

**THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL – 18 FEBRUARY 2016**

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**The Inverclyde Council**

**Thursday 18 February 2016 at 4pm**

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

**Chair:** Provost Moran presided.

**In attendance:** Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services), Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications, Head of Regeneration & Planning, Environmental Services Manager, Roads, Transport & Waste Collection, Ms E Provan (Environmental & Commercial Services) and Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications).

**116 Apologies and Declarations of Interest**

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

Councillor Clocherty declared an interest in agenda item 10 (The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 6) Order 2015 The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 1999 Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee).

Prior to commencement of business, Provost Moran referred to the recent death of former Councillor Jim Mitchell. Councillor McCabe and Councillor Rebecchi paid tribute to Mr Mitchell and, on behalf of the Council, expressed their condolences to Mr Mitchell's family.

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

**117 The Inverclyde Council – 3 December 2015**

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**Approved** on the motion of Provost Moran.

**118 Audit Committee – 5 January 2016**

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**Approved** on the motion of Councillor Rebecchi.

**119 Health & Social Care Committee – 7 January 2016**

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**Approved** on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.

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| 120 | <b>General Purposes Board – 13 January 2016</b>                   | 120 |
|     | Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.                     |     |
| 121 | <b>Environment &amp; Regeneration Committee - 14 January 2016</b> | 121 |
|     | Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.                   |     |
| 122 | <b>Education &amp; Communities Committee – 19 January 2016</b>    | 122 |
|     | Approved on the motion of Councillor Loughran.                    |     |
| 123 | <b>Environment &amp; Regeneration Committee - 21 January 2016</b> | 123 |
|     | Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.                   |     |
| 124 | <b>Grants Sub-Committee – 26 January 2016</b>                     | 124 |
|     | Approved on the motion of Councillor McColgan.                    |     |
| 125 | <b>Human Resources Appeals Board – 28 January 2016</b>            | 125 |
|     | Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.                   |     |
| 126 | <b>Policy &amp; Resources Committee – 2 February 2016</b>         | 126 |
|     | Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.                      |     |
| 127 | <b>Planning Board – 3 February 2016</b>                           | 127 |
|     | Approved on the motion of Councillor Nelson.                      |     |
| 128 | <b>Local Review Body – 3 February 2016</b>                        | 128 |
|     | Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.                     |     |
| 129 | <b>General Purposes Board – 10 February 2016</b>                  | 129 |
|     | Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.                     |     |
| 130 | <b>Approval of the Band D Council Tax for 2016/17</b>             | 130 |

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer providing information to the Council on the latest position of the 2016/17 Revenue Budget to allow it to determine the level of Council Tax for 2016/17.

**Decided:**

(1) that the Council note the terms of Appendix 3 and approve the budget quantum for the financial year 2016/17;

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(2) that the Council confirm its decision to freeze the Council Tax for 2016/17 at current levels;

(3) that the Council resolve to set the Band D Council Tax for the year commencing 1 April 2016 at £1,198; and

(4) that a meeting of the Inverclyde Council be held on 10 March 2016 to consider the 2016/18 Budget with any further information as is then available or has been evaluated by its relevant officers as may impact on the Council's financial planning.

**131 Kilmacolm Heritage Centre Company: Nomination of Board Member – Request by Councillor McCabe 131**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a request by Councillor McCabe that the Council consider an invitation to provide a nominated Board Member to participate in the business of Kilmacolm Heritage Centre Company.

**Decided:** that Councillor Wilson be the Council's nominated Board Member on Kilmacolm Heritage Centre Company.

**132 Scheme of Delegation – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 132**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 14 January 2016 seeking approval of an amended Scheme of Delegation prepared under the terms of Section 43A of the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 for determining local developments.

**Decided:** that agreement be given to the adoption of the amended Scheme of Delegation prepared under the terms of Section 43A of the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 for determining local developments as outlined in Appendix 1 of the report to the Environment & Regeneration Committee and subject to approval from Scottish Ministers.

**133 Proposed Traffic Regulation Orders – Villages Strategy – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 133**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 14 January 2016 requesting approval of the following Traffic Regulation Orders:-

(1) The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Port Glasgow, Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 1) Order 2015;

(2) The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Port Glasgow, Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 2) Order 2015;

(3) The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip and Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 1) Order 2015; and

(4) The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip and Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 2) Order 2015.

**Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the following Traffic Regulation Orders, all as detailed in copies of the Orders forming a supplement to the principal minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith:-

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- (1) The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Port Glasgow, Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 1) Order 2015;
- (2) The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Port Glasgow, Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 2) Order 2015;
- (3) The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip and Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 1) Order 2015; and
- (4) The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Gourock, Inverkip and Wemyss Bay) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 2) Order 2015.

**134 Proposed Variations to Traffic Regulation Orders – Manor Crescent and Cardwell Road, Gourock – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 134**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 14 January 2016 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Orders – The Inverclyde Council Cardwell Road, Gourock (Waiting Restrictions) (Amendment No. 1) (Variation No. 1) Order 2015 and The Inverclyde Council Manor Crescent, Gourock (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 1) Order 2015.

**Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Orders - The Inverclyde Council Cardwell Road, Gourock (Waiting Restrictions) (Amendment No. 1) (Variation No. 1) Order 2015 and The Inverclyde Council Manor Crescent, Gourock (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 1) Order 2015, all as detailed in copies of the Orders forming a supplement to the principal minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

**135 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Linnet Road, Greenock (One-Way Only) Order 2015 – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 135**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 14 January 2016 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Linnet Road, Greenock (One Way Only) Order 2015.

**Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - Linnet Road, Greenock (One Way Only) Order 2015, all as detailed in a copy of the Order forming a supplement to the principal minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

**136 Proposed Traffic Regulation Orders – Various Roads including Residents' Parking Permit Scheme – Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee 136**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee requesting approval of four Traffic Regulation Orders which the Committee at the meeting held on 29 October 2015 had agreed to hold back recommending to the Council until a decision was made regarding The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 6) Order 2015 as they form a package of Traffic Regulation Orders which together make up the Residents' Parking Permit Scheme.

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The report advised that the Environment & Regeneration Committee at the special meeting on 21 January 2016 had agreed to recommend to the Council the making of the Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 6) Order 2015.

**Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the following Traffic Regulation Orders, all as detailed in copies of the Orders forming a supplement to the principal minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith:-

- (1) The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Inner Greenock) (Controlled Parking Zone) (Variation No. 4) Order 2015;
- (2) The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Inner Greenock) (Controlled Parking Zone) (Variation No. 5) Order 2015;
- (3) The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 5) Order 2015; and
- (4) The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 4) Order 2015.

**137 The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 6) Order 2015** **137**

**The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 1999  
Remit from Environment & Regeneration Committee**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 21 January 2016 requesting approval of the Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 6) Order 2015. Councillor Clocherty declared a non-financial interest in this matter having previously declared a view and took no part in its consideration or decision.

**Decided:** that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 6) Order 2015, all as detailed in a copy of the Order forming a supplement to the principal minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

**138 SNP Group – Changes to Committee Memberships** **138**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources asking the Council to consider a number of changes proposed by the SNP Group to Committee memberships.

Following discussion on the appointment of a Vice-Chair of the General Purposes Board, Councillor McEleny seconded by Councillor Campbell-Sturgess moved that Councillor Campbell-Sturgess be appointed Vice-Chair. As an amendment, Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved that Councillor Brennan be so appointed.

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

**Decided:**

- (1) that approval be given to the following changes to Committee memberships:-  
General Purposes Board – Councillor Nelson to be appointed in place of Councillor Grieve; and

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Environment & Regeneration Committee – Councillor Campbell-Sturgess to be appointed in place of Councillor Grieve; and  
 (2) that Councillor Brennan be appointed Vice-Chair of the General Purposes Board.

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

**Appendices to Minutes**

**139 Health & Social Care Committee – 7 January 2016 139**

**Approved** on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.

**140 Environment & Regeneration Committee – 14 January 2016 140**

**Approved** on the motion of Councillor McCormick.

**141 Education & Communities Committee – 19 January 2016 141**

**Approved** on the motion of Councillor Loughran.

**142 Human Resources Appeals Board – 28 January 2016 142**

**Approved** on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.

**143 Policy & Resources Committee – 2 February 2016 143**

Approval of the appendix to the minute as a correct record was moved by Councillor McCabe.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the appendix to the minute be approved; and
- (2) that the Council note the Head of Legal & Property Services' assurances in relation to the negotiations for the proposed sale of premises at Cathcart Street, Greenock.