereafter on the grounds that it contained exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act, as detailed in the relevant minute.

635 Applications for Grant to Lady Alice Shaw-Stewart Memorial Fund 635

There was submitted a report by the Honorary Treasurer requesting the Council as Trustees to consider (1) the grant applications for financial support from the Lady Alice Shaw-Stewart Memorial Fund and (2) procedures for delegating authority to the Provost and Council Officers in the consideration of future applications to the Lady Alice Shaw-Stewart Memorial Fund.

Decided: that the Council as Trustees:

- (1) approve the recommendations for awards by the Head of Children's Services and Criminal Justice; and
- (2) approve the proposals for consideration of future awards as detailed in the report.

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636 Environment & Regeneration Committee (Special) – 17 June 2014 636

Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.

637 The Inverclyde Council (Special) – 19 June 2014 637

Approved on the motion of Provost Moran.

638 Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership Sub-Committee (Special) – 25 June 2014 638

Approved on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.

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639	Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership Sub-Committee – 28 August 2014	639
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.	
640	Environment & Regeneration Committee – 4 September 2014	640
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.	
641	Education & Communities Committee – 9 September 2014	641
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Loughran.	
642	Human Resources Appeals Board – 11 September 2014	642
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Brooks.	

GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE –16 OCTOBER 2014

Grants Sub-CommitteeThursday 16 October 2014 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, McColgan, Brennan (for McIlwee), Shepherd and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor McColgan presided.

In attendance: Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Services Manager Community Learning & Development and Ms R McGhee (for Head of Legal & Property Services).

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

643 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 643

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor McIlwee, with Councillor Brennan substituting.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

644 Round 2 Applications 2014 – 2015: Deferred and Late Applications 644

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development giving details of applications received for consideration for funding from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Budget in 2014-2015 deferred from the meeting of the Sub-Committee on 2 September 2014 together with late applications for Round 2.

In addition to the late applications detailed in the report, the Sub-Committee agreed to consider late applications from (a) Crawfordsburn Community Centre for £1,376 in respect of taking children from the east end to the Kings Theatre and (b) Inverkip Community Enterprise for £1,496 in respect of a fitness instructor, hall hire (£1,050) for over 50's keep-fit, photoshop software x 5, training manuals x 2 and £466.50 for computing groups.

Decided: that grants be made to voluntary organisations as follows:-

**Application Deferred from Round 1
One Off Grant**

Group	Award
Waterfront Ice Skating Club	£500*

**Application Deferred from Round 1
3 Year Grant under £5,000**

Group	Award
Inverclyde Phoenix American Football Club	Consider following exclusion of public and press from meeting

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**Application Deferred from Round 2
One Off Grants**

Group	Award
Kelburn Community Action Group	£2,000*

**Applications Deferred from Round 2
3 Year Grants under £5,000**

Group	Award
Federation of Inverclyde Tenants and Residents (FITRA)	Up to £1,500 one off grant for website & £750 p.a.*
Wemyss Bay Community Association	£2,000*

**Applications Deferred from Round 2
3 Year Grants £5,000 and Over**

Group	Award
Kelburn Community Action Group	£1,000*
East End United Boys' Club	Consider following exclusion of public and press from meeting

One Off Grants

Group	Award
Port Glasgow Golf Club (Junior Section)	£2,000*
Inverclyde Historical Society	£1,500
Crawfurdsburn Community Centre	Up to £1,100*
Inverkip Community Enterprise	Up to £950*

3 Year Grants Under £5,000

Group	Award
Greenock Juniors FC	Consider following exclusion of public and press from meeting
Enable (Inverclyde)	£1,500

* Conditional

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

645 Round 2 Applications 2014-2015: Additional Information Requested

645

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing additional information on three applications received for consideration for funding from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations budget in 2014-2015 deferred by the Sub-Committee from the meeting on 2 September 2014.

The Sub-Committee also resumed consideration of the applications by Inverclyde Phoenix American Football Club, East End United Boys' Club and Greenock Juniors FC.

Decided: that Grants to Voluntary Organisations be made as follows:-

**Application Deferred from Round 1
3 Year Grant Under £5,000**

Group	Award
Inverclyde Phoenix American Football Club	£850

**Applications Deferred from Round 2
One Off Grants**

Group	Award
Stedfast Silver Band	£500*
Paisley and District Schools Football Association	£500

**Applications Deferred from Round 2
3 Year Grants £5,000 and Over**

Group	Award
Reach for Autism CIC	Nil
East End United Boys' Club	Defer

3 Year Grant Under £5,000

Group	Award
Greenock Juniors FC	Defer

* Conditional

AUDIT COMMITTEE – 21 OCTOBER 2014

Audit Committee

Tuesday 21 October 2014 at 3pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, Dorrian, Nelson and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Rebecchi presided.

In attendance: Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Legal & Property Services, Chief Internal Auditor, Mr M Thomson (for Head of Finance), Mr A McDonald (for Interim Head of ICT) and Ms G Murphy (Legal & Property Services).

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

646 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 646

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Jones, Loughran and MacLeod.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

647 Risk Management Progress Report 647

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising Members on the progress made on Risk Management since the meeting of the Committee on 22 April 2014.

Noted

648 External Audit Action Plans - Current Actions 648

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the status of current actions from the External Audit Action Plan at 31 August 2014.

Noted

649 Internal Audit Progress Report – 4 August to 26 September 2014 649

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources appending the monitoring report in respect of Internal Audit activity for the period 4 August to 26 September 2014.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the content of the report; and
- (2) that a report on the CHCP client assessment process and the subsequent operation of Trust Accounts be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee.

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- 650 Business Continuity Management – Action Plan Update 650**
- There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources informing Members of progress made in relation to the implementation of the agreed action plan in relation to the review of Business Continuity Management.
(Councillor Campbell-Sturgess entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business).
Noted
- 651 Local Authority Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2014 651**
- There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising Members of minor changes to the Annual Accounts process recently enacted by the Scottish Government which place a greater responsibility on the local authority as a corporate body.
Noted

HUMAN RESOURCES APPEALS BOARD – 22 OCTOBER 2014

Human Resources Appeals Board**Wednesday 22 October 2014 at 10am**

Present: Councillors Brennan, Brooks, Clocherty and Shepherd.

Chair: Councillor Brooks presided.

In attendance: Mr J Hamilton (for Head of Legal & Property 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.

652 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 652

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

No 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.

653 Appeal Against Demotion: Employee in Education Services 653

The Board, which had re-convened from its meeting of 11 September 2014, resumed consideration of an appeal against demotion on behalf of an employee in Education Services 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.

Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership Sub-CommitteeThursday 23 October 2014 at 3pm

Present: Councillors K Brooks (for V Jones), M Campbell-Sturgess (for J MacLeod), S McCabe, J McIlwee and L Rebecchi (Inverclyde Council); Dr D Lyons and Mr K Winter, Non-Executive Directors, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Health Board; Ms D McCrone, Staff Partnership Forum; Mrs M Telfer (for 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 Planning Health Improvement & Commissioning, Head of Mental Health, Addictions & Homelessness Service, Head of Health & Community Care, Head of Children & Families and Criminal Justice, Service Manager Rehabilitation & Enablement, Ms L Bairden (for Head of Finance), Ms F McLaren (Finance Services), Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Project Manager - Your Voice Inverclyde Community Care Forum.

Prior to the commencement of business, Councillor McIlwee welcomed Dr Donald Lyons to the meeting and also congratulated Mr Ken Winter on his appointment as Vice-Chair of the Sub-Committee.

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

654 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest**654**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Jones, with Councillor Brooks substituting, Councillor MacLeod, with Councillor Campbell-Sturgess substituting, Dr Macdonald and Mrs Nell McFadden, with Mrs Margaret Telfer substituting.

Councillor McIlwee declared an interest in Agenda Item 10 (Update in Relation to the Tendering Process for Homecare Services in Inverclyde).

655 Inverclyde CHCP's Implementation of the Scottish Government's National Strategy "Keys to Life" for Services for People with a Learning Disability**655**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership on the Scottish Government's 10 year strategy "The Keys to Life" which aims to improve the quality of life for people with a learning disability in Scotland. The Sub-Committee heard a presentation on this subject by Alan Best, Rehabilitation & Enablement Service Manager, who answered a number of questions from Members.

Decided:

(1) that the Sub-Committee note the content of the Scottish Government's 10 year strategy for adults with learning disabilities, "The Keys to Life – Improving Quality of Life for People with Learning Disability" and acknowledge the need to develop a local response within prescribed timescales in partnership involving health, social work services, voluntary and third party partners and with people with learning disabilities and their carers;

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(2) that the Sub-Committee acknowledge the breadth of recommendations and range of stakeholders involved to meet the challenges of the strategy which will require leadership, co-ordination, ownership and drive across a number of partnerships including education, housing and employability and skills;

(3) that the Sub-Committee approve the proposed development of a formal structure overseen by the CHCP to support the development and delivery of an appropriate local response and ensure a co-ordinated approach and that the proposals for the structure be the subject of a future report to the Sub-Committee;

(4) that the Sub-Committee note the progress made in terms of the mapping and emerging proposed developments in learning disability services across Inverclyde and approve the direction of travel; and

(5) that the Sub-Committee note the update of the redesign of NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Adult Community Learning Disability Service.

656 Community Health & Care Partnership - Financial Report 2014/15 as at Period 5 to 31 August 2014 656

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership advising the Sub-Committee of the 2014/15 Revenue and Capital Budget position as at Period 5 to 31 August 2014.

Decided:

(1) that the Sub-Committee note the current year Revenue Budget and projected overspend of £47,000 for 2014/15 as at 31 August 2014;

(2) that the Sub-Committee note that the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership will work to contain the projected overspend within the overall Social Work Budget for the year;

(3) that the Sub-Committee note that the Social Work capital is projected to budget at £195,000 in the current year and is on target over the life of the projects and that the Health capital is projected to budget at £138,000;

(4) that the current Earmarked Reserves position be noted;

(5) that the position in respect of prescribing be noted; and

(6) that approval be given to the Social Work Budget virement totalling £2,000 as set out in Appendix 7 to the report.

657 Chief Social Work Officer – Annual Report 657

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership appending the Chief Social Work Officer Annual Report which provides Members with a view on the effective functioning of Social Work Services within Inverclyde as a component of the governance arrangements of the Council and outlines the key challenges faced by the service.

Decided:

(1) that the Sub-Committee note the Chief Social Work Officer report set out in Appendix 1; and

(2) that the report be submitted to the Inverclyde Council for consideration.

658 Workforce Monitoring Report 658

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership providing information on workforce issues and developments including progress in terms of workforce targets.

Decided: that the report be noted.

- 659 Audit Scotland Report – Reshaping Care for Older People: February 2014 659**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership providing an update on the Audit Scotland Report on the Scottish Government Directive, Reshaping Care for Older People.
- Decided:** that the Sub-Committee note the Audit Scotland Report and the progress made locally with regard to implementing Reshaping Care for Older People.
- 660 Family Nurse Partnership Programme in Inverclyde 660**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership on progress made by Inverclyde CHCP in relation to the introduction of the Family Nurse Partnership Programme in Inverclyde.
- Decided:** that the Sub-Committee note the content of the report and the progress made to date in implementing the Family Nurse Partnership in Inverclyde.
- 661 Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA) 661**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership informing the Sub-Committee of changes to the Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA) Guidance, the work currently being undertaken by the MAPPA Extension Advisory Group and the plan to conduct a joint thematic review of MAPPA.
- Decided:** that the report be noted.
- 662 Inverclyde CHCP – NHS Continuing Care Facilities and Community Services for Specialist Nursing, Older People’s Dementia and Adult Mental Health Intensive Supported Living 662**
- There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership on the progress of the provision of new NHS continuing care facilities on the Inverclyde Royal Hospital site and of the commissioning process for the provision of specialist nursing care for older people with dementia and adult mental health supported living services in Inverclyde.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Sub-Committee note the report on the development of NHS continuing care facilities and the progress on work to enable submission of the Final Business Case for approval to the Scottish Government’s Capital Investment Group on 28 October 2014;
 - (2) that the Sub-Committee note the progress of the work on and the development of the tendering arrangements for the community facilities and service which are funded through agreement with NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde on a non-recurring transitional funding basis until Ravenscraig Hospital is closed, when resource transfer will be available; and
 - (3) that the Sub-Committee note the revised timetable for the closure of Ravenscraig Hospital.

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 and 8 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

663 Update in Relation to the Tendering Process for Homecare Services in Inverclyde 663

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership on procurement issues in relation to the forthcoming tender process for homecare services in Inverclyde.

Councillor McIlwee declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Director of Evergreen Home Support. 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.

The Committee agreed to the recommendations contained in the report, all as detailed in the appendix.

664 Mrs Nell McFadden 664

At the conclusion of business, Councillor McIlwee asked that the Sub-Committee's best wishes be extended to Mrs McFadden for her continued recovery from illness.

ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 30 OCTOBER 2014

Environment & Regeneration Committee

Thursday 30 October 2014 at 3pm

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

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Finance Manager, Head of Legal & Property Services, Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Environmental Services Manager Roads, Transport & Waste Collection, Environmental Services Manager (Roads), Manager of Streetscene, Burial Grounds & Registrars, Mr I Kearns (Environmental & Commercial Services), Head of Regeneration & Planning, Property Assets 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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| 665 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 665 |
| | <p>Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Grieve, with Councillor McEleny substituting, and Councillor MacLeod, with Councillor Campbell-Sturgess substituting.</p> <p>Councillors Ahlfeld and Clocherty declared an interest in Agenda Item 5 (Regeneration & Employability – Performance Reporting).</p> | |
| 666 | Environment & Regeneration Revenue Budget 2014/15 – Period 5 to 31 August 2014 | 666 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources and the Head of Finance on the position of the Revenue Budget 2014/15 as at Period 5 (31 August 2014) which showed a projected underspend of £112,000.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £112,000 for 2014/15 as at 31 August 2014;</p> <p>(2) that approval be given to the virement as detailed in section 7 and Appendix 4 of the report; and</p> <p>(3) that approval be given to the creation of an Earmarked Reserve of £90,000 to cover City Deal project management office costs for 2014/17.</p> | |
| 667 | Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme 2014/15 to 2015/16 - Progress | 667 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources and the Head of Finance on the position of the projects in the Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme.</p> | |

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The Head of Regeneration & Planning updated the Committee on proposals to carry out routine maintenance and procure a cover for the SV Comet at a total cost of £28,000.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current position of the Capital Programme 2014/16 and the progress of the specific projects detailed in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report;
- (2) that the Committee approve the additional projects detailed in paragraph 6.4 of the report and the financial implications detailed in paragraph 7.4;
- (3) that the former Business Store be declared surplus to requirements and be marketed for sale; and
- (4) that authority be delegated to the Head of Regeneration & Planning to arrange for routine maintenance to be carried out and to procure a cover for the SV Comet at a total cost of £28,000.

668 Environment, Regeneration & Resources Performance Report

668

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on progress made towards the achievement of key objectives as set out in the Environment, Regeneration & Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan (CDIP).

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note that the report reflects the progress made by Property Assets & Facilities Management, Environmental & Commercial Services and Regeneration & Planning Services in delivering their key improvement actions and performance targets as detailed in the Environment, Regeneration & Resources CDIP; and
- (2) that further progress reports be submitted to every second meeting of the Committee.

669 Regeneration and Employability – Performance Reporting

669

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the development of the performance reporting framework in relation to Regeneration & Employability services.

Councillors Ahlfeld and Clocherty declared non-financial interests in this matter as Members of Inverclyde Community Development Trust. In addition, Councillor Clocherty declared an interest as a Member of Riverside Inverclyde. They also formed the view that the nature of their interests 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 Committee note the content of the report and the format for future performance reporting.

670 Adopted Inverclyde Local Development Plan 2014: Action Programme

670

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the preparation of an updated Action Programme, setting out how the Council proposes to implement the policies and proposals of the recently adopted Inverclyde Local Development Plan 2014, a copy of which was appended to the report.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note and welcome the adoption of the first Inverclyde Local Development Plan 2014; and

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(2) that the Committee note the contents of the report and approve the accompanying Action Programme.

671 Renfrewshire Local Development Plan Adoption 671

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the adoption of the Renfrewshire Local Development Plan and the decision of Scottish Ministers to reject the Reporters' recommendations that it would be inappropriate, at this stage, to designate Braehead a town centre in the Local Development Plan.

Decided: that the Committee note the decision of the Scottish Ministers to confirm Renfrewshire Council's decision to adopt their Local Development Plan, contrary to the Reporters' recommendation on Braehead, and that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to write to the Chief Planner expressing disappointment that Scottish Ministers did not recognise the decision of their Independent Reporters.

672 National Planning Framework 3 and Revised Scottish Planning Policy 2014 672

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising of changes to planning policy and guidance introduced in June 2014 with the publication of National Planning Framework 3 and the revised Scottish Planning Policy 2014.

Decided: that the Committee note the changes to planning policy and guidance in National Planning Framework 3 and the revised Scottish Planning Policy 2014 and the relevance of these documents to planning in Inverclyde.

673 Inverclyde Council's Biodiversity Duty Report 2014 673

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking endorsement for the publication of Inverclyde Council's first Biodiversity Duty Report 2014 as required under the Wildlife and Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2011.

Decided: that the Committee note the content of the report and in particular the proposals outlined in section 5 and, on that basis, delegate authority to the Head of Regeneration & Planning to prepare and publish Inverclyde Council's first Biodiversity Duty Report 2014, no later than 19 December 2014, as required under the Wildlife and Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2011.

674 Scottish Government Consultation on Planning Controls, Pay Day Lending and Betting Offices 674

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) on the Scottish Government's consultation on changes to planning legislation to address concerns about the levels of problem gambling and personal indebtedness by controlling the prevalence of betting shops and premises selling high interest short term loans and (2) seeking approval of the response outlined in the report.

Decided: that the Committee approve the consultation response outlined in the report.

675 Port Glasgow Strategic Regeneration Project Update

675

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) updating the Committee on the progress relating to the development of regeneration projects within Port Glasgow and (2) seeking approval in principle of the Port Glasgow Regeneration Strategy and Masterplan.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note progress to date and that further progress reports will be submitted for Members' information and consideration in due course;
- (2) that the Committee agree to adopt in principle the Port Glasgow Regeneration Strategy and Masterplan and that it form the basis to guide future investment within Port Glasgow as funding becomes available;
- (3) that it be noted the Port Glasgow Regeneration Strategy and Masterplan will be reported back to the various stakeholders which participated in the Charrette;
- (4) that the priority projects referred to in paragraph 5.5 of the report be adopted and that these projects be progressed in collaboration with Riverside Inverclyde as funds become available, with further reports being submitted for Members' consideration; and
- (5) that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to establish a Port Glasgow Town Centre Regeneration Forum and to put in place appropriate meeting and related support arrangements.

676 Gourock Pier and Railhead Development – Progress Report

676

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) updating the Committee on the progress regarding the redevelopment of the Gourock Pier and Railhead Development area and (2) seeking approval of a number of recommendations.

Arising from discussion the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advised it was envisaged the start date for the works would be around mid-November 2014 however he undertook to keep Members informed of any changes due to any further delay in completion of the licence agreements with Network Rail.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the content of the report;
- (2) that approval be given to the inclusion of the renewal of the Kempock Street footpath and blink paving and additional signage in the contract;
- (3) that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to explore opportunities to maximise parking provision and implement works for increased car parking on Shore Street, subject to statutory approvals, to be funded from the Road Asset Management Plan and from unused project funds which are not required for the main contract; and
- (4) that an undertaking be provided to Riverside Inverclyde to cover any additional project costs in the event that these cannot be contained within the current allocation.

677 Development of Gourock Municipal Buildings – Progress Report

677

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) on the progress regarding the redevelopment of Gourock Municipal Buildings and (2) seeking approval for a range of proposals.

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Decided:

(1) that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources in consultation with the Head of Finance and the Head of Legal & Property Services to:-

(a) conclude agreements to lease the Gourock Municipal Buildings to Riverside Inverclyde Property Holdings Company for the purposes of conversion to a small business centre at a rent to be determined by the Property Assets Manager/District Valuer;

(b) in collaboration with Riverside Inverclyde Property Holdings Company, develop and negotiate appropriate sub-lease agreements with prospective tenants; and

(c) hold back the leasing of the two larger rooms (units 1 and 2) on the upper floor for a period for 12 months from the date of the meeting to allow local community groups to establish a feasible community end use; and

(2) that approval be given to the use of the funding of £300,000 allocated within the Office Rationalisation Funding Model to enable the premises to be converted by Riverside Inverclyde.

678 Cemeteries Management Rules**678**

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval of the draft Cemeteries Management Rules appended to the report prior to statutory public consultation.

Decided:

(1) that approval be given to the draft Cemeteries Management Rules appended to the report for the purposes of statutory public consultation; and

(2) that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services be authorised to implement the statutory public consultation procedure in connection with the proposed Management Rules.

679 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014**679**

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending the making of a Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for implementation of the Order.

680 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Gourock Waterfront (Waiting Restrictions) Order 2014**680**

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending the making of a Traffic Regulation Order - Gourock Waterfront (Waiting Restrictions) Order 2014.

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Decided: that the Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the Traffic Regulation Order - Gourrock Waterfront (Waiting Restrictions) Order 2014 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for implementation of the Order.

681 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Gordon Street, Greenock (One Way Only) Order 2014 681

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending the making of a Traffic Regulation Order - Gordon Street, Greenock (One Way Only) Order 2014.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the Traffic Regulation Order - Gordon Street, Greenock (One Way Only) Order 2014 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for implementation of the Order.

682 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Canmore Crescent, Greenock (One Way Only) Order 2014 682

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending the making of a Traffic Regulation Order - Canmore Crescent, Greenock (One Way Only) Order 2014.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the Traffic Regulation Order - Canmore Crescent, Greenock (One Way Only) Order 2014 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for implementation of the Order.

683 Decriminalised Parking Enforcement and Associated Traffic Regulation Orders Update 683

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) providing an update on the introduction of Decriminalised Parking Enforcement within Greenock Town Centre and (2) recommending variations to the Inner Greenock, Outer Greenock and Off Street Parking Traffic Regulation Orders, together with addendum providing further information and setting out amended recommendations.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report and the addendum;
- (2) that Officers commence formal consultations at the earliest opportunity on the following variations:-
 - (a) to increase the duration of all disc operated on street parking within inner Greenock to two hours;
 - (b) to reduce the parking restriction period to Monday – Friday (8am – 6pm), for both on and off street parking;
 - (c) to remove Terrace Road, West Stewart Street (from Jamaica Street to Kelly Street), Jamaica Street (from West Stewart Street to Union Street), Station Avenue, unnamed streets off Cathcart Street serving 51 – 57 Cathcart Buildings and 59 – 67 Cathcart Buildings from the parking disc operation area;

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(3) that, in order to effect an immediate improvement in the utilisation of available parking spaces, there be an informal suspension from Monday 3 November 2014 of parking disc enforcement in the on street parking areas detailed in 2(c) above;

(4) that for the four Saturdays in December 2014 there be an informal suspension of parking disc enforcement and all parking charges in the Council owned off street car parks to operate free all day parking in order to encourage shopping over this busy period for traders;

(5) that a special meeting of the Environment & Regeneration Committee be called to deal with any report relating to the potential variation orders at the earliest opportunity;

(6) that a report be submitted to the meeting of the Committee scheduled to be held on 5 March 2015 on options for the introduction of a residents' parking scheme for Greenock town centre; and

(7) that Officers contact the Oak Mall Shopping Centre requesting that they suspend parking charges in the car parks owned by them to operate free all day parking for the four Saturdays in December 2014 in order to encourage shopping over this busy period for traders.

684 Decriminalised Parking Enforcement – Notice of Motion by Councillor MacLeod 684

Following consideration of the previous item of business, it was agreed that this item be withdrawn.

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 paragraphs 2, 6 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

685 Non Operational Property Portfolio Information 685
Scheme of Delegation Register

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing information relative to non-operational property for the period March to September 2014.

Decided: that the Committee note the terms of the report.

686 Property Assets Management Report 686

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on activities and proposals for the management of the Council's property assets. Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the actions recommended in respect of (1) Lady Octavia Workshop and (2) the former Redholm Children's Home at Alderwood Road, Port Glasgow, all as detailed in the appendix.

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Education and Communities Committee

Tuesday 4 November 2014 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Brennan, MacLeod (for Brooks), Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, Loughran, McCabe, McColgan, McEleny, Jones, Shepherd and Wilson, Mr T Macdougall, 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, Mr I Cameron (for Head of Finance), Ms G Murphy (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Community Safety and Wellbeing Manager, Lead Officer, Community Learning & Development, Head of Education, Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy, School Estate Manager, Corporate Communications Manager and Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications).

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

687 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 687

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Brooks with Councillor MacLeod substituting.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 4 (Clune Park Regeneration Plan Progress Report) – Councillor Wilson.
 Agenda Item 7 (Ravensraig Sports Barn – Community Consultation) – Councillors Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, MacLeod and McColgan.
 Agenda Item 15 (Kilmacolm Primary School Project Options) – Councillor McCabe.

688 Communities 2014/15 Revenue Budget Report - Period 5 to 31 August 2014 688

There was submitted a report by the Head of Finance and Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the 2014/15 Communities Revenue Budget position as at Period 5 to 31 August 2014.

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

Decided: that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £144,000 in the 2014/15 Communities Revenue Budget as at Period 5 to 31 August 2014.

689 Communities Capital Programme 2014 to 2016/17 - Progress 689

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

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

Decided:

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- (1) that the Committee note the progress of the specific projects detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; and
- (2) that approval be given to the allocation of funding from the Capital Allowance for the Watt Complex project to deal with the rot works as outlined in section 6 of the report.

690 Clune Park Regeneration Plan 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 item 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 progress to date in respect of the Clune Park Area Regeneration Plan and agree that further progress updates be submitted to future meetings of the Committee; and
- (2) that approval be given to the criteria for assessing well maintained payments as outlined in paragraph 6.4 of the report.

691 Enhancing Community Engagement

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) advising the Committee of the findings and proposals arising from a series of workshops which took place in March 2014 involving Officers, Elected Members and Community Organisations and (2) seeking approval for implementation plans to progress actions with a view to enhancing community engagement.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the findings and proposals arising from the series of workshops which took place in March 2014; and
- (2) that approval be given to the implementation plans to progress actions with a view to enhancing community engagement, as set out in the report.

692 Private Sector Housing – Repair and Maintenance Strategy

692

There was submitted a report by the Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities seeking approval for a revised strategy to tackle housing disrepair by ensuring that owners take reasonable steps to secure the repair and maintenance of private housing in Inverclyde.

Decided: that approval be given to the proposal to withdraw from carrying out repair works to private property in default of statutory notices, except where there is a statutory duty on the Council to do so, or otherwise in exceptional circumstances as outlined in section 5 of the report.

693 Ravenscraig Sports Barn – Community Consultation

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the results of the community consultation on the future use of Ravenscraig Sports Barn.

Councillors Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, MacLeod and McColgan declared non-financial interests in this item as Members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure. Each Member formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did

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not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision making process.

Decided:

- (1) that the results of the community consultation on the future development of Ravenscraig Sports Barn be noted; and
- (2) that delegated authority be granted to the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer to progress the project in partnership with Inverclyde Leisure and to submit a final report to the Committee in due course.

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.

694 Service of Closing Order under the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987 694

There was submitted a report by the Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities advising of the use of delegated authority to make a Closing Order on the ground floor, first left flat (0/1), 22 Prospecthill Street, Greenock PA15 4DL.

Decided: that the Committee note the use of delegated authority by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development to make a Closing Order in respect of the ground floor first left flat (0/1) at 22 Prospecthill Street, Greenock PA15 4DL.

The Committee commenced consideration of the Education items of business at 4.45pm with Mr Macdougall, Rev Donaldson, Father McMahon, Mr Thomson and Mr Tracey joining the meeting.

695 Education Scotland Report on St Patrick's Primary School 695

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the results of the Education Scotland external evaluation of St Patrick's Primary School, Greenock. The report advised that in the Indicators of Quality, five aspects of the school had been judged to be "good".

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the Education Scotland inspection report on St Patrick's Primary School; and
- (2) that the Committee's appreciation be conveyed to all staff, pupils and parents for the work undertaken to achieve the evaluation.

696 Education 2014/15 Revenue Budget - Period 5 to 31 August 2014 696

There was submitted a report by the Head of Finance and Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the position of the 2014/15 Education Revenue Budget as at Period 5 to 31 August 2014.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the projected underspend of £91,000 in the Education Revenue Budget as at Period 5 to 31 August 2014; and
- (2) that the Committee approve the virement of £50,000 as detailed in Appendix 4 of the report.

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697 Education Capital Programme 2014-2016/17 – Progress**697**

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

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the progress of the specific projects detailed in Appendix 1 of the report;
- (2) that the Committee note the tender return position and savings exercise carried out in respect of the St Ninian's Primary School multi-use games area project and approve (a) utilisation of £55,000 from the £1.1m primary school multi-use games area budget and (b) acceptance of the adjusted lowest acceptable tender, subject to planning approval being granted;
- (3) that approval be given to progress the Kilmacolm Primary School multi-use games area as part of the main refurbishment project as outlined in sections 8.1 and 9.1 of the report;
- (4) that approval be given to the issue of tenders for the primary school multi-use games area as outlined in section 10.1 of the report and that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to accept the lowest acceptable tender provided the cost is within the budget allocation for the project; and
- (5) that the Committee note the review of the School Estate Funding Model which is a separate item on the agenda.

698 Development of IYouthzones in Gourock and Port Glasgow**698**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on proposals for the development of IYouthzones in Gourock and Port Glasgow.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the progress made in establishing IYouthzone facilities in Gourock and Port Glasgow;
- (2) that approval be given to the projected expenditure of earmarked reserves;
- (3) that approval be given to the location of the IYouthzones in the former Gamble Nursery, King Street, Gourock and the former library building, Dubbs Place, Port Glasgow; and
- (4) that it be noted that an additional report on the sustainability of the IYouthzones will be prepared for consideration as part of the budget process.

699 Review of School Estate Funding Model 2014**699**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) on the current position of the School Estate Funding Model and (2) seeking approval of the revised Model.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the revised School Estate Funding Model and the associated changes/revisions highlighted in sections 4 and 5 of the report;
- (2) that the Committee note that the financial implications of the revised Model will be built into the Council's revised financial strategy due to be submitted to the Council in December 2014; and
- (3) that it be remitted to the appropriate Officers to examine, as part of the budget

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process, the potential for bringing forward the refurbishment projects at Moorfoot and St Ninian's Primary Schools.

Councillor Wilson left the meeting at this juncture.

700 Amendments to the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 700

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an overview of the key points set out in the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010.

Decided: that the Committee note the key points set out in the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010.

701 Free School Meals P1 – P3 Pupils 701

There was submitted amended report by the Head of Education (1) summarising the proposed national framework for delivery of free school meals to P1 - P3 pupils and (2) outlining the proposed local implementation of this policy.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the report and the work being carried out to prepare for the implementation of the policy in local primary schools; and
- (2) that a report providing an update on the experience of implementing the policy be submitted to the Committee in March 2015.

702 Kilmacolm Primary School - Project Options 702

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of options for Kilmacolm Primary School in connection with the proposed refurbishment project which is programmed to commence in 2015.

Councillor McCabe declared a non-financial interest in this item as a parent of a pupil attending Kilmacolm Primary School. 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 results of the consultation exercise in respect of options for the progression of the Kilmacolm Primary School refurbishment project;
- (2) that it be agreed to utilise the former St Stephen's High School for the decant of Kilmacolm Primary School for the duration of the planned major refurbishment works; and
- (3) that it be agreed to use temporary modular accommodation within the grounds of Kilmacolm Primary School for the temporary decant of Kilmacolm Nursery class for the duration of the planned major refurbishment works.

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703 Remit from Policy & Resources Committee**703**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on a remit from the Policy & Resources Committee of 30 September 2014 relative to options to achieve a saving of £20,000 from the Education Budget as part of the 2015/16 budget proposals.

Decided: that approval be given to Option 1 (Supported Study Budget) as the proposed £20,000 saving.

704 Items for Noting**704**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing information, for noting, on (1) Professional Update, (2) Adult Learning in Scotland: Statement of Ambition, (3) Our Ambitions for Improving the Life Chances of Young People in Scotland: National Youth Work Strategy 2014 – 2019, (4) Schools Sport Competition, (5) National School Sports Awards and (6) Update on 600 Hours of Early Learning and Childcare.

Noted

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 and 8 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

705 Education Capital Programme 2014 - 2016/17 – Progress - Addendum**705**

There was submitted addendum to the Education Capital Programme 2014 – 2016/17 progress report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and Head of Finance providing an update on the St John's Primary School project.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note and approve the proposed additional expenditure on the St John's Primary School project;
- (2) that approval be given to the utilisation of the Capital Programme contingency allowance and Children and Young People Bill allocation to address the over expenditure as detailed in the report; and
- (3) that approval be given to the acceptance of the tender submitted by Central Building Contractors Limited in the sum of £2.796m including all associated direct costs and for the issue of a formal letter of acceptance by the Head of Legal & Property Services.

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Planning Board

Wednesday 5 November 2014 at 3 pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, Brennan (for McColgan), McIlwee, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

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

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

706 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 706

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors McColgan and Nelson, with Councillor Brennan substituting for Councillor McColgan. Councillor Wilson declared an interest in agenda item 4 (Pre-Determination Hearing).

707 PLANNING APPLICATION 707

There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning on an application by Inverclyde Council for new multi use games areas on an existing blaes pitch with associated fencing, equipment container, floodlighting and drainage at St Ninian's Primary School, Staffa Street, Gourrock (14/0285/IC).

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

- (1) that the existing parking spaces within the school grounds shall be available to users of approved games outwith normal school hours, to ensure the provision of adequate on site parking facilities;
- (2) that the use of the approved games area shall not take place outwith the hours of 8 am to 9 pm on Mondays to Fridays and 8 am to 6 pm at weekends, to ensure that the use of the facility does not generate noise disturbance to nearby residents when ambient noise levels are lowest;
- (3) that the floodlights hereby permitted shall be baffled in order that the threshold vertical luminance at the nearest property does not exceed 5 lux, to ensure that the floodlights do not produce an unacceptable level of light pollution and disturbance to nearby residents;
- (4) that the development shall not commence until an environmental investigation and risk assessment, including any necessary remediation strategy with timescale for implementation, of all pollutant linkages 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;
- (5) 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

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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;

(6) 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; and

(7) that the use of the development shall not commence until the applicant has submitted a completion report for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority detailing all fill or landscaping material imported onto the site. This report shall contain information of the materials source, volume, intended use and verification of chemical quality (including soil-leachate and organic content etc.) with plans delineating placement and thickness, to protect receptors from the harmful effects of imported contamination.

708 PLANNING APPEAL – 22 KILBLAIN STREET, GREENOCK

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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 2 April 2014 to refuse planning permission for the change of use from Class 1 (Laundrette) to Class 2 (Bookmaker) together with the installation of a new shop front, aerial and associated alterations at 22 Kilblain Street, Greenock (14/0023/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 dismiss the appeal.

Noted

709 PLANNING APPEAL – 48-50 PRINCES STREET, PORT GLASGOW

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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 4 December 2013 to refuse planning permission for the change of use to convenience store and hot food takeaway at 48-50 Princes Street, Port Glasgow (13/0215/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 uphold the appeal and grant planning permission subject to conditions. The Reporter also awarded the expenses of the appeal against the Council.

Noted

710 PRE-DETERMINATION HEARING

710

Councillor Wilson declared a non-financial interest in this matter as the Chair of a group opposing the development of a wind farm on the application site and took no part in its consideration or decision. Councillor Brooks assumed the Chair.

Councillor Campbell-Sturgess left the meeting at this juncture.

The meeting adjourned at 3.20 pm and resumed at 3.30 pm.

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning on an application by Inverclyde Windfarm Ltd for erection of 8 wind turbines, the construction of access tracks and ancillary development (including crane hardstandings, cabling, transformers and culverts), the formation of a borrow pit, the erection of a sub-station and control building, the formation of a car park and the erection of temporary construction compounds at land north and east of Corlic Hill, Greenock (13/0199/IC).

The Chair referred to the Pre-Determination Hearing Procedure included with the agenda papers, which, for the benefit of those present, Mr Kerr read aloud.

The Chair then invited the applicant, objectors and consultees who had indicated they wish to address the Board to speak and the Board heard presentations from:-

(a) Mr Alan Baker on behalf of 2020 Renewables Limited (applicant) – issues raised: the safe operation of Glasgow Airport; the visual impact and the impact of the proposal on Scheduled National Monuments and the positive economic benefits arising from the proposals;

(b) Mr Stephen Hampson on behalf of Kilmacolm Community Council (objector) - issues raised: the potential adverse visual impact; the importance of the architectural sites forming part of the application site; the close proximity of the proposal to residential areas and conflict with national, regional and local planning policies;

(c) Mr Nicol Cameron on behalf of Kilmacolm Civic Trust (objector) – issues raised: government policy; inappropriate location of the development within the greenbelt and countryside; the proximity of turbines to and the impact on rural housing and the environment and shadow and blade movement from the turbines;

(d) Ms Evelina Longworth (objector) – issues raised: the proximity of the turbines to her home; conflict with national, strategic and local planning guidelines; noise; shadow flicker; visual impact; house values; depopulation; the divisive nature of the community benefits and the extent of public subsidy;

(e) Mr Kenny McDonald (objector) – issues raised: the impact on the countryside; visual impact; impact on recreation; proximity of turbines to housing; impact on private water supplies; pollution; noise and house prices;

(f) Mr Robert Maund, Ms Jannis Low and Mr Nigel Willis on behalf of Save Our Regional Park (objector) – issues raised: the planning history of the Regional Park and the site; the number and scale of wind turbines in the vicinity of Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park; regional and local planning policy; the use of Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park as an education asset and contribution to lifelong learning; conservation of the Regional Park for future generations; the health benefits associated with the Park; the local authority's duty to protect water supplies and archaeological impacts;

(g) Mr David Roach on behalf of Inverclyde Ramblers (objector) – issues raised: vistas from Corlic Hill and archeological issues;

(h) Mr Ross Nimmo on behalf of Glasgow Airport Limited (consultee) – issues raised: the potential impact on the safe and efficient operation of airspace and the absence of mitigation solutions in relation to the application site; and

(i) Mr Alan Brown on behalf of Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park (consultee) – issues raised: landscape and visual impact; ecological impact and tourism and recreation concerns.

The meeting was adjourned at 4.55 pm and reconvened at 4.58 pm.

The Head of Regeneration & Planning then presented his report and recommendations to the Board following which Mr Baker responded to matters raised by the objectors and consultees in their presentations relating to aviation, residential amenity at Luss Place, water supplies, Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park and planning policy.

Members then asked a number of questions which were answered by Mr Baker, assisted by Mr Alasdair MacLeod with the Board's agreement, Mr Nimmo and the Head

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of Regeneration & Planning.

Decided: that the Planning Board recommend to the Inverclyde Council that planning permission be refused on the following grounds:-

- (1) as the proposed wind farm may adversely impact on the safe operation of Glasgow Airport and en-route traffic to the detriment of public safety;
- (2) as it is contrary to Policies ENV1, criterion (b)(i) and ENV2, criterion (i) of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan as it will adversely impact on visual amenity and, in the case of the latter, is not capable of satisfactory mitigation;
- (3) as it is contrary to Policies ENV2, criterion (f) and INF1, criterion (b) of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan as it will adversely impact on landscape character;
- (4) as it is contrary to Policy INF1, criterion (c) of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan as it will adversely impact upon neighbouring settlements in terms of their visual outlook and enjoyment of the landscape;
- (5) as it is contrary to Policy INF1, criterion (d) of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan as it will adversely impact on the enjoyment of the landscape by recreational users of Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park;
- (6) as it is contrary to Policies INF1, criterion (e), ENV2, criterion (e) and HER6 of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan in that the proposal will have an adverse impact on the setting of the scheduled monument of Lurg Moor Roman Fortlet and Roman Road; and
- (7) as the visual impact and impact on landscape character of the proposed development would also be contrary to Scottish Natural Heritage guidance on “Siting and Designing Wind Farms in the Landscape”, Scottish Government online guidance “Onshore Wind Turbines” and the Clyde Valley Strategic Development Plan Authority guidance “Landscape Capacity Study for Wind Turbine Development in Glasgow and the Clyde Valley”.

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 12 NOVEMBER 2014

General Purposes Board**Wednesday 12 November 2014 at 3.00pm**

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Inspector G Kirkwood, Police Scotland.

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

711 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest**711**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Brooks, Grieve, McColgan and McIlwee with Provost Moran substituting on behalf of Councillor McColgan.

Councillor Dorrian declared a financial interest in Agenda Item 2 (Consideration of Withdrawal of Multi-Access General Hire Taxi Licence (P229) Prinnsias McGhee).

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.

Councillor Dorrian declared a financial interest in this item as he is known to the applicant in a working capacity which precluded his continued presence in the Chamber and his participation in the decision making process. Councillor Dorrian vacated the Chair and left the meeting. Councillor Ahlfeld assumed the Chair.

712 Consideration of Withdrawal of Multi-Access General Hire Taxi Licence (P229) Prinnsias McGhee**712**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services requesting the Board to consider whether or not Mr McGhee's Multi-Access General Hire Taxi Licence should be re-instated following the vehicle not being operational after the 3 month period allocated as per the Board's Policy.

Mr C Lamb was present representing the applicant together with Mr McCafferty and Mr McGhee.

Mr Douglas advised the Board on the background of the report and intimated that an e-mail had been submitted by Mr McGhee dated 7 November 2014 which was circulated to Members.

The Board heard Mr Lamb and Mr McCafferty in support of the licence. Mr Lamb provided the Licence Vehicle Inspection Report which was circulated to Members.

Following a full discussion, Councillor Campbell-Sturgess moved refusal to re-instate the licence, as an amendment Provost Moran moved to grant re-instatement of licence on good cause shown. On a vote, two Members voted for the amendment and five

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Members for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided: refuse re-instatement of licence.

Councillor Dorrian returned to the meeting and resumed the Chair at the conclusion of this item.

713 Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence: James Moore 713

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services requesting consideration of suspension of Mr Moore's Taxi Driver's Licence which expires on 31 May 2015 following a letter submitted by Police Scotland dated 19 September 2014.

Mr Moore was present with his representative Mr Drummond.

The Board heard Inspector Kirkwood in support of the Chief Constable's submissions and Mr Drummond in support of his client's licence.

Following discussion the Board unanimously agreed to continue consideration to the January 2015 meeting of the Board to allow pending matters to be concluded.

Decided: continue consideration to the January 2015 meeting of the Board.

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 18 NOVEMBER 2014

Policy & Resources Committee

Tuesday 18 November 2014 at 3pm

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

Chair: Councillor McCabe presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Legal & Property Services, Head of Education, Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy, Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Head of Organisational Development, HR & Communications, Corporate Procurement Manager, Business Support Executive and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

714 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 714

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Ahlfeld, MacLeod, with Councillor Campbell-Sturgess substituting and Nelson, with Councillor Brooks substituting.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 8 (Annual Update in respect of Governance of External Organisations) – Councillors Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, McCabe, McEleny, McIlwee, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Agenda Item 12 (2015/17 Revenue Budget – Update) – Councillor McCabe.

Agenda Item 22 (Ongoing Cover for Vacant Post of Riverside Inverclyde's CEO) – Councillors Clocherty and McCabe.

715 Policy & Resources Capital Programme - (2013/14 – 2015/16) – Progress Report 715

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) providing an update on the status of the projects forming the Policy & Resources Capital Programme 2013/14 – 2015/16 and (2) highlighting the overall financial position.

Decided: that the current position of the 2014/16 Capital Programme and the progress of the specific projects detailed in Appendix 1 be noted.

716 2014/16 Capital Programme 716

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the latest position of the 2014/16 Capital Programme.

Decided: that the Committee note the current position of the 2014/16 Capital Programme and the previous decision that any surplus on the 2014/16 Capital Programme be considered as part of the February 2015 budget process.

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717 Policy & Resources Committee 2014/15 Revenue Budget – Period 6 to 30 September 2014 717

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and Chief Financial Officer on the 2014/15 projected outturn for the Policy & Resources Committee 2014/15 Revenue Budget as at Period 6 to 30 September 2014.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the 2014/15 projected underspend of £1,316,000 in the Policy & Resources Committee Revenue Budget as at Period 6 to 30 September 2014; and
- (2) that the Committee note the projected fund balance of £116,919 for the Common Good Fund.

718 2014/15 General Fund Revenue Budget as at 30 September 2014 718

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) advising the Committee of the position of the General Fund Revenue Budget as at 30 September 2014 and (2) providing an update on the position of the General Fund Reserves and Workstream Savings.

There was also considered with this item, a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a Notice of Motion by Councillor McCabe, countersigned by Councillor McIlwee, relative to the UK Living Wage which had been submitted in terms of Standing Order 22.

Following discussion, Councillor McCabe moved (1) that the Committee note the latest position of the 2014/15 Revenue Budget and General Fund Reserves; (2) that the Committee note the 2013/16 Workstream Savings position; (3) that the Council implement the new UK Living Wage Rate of £7.85 per hour effective from 3 November 2014 with the additional financial cost for 2014/15 being contained within the existing pay inflation allowance or met from the General Reserve Fund and the financial implications for 2015/16 onwards to be addressed as part of the forthcoming budget process; and (4) that representations be made to the UK and Scottish Governments regarding the impact of the cost of living crisis, particularly as it relates to the cost of utilities.

As an amendment to (3) above, Councillor McEleny moved that the Council implement the new UK Living Wage Rate of £7.85 per hour for all Council staff including apprentices effective from 3 November 2014 with the additional financial cost for 2014/15 being contained within the existing pay inflation allowance or met from the General Reserve Fund and the financial implications for 2015/16 onwards to be addressed as part of the forthcoming budget process.

On a vote, 3 Members voted for amendment and 7 for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the latest position of the 2014/15 Revenue Budget and General Fund Reserves;
- (2) that the Committee note the 2013/16 Workstream Savings position;
- (3) that the Council implement the new UK Living Wage Rate of £7.85 per hour effective from 3 November 2014 with the additional financial cost for 2014/15 being contained within the existing pay inflation allowance or met from the General Reserve Fund, and the financial implications for 2015/16 onwards to be addressed as part of the forthcoming budget process; and

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(4) that representations be made to the UK and Scottish Governments regarding the impact of the cost of living crisis particularly as it relates to the cost of utilities.

719 Treasury Management – Mid Year Review Report 2014/15

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer advising the Committee on the operation of the treasury function and its activities at the mid-year of 2014/15 in compliance with the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management with which the Council complies.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the Mid-Year Review Report on Treasury Management for 2014/15;
- (2) that the report be remitted to the Inverclyde Council for approval; and
- (3) that approval be given to procuring treasury advisers services on the basis of a contract for 3 years with the option of a further 1 year extension with procurement by negotiation with the current provider Capita Treasury Solutions Limited subject to the approval of the Chief Financial Officer and the Head of Legal & Property Services and the annual cost not exceeding £22,000.

720 Insurance Fund Position as at 30 September 2014

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the position of the Council's Insurance Fund as at 30 September 2014 and (2) highlighting a number of relevant issues.

Decided: that the Committee note the report and the continued financial benefits which the Council is achieving from the current Insurance Strategy.

721 Annual Update in respect of the Governance of External Organisations

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) providing the annual update in respect of the governance of external organisations and (2) assessing performance against the Audit Commission's report, "Arm's Length External Organisations (ALEOs) Are You Getting it Right?"

The following Members declared a non-financial interest in this item:

Councillor Campbell-Sturgess as a Board Member of Inverclyde Leisure.

Councillor Clocherty as a Board Member of Inverclyde Community Development Trust, Inverclyde Leisure and Riverside Inverclyde.

Councillor McCabe as a Board Member of Riverside Inverclyde, Kilmacolm New Community Centre Co Limited and River Clyde Homes.

Councillor McEleny as a Board Member of River Clyde Homes.

Councillor McIlwee as a Board Member of River Clyde Homes and a Member of Inverclyde Association for Mental Health.

Councillor Rebecchi as a Board Member of Inverclyde Community Development Trust.

Councillor Wilson as a Board Member of Riverside Inverclyde and Kilmacolm New Community Centre Co Limited and a Member of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

All of the 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:

- (1) that the Committee note the 2014 performance in respect of the governance of external organisations as shown in Appendix 1 to the report;
- (2) that the Committee approve the adoption of the action plan for the relevant organisations detailed in Appendix 4; and
- (3) that the Committee approve the list of external organisations which will form part of the framework for 2015 as shown in Appendix 3.

722 Welfare Reforms Update**722**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership (1) on various aspects of the Welfare Reform agenda and (2) seeking Committee decisions as appropriate.

Following discussion, Councillor McCabe moved (1) that the report be noted; (2) that the Council Leader as Chair of the Alliance Board write to the Scottish Government seeking support to continue funding those projects set up in response to the Welfare Reform changes; (3) that approval be given to the two requests set out in Section 10 of the report for funding from the unallocated Welfare Reforms revenue budget; (4) that it be noted that a further update will be submitted to the Committee at its February 2015 meeting; and (5) that representations be made to the UK Government to delay implementation of Universal Credit in Inverclyde until the Smith Commission has concluded its deliberations and additional powers have been granted to the Scottish Government.

As an amendment, Councillor Wilson moved that no action be taken in relation to the proposal set out in (5) above. On a vote, 1 Member voted for the amendment and 9 for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that the report be noted;
- (2) that the Council Leader as Chair of the Alliance Board write to the Scottish Government seeking support to continue funding those projects set up in response to the Welfare Reform changes;
- (3) that approval be given to the two requests set out in Section 10 of the report for funding from the unallocated Welfare Reforms revenue budget;
- (4) that it be noted that a further update will be submitted to the Committee at its February 2015 meeting; and
- (5) that representations be made to the UK Government to delay implementation of Universal Credit in Inverclyde until the Smith Commission has concluded its deliberations and additional powers have been granted to the Scottish Government.

723 Corporate Performance Report**723**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy providing an update on the achievement of key objectives in the Education, Communities and Organisational Development Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan 2013/16 and the Environment, Regeneration & Resources Corporate Director Improvement Plan 2013/16.

Decided:

- (1) that the performance information outlined in the report be noted; and
- (2) that a fourth progress report be submitted to the meeting of the Committee on 24 March 2015.

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724 Statutory and Key Performance Indicators Annual Report 2013/14

724

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy on the Council's Statutory Performance Indicator return which details the progress made in 2013/14 towards the achievement of performance indicator targets.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the performance information outlined in the report;
- (2) that it be agreed that the information contained in the appendix be used to update the performance pages on the Council's website; and
- (3) that it be noted that a further report will be submitted regarding the 2013/14 Local Government Benchmarking Framework Indicators once these are published.

725 2015/17 Revenue Budget - Update

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) providing the Committee with an update on the 2015/17 Revenue Budget and (2) advising of the £10m savings options produced by the Corporate Management Team which are recommended for wider consultation.

Councillor McCabe declared a non-financial interest in this item as a close relative of a person potentially affected by the proposals. 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 contents of the letter from the Cabinet Secretary, Mr John Swinney, and note that a decision on whether to comply with these conditions will be required as part of the consideration of the overall Budget in February 2015;
- (2) that the Committee note the savings proposals in Appendix 2 produced by the Corporate Management Team and agree that these savings form part of the overall budget consultation exercise which is due to commence later in the month;
- (3) that the Committee note that targeted voluntary severance trawls will take place where required in order to deliver the approved savings; and
- (4) that it be agreed that any decision in respect of the surplus General Fund Reserves projected as at 31 March 2016 be taken as part of the overall budget decision in February 2015.

726 Revenue Budget Pressures - 2015/17

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) highlighting budget pressures identified by the Corporate Management Team for the revenue budget period 2015/17 and (2) seeking approval to include these proposals within the overall budget consultation exercise.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the 2015/17 budget pressures outlined in Appendix 2;
- (2) that it be agreed that the pressures contained in the report form part of the budget consultation exercise and that a final decision in respect of these budget pressures be taken at the February 2015 meeting of the Council; and
- (3) that the budget pressures be referred to the Members' Budget Working Group.

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727 Draft 2015/18 Capital Programme**727**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer outlining proposals for the 2015/18 Capital Programme for consideration as part of the overall budget process.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the proposed draft Capital Programme for 2015/18 as outlined in Appendix 1;
- (2) that it be agreed that the draft Capital Programme be increased in respect of the £9.2m extra Roads Asset Management Plan expenditure, £2m Property Assets expenditure and allocating £250,000 to feasibility studies, pre-contract work;
- (3) that it be agreed that the project highlighted in Section 6 (Kirn Drive Depot Civic Amenity Site Safety Improvements) be put on hold pending decisions due to be taken in February 2015 as part of the overall budget;
- (4) that it be agreed that the 2015/18 Capital Programme, adjusted for the decisions above, form part of the overall budget consultation;
- (5) that final decisions in respect of the 2015/18 Capital Programme, including the use of any surplus resources, be taken at the Council meeting on 19 February 2015; and
- (6) that the proposals be referred to the Members' Budget Working Group.

728 Budget Consultation and Communication Plan**728**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development requesting the Committee to agree the consultation and communication plan for the budget proposals 2015/17 based on the proposed options as agreed earlier as part of the 2015/17 budget strategy. There was circulated to the Committee, paper providing details of budget community presentations.

Decided: that the Committee approve the consultation programme and timeline outlined in Section 5 and Appendix 1 of the report and the budget community presentations detailed in the additional paper.

729 Charging Workstream**729**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer advising the Committee of the progress made by the Charging Workstream Officer Working Group in producing a Council Charging Policy and in identifying options to meet the required workstream target of £470,000 as part of the 2015/16 budget.

Decided:

- (1) that it be agreed that the proposals in Appendices 1 and 2 of the report form part of the 2015/17 budget consultation;
- (2) that it be noted that a decision on how to address the 2015/16 saving of £470,000 will be required at the February 2015 budget meeting;
- (3) that the current position of the draft Charging Policy document be noted; and
- (4) that the matter be referred to the Members' Budget Working Group.

Councillor Wilson left the meeting at this juncture.

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| 730 | Contract Awards – 1 April 2014 to 30 September 2014 | 730 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources advising the Committee of contracts awarded for the supply of goods and materials, provision of services and execution of works during the period 1 April 2014 to 30 September 2014.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the contracts awarded by the Council during the period 1 April 2014 to 30 September 2014; and</p> <p>(2) that statistics on the award of contracts by the Council to local companies be submitted to the Committee.</p> | |
| 731 | 2014 Procurement Capability Assessment and E-Tendering | 731 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) seeking approval to adopt e-tendering and to amend the Contract Standing Orders and (2) providing an update on the latest Procurement Capability Assessment.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that approval be given to the changes to the Contract Standing Orders set out in Appendix 1 to the report; and</p> <p>(2) that the Procurement Capability Assessment 2014 score be noted.</p> | |
| 732 | Participation in the Procurement for a Housing Framework Agreement for the Provision of the Council Tax Bill Payment Collection Service | 732 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources requesting Committee approval to participate in the Procurement for a Housing Framework Agreement for the provision of the Council Tax Bill Payment Collection Service.</p> <p>Decided: that approval be giving to participate in the Procurement for a Housing Framework in accordance with Contract Stranding Order 12.1.</p> | |
| 733 | Purchase of Commemorative World War 1 Benches | 733 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for the purchase of 6 World War 1 memorial benches to be sited beside or near the cenotaphs in the towns and villages of Inverclyde.</p> <p>Decided: that approval be given to the purchase of 6 World War 1 memorial benches as detailed in the report, to be funded from the Common Good Fund.</p> | |
| 734 | Disasters Emergency Appeal in Scotland: Ebola Appeal – Request by Councillor McCabe | 734 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services advising of a request received from Councillor McCabe that the Committee consider supporting the Disasters Emergency Appeal (DEC) in Scotland Ebola Appeal by means of financial donation and / or promotional activity.</p> | |

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Decided: that it be agreed to provide £10,000 to the Disasters Emergency Appeal in Scotland Ebola Appeal and that this be supported by promotional activity.

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 ground 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)
Ongoing Cover for Vacant Post of Riverside Inverclyde's Chief Executive Officer	1
Holiday Pay	12

735 Ongoing Cover for Vacant Post of Riverside Inverclyde's Chief Executive Officer 735

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive (1) providing an update on the outcome of the recruitment process for a replacement for Riverside Inverclyde's (ri's) Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and (2) outlining a proposal to fill the position. Councillors Clocherty and McCabe declared a non-financial interest in this item as Members of the Board of Riverside Inverclyde. 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:

- (1) that the Committee note the excellent work completed by Mr Aubrey Fawcett, Mr Alan Puckrin, Ms Jan Buchanan and Mr Matt Thomson on an interim basis;
- (2) that the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources be allocated the additional responsibility of ri's Chief Executive Officer up to no later than March 2017;
- (3) that the Chief Executive establish an appropriate protocol in consultation with the ri Board to satisfy the requirement of the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) with respect to the independence of the CEO role when implementing ri Board decisions;
- (4) that the Accountable Officer duties for ri be transferred to the Council's Chief Executive; and
- (5) that the Chief Executive review and report on the effectiveness of the management arrangements in summer 2015.

736 Holiday Pay 736

There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, HR & Communications seeking approval to implement actions in response to recent employment law judgements which potentially have significant financial implications for the Council.

Decided: that approval be given to the actions contained within section 5 of the report.

LOCAL REVIEW BODY – 3 DECEMBER 2014

Local Review BodyWednesday 3 December 2014 at 4 pm

Present: Councillors Dorrian, Loughran, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

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

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

737 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 737

No apologies or declarations of interest were intimated.

738 CONTINUED PLANNING APPLICATION FOR REVIEW 738

**Change of use of garage to a garage and car valeting operation together with the siting of a hot food van:
Sunnybank Garage, Glasgow Road, Port Glasgow (13/0336/IC)**

It was noted that this application for review had been withdrawn.

739 PLANNING APPLICATION FOR REVIEW 739

**Erection of a detached garage, partial re-roofing of house and erection of a rear lean-to shed:
36 Peace Avenue, Quarriers Village (14/0176/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the erection of a detached garage, partial re-roofing of house and erection of a rear lean-to shed at 36 Peace Avenue, Quarriers Village, (14/0176/IC).

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 upheld and that planning permission be granted subject to the condition that no development shall commence until samples of all external materials 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 ensure a continuity of external finishes in this part of Quarriers Village Conservation Area.

ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 4 DECEMBER 2014

Environment & Regeneration Committee

Thursday 4 December 2014 at 2.30 pm

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

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Legal & Property Services, Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Environmental Services Manager Roads, Transport & Waste Collection, Mr M Higginbotham (Environmental & Commercial Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

740 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 740

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Grieve, with Councillor McEleny substituting, and Councillor McLeod, with Councillor Campbell-Sturgess substituting

No declarations of interest were intimated.

741 The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Inner Greenock) (Controlled Parking Zone) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014, The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 3) Order 2014 and The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014 741

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) on the up-to-date position in respect of the proposed alterations to The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Inner Greenock) (Controlled Parking Zone) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014, The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 3) Order 2014 and The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014 and (2) advising of the necessity, given the statutory timescales, of a subsequent detailed report on the status of any objections and the appropriate procedures being tabled.

Decided: that the report be noted.

742 Decriminalised Parking Enforcement – Consultation on Traffic Regulation Order, The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014 742

There was circulated a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the outcome of the consultation procedure undertaken for The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014 which varies the waiting and loading restrictions in the off-street car parks in Greenock town centre.

Decided: that the Committee recommend to the Inverclyde Council the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial

Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to arrange for implementation of the Order.

743 Decriminalised Parking Enforcement – Consultation on Traffic Regulation Orders, The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Inner Greenock) (Controlled Parking Zone) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014 and The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 3) Order 2014

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There was circulated a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the outcome of the consultation procedure undertaken for The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Inner Greenock) (Controlled Parking Zone) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014 and The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 3) Order 2014 which vary the waiting and loading restrictions in the Inner and Outer Greenock areas of the town centre.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the requirement to hold a public hearing to consider the maintained objections and agree that an independent Reporter be appointed to make recommendations in relation to the following Traffic Regulation Orders:

The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Inner Greenock) (Controlled Parking Zone) (Variation No. 2) Order 2014; and

The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 3) Order 2014

and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to make the necessary arrangements for the public hearing and thereafter that a special meeting of the Committee be convened to consider the Reporter's recommendations; and

(2) that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services to begin the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order to include the length of Jamaica Street from West Stewart Street to Union Street in the Inner Greenock Controlled Parking Zone and the variation of the on-street limited waiting restriction on both sides of Jamaica Street (from Union Street to West Stewart Street) so as to increase the on-street limited waiting period to a maximum of 2 hours.