

THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL – 30 NOVEMBER 2017

The Inverclyde Council

Thursday 30 November 2017 at 4pm

Present: Provost Brennan, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty, Crowther, Curley, Dorrian, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, C McEleny, J McEleny, McKenzie, McVey, Moran, Murphy, Nelson, Quinn, Robertson and Wilson.

Chair: Provost Brennan presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Chief Financial Officer, Head of Children's Services & Criminal Justice, Head of Health & Community Care, Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications, Mr S Walker (for Acting Head of Environmental & Commercial Services) and Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications).

647	Apologies and Declarations of Interest	647
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Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors MacLeod and Rebecchi.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

648	Chief Social Work Officer Annual Report 2016/17	648
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There was submitted a report by the Chief Social Work Officer for Inverclyde seeking approval and endorsement of the Annual Report for submission to the Office of the Chief Social Work Adviser to the Scottish Government.

Members heard a presentation by the Chief Social Work Officer on various aspects of the report and thereafter she answered a number of questions from Members.

Decided: that approval be given to the Inverclyde HSCP Chief Social Work Officer Report for 2016/17 for submission to the Office of the Chief Social Work Adviser to the Scottish Government.

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

649	Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Sub-Committee – 28 September 2017	649
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Approved on the motion of Provost Brennan.

650	Inverclyde Council – 28 September 2017	650
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Approved on the motion of Provost Brennan.

651	Environment & Regeneration Committee (Special) – 5 October 2017	651
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Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.

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652	General Purposes Board – 11 October 2017	652
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.	
653	Education & Communities Committee (Special) – 12 October 2017	653
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.	
654	Audit Committee – 17 October 2017	654
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McVey.	
655	Health & Social Care Committee – 19 October 2017	655
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Moran.	
656	Environment & Regeneration Committee (Special) – 26 October 2017	656
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.	
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	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.	
658	Education & Communities Committee – 31 October 2017	658
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.	
659	Policy & Resources Executive Sub-Committee – 1 November 2017	659
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.	
660	Planning Board – 1 November 2017	660
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.	
661	Local Review Body – 1 November 2017	661
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson.	
662	General Purposes Board – 8 November 2017	662
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.	
663	Policy & Resources Committee – 14 November 2017	663
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.	

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664 Environment & Regeneration Committee (Special) – 28 November 2017

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Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.

665 Trade Justice Scotland Coalition – Request by Councillor McCabe

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a request received from Councillor McCabe that the Council consider whether it would wish to support the Trade Justice Scotland Coalition's principles on Just Trade and agree a motion which reflects these principles.

Councillor Clocherty seconded by Councillor Jackson moved that the Council support the Trade Justice Scotland Coalition's principles on Just Trade as set out in the correspondence appended to the report and agree the following motion:

"The Council notes that:

- The Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP), the trade deal between the EU and US, stalled at the beginning of 2017, due to widespread public and political concern on both sides of the Atlantic.
- The Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA), between the EU and Canada, despite similar concerns, was passed by the European Parliament in February 2017 and is now awaiting ratification by member states.
- CETA will allow corporations to use a new Investor Court System (ICS) which affords transnational companies rights over elected governments.
- The effects of trade deals like TTIP and CETA go well beyond traditional goals of trade agreements, encompassing a wide spectrum of public policies. These include the harmonisation of regulatory standards; opening markets in the service sector; and the opening up of public procurement markets.
- The current UK government has indicated that it plans to use TTIP and CETA as the basis for any new trade agreements that it negotiates after Brexit.
- In the last two years, ten local Scottish Councils passed motions opposing TTIP and CETA (Dundee, East Dunbartonshire, Edinburgh, Fife, Glasgow, Inverness, Midlothian, North Ayrshire, Stirling and West Dunbartonshire), which demonstrates widespread concern amongst local authorities about the negative impacts of these kinds of trade deals.

This Council believes that:

- This new generation of trade deals represents a real threat to local democracy, affecting the freedom local authorities have in decision making, when these decisions affect the profits of multi-national companies.
- These trade deals could also negatively impact on local services, employment and suppliers, as power is transferred from local and national governments to international corporations.
- A different system of trade is needed, which honours obligations to human rights, workers' rights and climate change commitments.
- Trade deals should be used to help build a fairer society and protect the planet.

This Council therefore agrees:

- To endorse the Trade Justice Scotland Coalition's ten principles for Just Trade, as an alternative to trade deals like TTIP and CETA.

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- That the Chief Executive should write to the Cabinet Secretary for Communities, Social Security and Equalities, the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Constitution, and local MPs and MSPs to warn of the impact that a new generation of trade deals might have on Council decision making after Brexit, and to call for them to endorse the Trade Justice Scotland Coalition's principles for Just Trade.
- That the Chief Executive will write to COSLA to express concern about the impact that future trade deals, negotiated by the UK government after we leave the EU and modelled on TTIP and CETA, might have on local Council decision making, and ask them to raise these with the UK Government and Scottish Government on this Council's behalf."

As an amendment, Councillor Brooks seconded by Councillor Wilson moved that no action be taken. On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors Brooks and Wilson, voted in favour of the amendment and 18 Members, Provost Brennan, Councillors Clocherty, Dorrian, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, Moran, Murphy, Ahlfeld, McKenzie, McVey, Quinn, Crowther, Curley, C McEleny, J McEleny, Nelson and Robertson, voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried.

Decided: that the Council support the motion as follows:

"The Council notes that:

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666 2018 Review of UK Parliament Constituencies – Publication of Revised Proposals

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services (1) informing the Council of the revised proposals received from the Boundary Commission for Scotland for the 2018 Review of UK Parliament Constituencies and (2) advising that consultation responses were invited by 11 December 2017.

Following discussion, Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor C McEleny moved that the Boundary Commission for Scotland be advised that Inverclyde Council is opposed to the proposal for an Inverclyde and Erskine County Constituency and that the Council's view is that the existing Inverclyde County Constituency should be retained to meet the needs of the established community and to ensure democratic representation and accountability.

As an amendment, Councillor Wilson seconded by Councillor Brooks moved that the Council support the Boundary Commission for Scotland's revised proposals for an Inverclyde and Erskine County Constituency.

On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors Brooks and Wilson, voted in favour of the amendment and 18 Members, Provost Brennan, Councillors Clocherty, Dorrian, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, Moran, Murphy, Ahlfeld, McKenzie, McVey, Quinn, Crowther, Curley, C McEleny, J McEleny, Nelson and Robertson, voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried.

Decided: that the Boundary Commission for Scotland be advised that Inverclyde Council is opposed to the proposal for an Inverclyde and Erskine County Constituency and that the Council's view is that the existing Inverclyde County Constituency should be retained to meet the needs of the established community and to ensure democratic representation and accountability.

667 Financial Strategy 2017/2025 - Update

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the updated Financial Strategy 2017/2025.

Decided: that approval be given to the proposed changes to the Repairs and Renewals Fund and the reduction in Loans Charges Budget from 2018/19 and that otherwise approval be given to the latest revision of the Financial Strategy 2017/2025 as set out in the appendix to the report.

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| 668 | <p>Appointment of Trustees to Peter Stanton Memorial Trust</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on the position in respect of the appointment of Trustees to the Peter Stanton Memorial Trust.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that agreement be given to the reappointment of two outside Trustees, Mr John English and Mrs Eileen Gowans, to the Peter Stanton Memorial Trust to serve on the Trust for a period of 4 years from 17 February 2018 to 16 February 2022; and</p> <p>(2) that it be noted that an update on the outstanding vacancy for a third Trustee and any nominations received will be made as soon as practicable.</p> | 668 |
| 669 | <p>Review of Petitions Committee</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services (1) reviewing the operation of the Petitions Committee and (2) recommending its continuation.</p> <p>Decided: that the Council note the report and approve the continuation of the Petitions Committee.</p> | 669 |
| 670 | <p>Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Port Glasgow, Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 4) Order 2017</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 26 October 2017 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Port Glasgow, Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 4) Order 2017.</p> <p>Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Port Glasgow, Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 4) Order 2017 and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.</p> | 670 |
| 671 | <p>Proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council, Disabled Persons' Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 3 2017</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 26 October 2017 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – The Inverclyde Council, Disabled Persons' Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 3 2017.</p> <p>Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council, Disabled Persons' Parking Places (On-Street) Order No. 3 2017 and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and Head of Legal & Property Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.</p> | 671 |

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672 Exemption from Council Tax – Care Leavers

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer advising the Council of the current practicalities of implementing a policy to exempt young care leavers from Council Tax effective from the 2018/19 Council Tax year, which had been considered by the Policy & Resources Committee at its meeting on 14 November 2017.

Decided:

- (1) that the Council note the current lack of legal powers for it to implement Council Tax exemption for care leavers and also the potential cost to the Council in the event that the policy is not fully funded by the Scottish Government;
- (2) that the Council note that officers will continue to gather information on potentially eligible care leavers on the basis that the announced Policy will come into effect from April 2018; and
- (3) that the Council agree to make provision within the Revenue Budget to fund Council Tax exemption for care leavers at an estimated cost of up to £50,000 per year in the event that the Policy comes into effect from 2018/19 and that no extra funding is forthcoming from the Scottish Government.

673 Treasury Management – Mid-Year Report 2017/18

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the Policy & Resources Committee of 14 November 2017 requesting the Council to approve the Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2017/18.

Decided:

- (1) that the Council approve the Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2017/18 as set out in the appendix to the report; and
- (2) that the Finance Manager (Social Care), Finance Manager (Education & Exchequer) and Finance Manager (Environment & Technical) each be authorised to exercise power delegated to the Chief Financial Officer in relation to Treasury Management issues where the Chief Financial Officer is absent.

The Provost being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration to allow the Council, if in agreement, to make the Traffic Regulation Order without delay. This was agreed unanimously.

674 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council, Bearhope Street, Greenock (One-Way and Prohibition of Right Turn) Order 2016

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on a remit from the special meeting of the Environment & Regeneration Committee of 28 November 2017 requesting approval of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council, Bearhope Street, Greenock (One-Way and Prohibition of Right Turn) Order 2016.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council, Bearhope Street, Greenock (One-Way and Prohibition of Right Turn) Order 2016 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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675 Trust Funds Annual Accounts 2016/17

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There was submitted a report by the Honorary Treasurer requesting the Council, as Trustees, to adopt the examined Annual Accounts of the Birkmyre Trust and the Watt Institution Trust Fund and to note the draft Annual Accounts of the McLeod Trust.

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 2017; and
- (2) note the accounts of the McLeod Trust for the year ended 31 March 2017.

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 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 minutes.

Appendices to Minutes

676 General Purposes Board – 11 October 2017

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Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.

677 Environment & Regeneration Committee – 26 October 2017

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Approved on the motion of Councillor McCormick.

678 Education & Communities Committee – 31 October 2017

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Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.

679 General Purposes Board – 8 November 2017

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Approved on the motion of Councillor Dorrian.

680 Policy & Resources Committee – 14 November 2017

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Approved on the motion of Councillor McCabe.

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Planning Board

Wednesday 6 December 2017 at 3pm

Present: Provost Brennan (for Councillor Moran), Councillors Jackson (for Clocherty), Crowther, Dorrian, J McEleny, McKenzie, McVey, Murphy, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Regeneration & Planning, Development & Building Standards Manager, Mr G Leitch and Ms E Provan (Environmental & Commercial Services), Mr J Kerr (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services).

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

681 **APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** 681

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Clocherty, with Councillor Jackson substituting, and Councillor Moran, with Provost Brennan substituting.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

682 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS** 682

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

(a) Demolition of existing buildings and erection of local supermarket (Class 1): Wemyss Bay Hotel, 23 Greenock Road, Wemyss Bay (17/0157/IC)

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

After discussion, Councillor Nelson moved that consideration of the application be continued for a site visit to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Property Services in consultation with the Chair.

As an amendment, Councillor Jackson moved that planning permission be granted subject to the conditions detailed in the report.

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

- (1) as health and safety concerns have not been alleviated; and
- (2) as the unsocial hours proposed for deliveries or collections to and from the site would result in disruption to residents.

On a vote between the two amendments, 4 Members, Councillors Crowther, J McEleny, Murphy and Nelson, voted for the amendment by Councillor J McEleny and 7 Members, Provost Brennan, Councillors Dorrian, Jackson, McKenzie, McVey, Rebecchi and Wilson, voted for the amendment by Councillor Jackson. Councillor J McEleny's amendment, having received fewer votes, then fell.

On a vote between the motion and the amendment by Councillor Jackson, 3 Members,

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Councillors Crowther, J McEleny and Nelson, voted for the motion and 6 Members, Provost Brennan, Councillors Dorrian, Jackson, McKenzie, McVey and Rebecchi, voted for the amendment, which was declared carried. Two Members, Councillors Murphy and Wilson, abstained from voting.

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

- (1) that prior to their use, samples of all facing materials relating to the development together with samples of all hardstanding shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to enable the Planning Authority to retain effective control of facing and finishing materials in the interests of visual amenity;
- (2) that prior to the commencement of work on site full details of a landscaping scheme and programme for completion shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority. Development shall then proceed as approved unless any alternative is agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure the provision of an appropriate landscaping scheme;
- (3) that any trees, shrubs or areas of grass which die, are removed, damaged or become diseased within five years of completion of the landscaping shall be replaced within the following year with others of a similar size and species, to ensure the retention of the approved landscaping scheme in the interests of visual amenity;
- (4) that details of maintenance and management for the landscaping approved in terms of condition 2 above shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to the start of construction of the development hereby permitted. Management and maintenance shall commence upon completion of the landscaping, to ensure the maintenance of the approved landscaping scheme in the interests of visual amenity;
- (5) that all soft landscaping shall be completed prior to the opening of the retail shop hereby permitted, to ensure the provision of a visually acceptable environment within an appropriate timescale;
- (6) that the recommendations set out in the Flood Risk Assessment prepared by Kaya Consulting Ltd and dated May 2017 shall be fully implemented to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority inclusive of details in respect of finished floor levels and flow pathway, to ensure protection from potential flooding;
- (7) that prior to the commencement of works on site, full details of the drainage regime together with future maintenance shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approved drainage regime shall then be fully implemented prior to the opening of the retail shop hereby permitted and subsequently maintained as approved at all times thereafter to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, to ensure the adequacy of the drainage regime for the application site;
- (8) that prior to the commencement of works on site confirmation of Scottish Water's acceptance of the proposals shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority, to ensure Scottish Water's acceptance of the drainage regime for the application site;
- (9) that that the car park area shall be completed and available for use to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority prior to the opening of the retail shop hereby permitted and shall then be retained and available for use at all times thereafter, to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, to ensure suitable parking provision for staff and customers, in the interests of road safety;
- (10) that prior to the commencement of works on site, a Delivery Management Plan shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the by the Planning Authority. All deliveries and other servicing of the site shall then be undertaken in accordance with the approved plan at all times thereafter, to ensure safe servicing arrangements for the site;
- (11) that the recommendations set out in the bat survey report by Nocturne Environmental Surveyors Ltd dated September 2017 shall be followed at all times during

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development, to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, to ensure the protection of European Protected species;

(12) that the recommendations set out in the bird survey report by Nocturne Environmental Surveyors Ltd dated September 2017 shall be followed at all times during development, to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, to ensure the protection of nesting birds;

(13) that demolition works shall not be undertaken during the months of March to October inclusive, to avoid disturbance to European Protected species;

(14) that the proposed means of access to the trunk road shall be constructed to a layout, type and method of construction to be approved by the Planning Authority, after consultation with the Roads Authority, before the development is commenced, to ensure that the standard of access layout complies with the current standards and that the safety of the traffic on the trunk road is not diminished;

(15) that there shall be no drainage connections to the trunk road drainage system, to ensure that the efficiency of the existing drainage network is not affected;

(16) that the form and detail relating to the provision of a pedestrian crossing should be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority, after consultation with the Roads Authority, before the development is commenced, to ensure the form and layout of the pedestrian crossing is appropriate for the anticipated pedestrian demand and in line with current standards and that the safe and free flow of traffic on the trunk road is not diminished;

(17) that a Traffic Management Plan shall be agreed with Transport Scotland prior to any works associated with the demolition of the existing building and construction of the new buildings beginning on site, to maintain safety for both the trunk road traffic and the traffic moving to and from the development;

(18) that prior to the start of development, details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and that, for the avoidance of doubt, this shall contain a methodology and treatment statement where any is found. Development shall not proceed until treatment is completed as per the methodology and treatment statement. Any variation to the treatment methodologies will require subsequent approval by the Planning Authority prior to development starting on site, to help arrest the spread of Japanese Knotweed in the interests of environmental protection;

(19) 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 also include a Verification Plan. Any subsequent modifications to the Remediation Strategy and Verification Plan must be approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation, to satisfactorily address potential contamination issues in the interests of environmental safety;

(20) that on completion of remediation and verification works and prior to the site being occupied, the developer shall submit a Completion Report for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority, confirming that the works have been carried out in accordance with the Remediation Strategy. This report shall demonstrate that no pollutant linkages remain or are likely to occur and include (but not be limited to) a collation of verification/validation certificates, analysis information, remediation lifespan, maintenance/aftercare information and details of all materials imported onto the site as fill or landscaping material. The details of such materials shall include information of the material's source, volume, intended use and chemical quality with plans delineating placement and thickness, to provide verification that remediation has been carried out to

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the Authority's satisfaction;

(21) 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 and amendments to the Remediation Strategy (i.e. that has not been included in contingency) 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

(22) that the premises shall not operate outwith the hours of 0700 and 2300 daily. For the avoidance of doubt, deliveries or collections to and from the site shall not be carried out between these hours, to protect the amenities of occupiers of premises from unreasonable noise and vibration levels.

**(b) Installation of air handling units within enclosure to rear of building (in retrospect):
5 Tarbet Street, Gourock (17/0281/IC)**

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

After discussion, Councillor Crowther moved that consideration of the application be continued for a site visit to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Property Services in consultation with the Chair. As an amendment, Councillor Jackson moved that planning permission be granted subject to the conditions detailed in the report.

On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors Crowther and J McEleny, voted for the motion and 8 Members, Provost Brennan, Councillors Dorrian, Jackson, McKenzie, McVey, Murphy, Nelson and Rebecchi, voted in favour of the amendment which was declared carried. One Member, Councillor Wilson, abstained from voting.

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

(1) that the timber acoustic enclosure hereby permitted shall be retained on site to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority at all times in the future, to ensure the retention of the timber acoustic enclosure in the interests of protecting neighbouring residential amenity; and

(2) that the timber acoustic enclosure hereby permitted shall be appropriately maintained at all times to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority in order that it continues to perform its designed function, to ensure the appropriate maintenance of the timber acoustic enclosure in the interests of protecting neighbouring residential amenity.

**(c) Construction of a small scale gas-fired energy reserve facility for the generation of up to 19.9 MW of electricity:
Land East of the B788 Adjacent to Devol Moor Substation, Greenock (17/0260/IC)**

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

After discussion, Councillor Nelson moved that planning permission be refused for the following reasons:-

(1) as the proposed development is contrary to the Inverclyde Local Plan 2014, Policies EVN2 Assessing Development Proposals within the Green Belt and Countryside and SDS8 – Greenbelt and Countryside. Furthermore, allowing development on this green belt area would set precedence, weakening the case for retaining adjoining green belt in the future; and

(2) as allowing this proposal to go ahead is not encouraging development within the

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many available industrial sites in Inverclyde and is not in line with Local Plan 2014, Policy ECN4 – Business Proposals and Industrial Proposals outwith Designated Areas. As an amendment, Councillor Rebecchi moved that consideration of the application be continued to enable the Head of Regeneration & Planning to consult with the applicant on potential alternative sites within Inverclyde for the proposed development.

On a vote, 4 Members, Councillors Dorrian, J McEleny, Nelson and Wilson, voted in favour of the motion and 7 Members, Provost Brennan, Councillors Crowther, Jackson, McKenzie, McVey, Murphy and Rebecchi, voted in favour of the amendment which was declared carried.

Decided: that consideration of the application be continued to enable the Head of Regeneration & Planning to consult with the applicant on potential alternative sites within Inverclyde for the proposed development.

**(d) Erection of four dwellinghouses:
Whitelea Road, Kilmacolm (16/0061/IC)**

There was submitted an updated report in relation to this application.

During the course of discussion, the Head of Regeneration & Planning advised that the word “No” should be deleted from condition 10 to read “Site clearance shall take place outwith the bird breeding season of March till August”.

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

(1) that prior to the start of development, details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. For the avoidance of doubt this shall contain a methodology and treatment statement where any is found. Development shall not proceed until treatment is completed as per the methodology and treatment statement. Any variation to the treatment methodologies will require subsequent approval by the Planning Authority prior to development starting on site, to help arrest the spread of Japanese Knotweed in the interests of environmental protection;

(2) 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;

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

(4) 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

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recorded and dealt with appropriately;

(5) 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;

(6) that a visibility splay of 2m by 43m by 1.05m high shall be achieved at the junctions of each of the four driveways and the access road hereby approved, in the interests of road safety within the development;

(7) that a footpath shall be provided along the front of the site incorporating street lighting and drainage, all to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority. Full details shall be submitted to and approved in writing and thereafter completed in accordance with the approved details prior to the commencement of the erection of the first house on site, in order to improve road safety on Whitelea Road;

(8) that prior to the commencement of work on site, a Flood Risk Assessment shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority in consultation with SEPA, to ensure that there is no development within a functional flood plain;

(9) that no development shall commence until a site drainage scheme has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Thereafter the approved drainage scheme shall be completed prior to the construction of the four houses hereby approved, to prevent harm from flooding;

(10) that site clearance shall take place outwith the bird breeding season of March till August, in the interests of the protection of birds;

(11) that no development shall commence until full details of all boundary treatment have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority; development thereafter shall proceed in accordance with the approved boundary treatments, unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure the provision of a quality boundary treatment regime; and

(12) that no development shall commence until samples of all external finishing materials have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority; development thereafter shall proceed in accordance with the approved materials, unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure a choice of external finishes sympathetic to this part of Kilmacolm.

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Local Review BodyWednesday 6 December 2017 at 4.10pm

Present: Councillors Moran (for Clocherty), Crowther, Dorrian, McKenzie, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided for agenda items 1, 2(a), 2(b) and part of 2(c) and Councillor Nelson presided for the remainder of agenda item 2(c).

In attendance: Mr A Hamilton, Ms F Milne and Mr A Williamson (Planning Advisers), Mr J Kerr (Legal Adviser) and Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services).

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

683 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 683

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Clocherty, with Councillor Moran substituting.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

684 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW 684

**(a) Realignment of Access Road:
Craigmarloch South, Port Glasgow Road, Kilmacolm (17/0159/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the realignment of the access road at Craigmarloch South, Port Glasgow Road, Kilmacolm (17/0159/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

Mr Williamson acted as planning adviser in relation to this case.

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 the development to which this permission relates must be begun within three years from the date of this permission, to comply with Section 58 of the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.

**(b) Proposed new single dwellinghouse within the curtilage of Fir Cottage:
Fir Cottage, Glenmosston Road, Kilmacolm (16/0305/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for a proposed new single dwellinghouse within the curtilage of Fir Cottage at Fir Cottage, Glenmosston Road, Kilmacolm (16/0305/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

Ms Milne acted as Planning Adviser in relation to this case

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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 following conditions:-
 1. that the development to which this permission relates must be begun within three years from the date of this permission, to comply with Section 58 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997;
 2. that prior to the commencement of development, samples of all facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approved samples shall thereafter be used unless any alternatives are approved in writing by the Planning Authority, in the interests of visual amenity;
 3. that prior to the commencement of development, full details of all boundary treatments shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The boundary treatments shall be erected in full prior to occupation of the associated dwellinghouse hereby approved, in the interests of the privacy of adjoining residents;
 4. that prior to the commencement of development, full details of all soft and hard landscaping shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approved landscaping shall be carried out in full prior to occupation of the associated dwellinghouse hereby approved, in the interests of amenity and to prevent deleterious materials being carried onto the carriageway;
 5. that prior to the start of development, details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and that, for the avoidance of doubt, this shall contain a methodology and treatment statement where any is found. Development shall not proceed until appropriate control measures are implemented. Any significant variation to the treatment methodology shall be submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation, to help arrest the spread of Japanese Knotweed in the interests of environmental protection;
 6. that the development shall not commence until an Environmental Investigation and Risk Assessment, including any necessary Remediation Scheme 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 current codes of practice. The submission shall also include a Verification Plan. Any subsequent modifications to the Remediation Scheme and Verification Plan must be approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation, to satisfactorily address potential contamination issues in the interests of human health and environmental safety;
 7. that before the first of the residential units hereby permitted is occupied the applicant shall submit a report for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority, confirming that the works have been completed in accordance with the agreed Remediation Scheme and supply information as agreed in the Verification Plan. 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 all materials imported onto the site as fill or landscaping material. The details of such materials shall include information of the material source, volume, intended use and chemical quality with plans delineating placement and thickness, to ensure contamination is not imported to the site and confirm successful completion of remediation measures in the interest of human health and environmental safety;

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8. that the presence of any previously unrecorded contamination or variation to reported ground conditions that becomes evident during site works shall be brought to the attention of the Planning Authority and amendments to the Remediation Scheme 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;
9. that tree protection measures in accordance with the latest BS 5837 guidance shall be erected prior to the commencement of development and shall remain in place thereafter until the completion of all elements of construction, to ensure the protection of trees;
10. that the driveway shall be a minimum of 4.8 metres wide to allow 2 vehicles to pass, in the interests of traffic safety;
11. that the driveway gradient shall not exceed 10%, to ensure the driveway will be usable;
12. that a visibility splay of 2.4m by 43m by 1.05m high shall be provided at all times, in the interests of traffic safety;
13. that all surface water must be contained within the site. Drainage arrangements shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development, to avoid the creation of flooding; and
14. that development shall not commence on site until the recommendations of the "Extended Phase 1 Habitat Survey" are implemented in full, especially in relation to protected species, in the interests of nature conservation.

**(c) Construction of two dwellinghouses:
Land between 34 and 36 Dunvegan Avenue, Gourock (17/0134/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the construction of two dwellinghouses at land between 34 and 36 Dunvegan Avenue, Gourock (17/0134/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

Mr Hamilton acted as Planning Adviser in relation to this case.

Mr Kerr referred to new matters raised on behalf of the applicant in the form of Production 8.43 (Inverclyde Local Review Body Decision Notice dated 12 April 2017) and Production 8.44 (Inverclyde Local Development Plan Examination dated 11 June 2011). He asked the Local Review Body whether it wished to have regard to the new matters in determining the application for review of refusal of planning permission in terms of Section 43(B) of the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997. It was agreed that the Local Review Body consider the new matters and copies of Production 8.43 and Production 8.44 were circulated.

During the course of consideration of this item of business, Councillor Wilson vacated the Chair and left the meeting. Councillor Nelson assumed the Chair.

After discussion, Councillor McKenzie moved (1) that sufficient information had been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the Appointed Officer's determination) for the following reasons:-

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1. as the proposed development on an area of amenity open space would neither safeguard nor enhance the character and amenity of the area. Furthermore, the design of the proposed dwellings contrasts to an unacceptable degree with the existing adjacent dwellings, to the detriment of the visual amenity of the area. The proposal would therefore be contrary to Policy RES1 of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan; and

2. as the proposed development on an area of amenity open space of value in terms of its contribution to its surroundings and to the community would not support, safeguard or enhance the open space and would therefore be contrary to Policy ENV4 of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan.

As an amendment, Councillor Dorrian moved (1) that sufficient information had not been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and (2) that, in terms of Regulation 15 of the Town & Country Planning (Schemes of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, it be remitted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to issue a written notice to the applicant seeking information by means of a written submission to provide all information on Issue 9.5 "Housing Sites Not Included in the Proposed Plan: Urban Sites: Barr's Brae, Port Glasgow; Dunvegan Avenue, Gourock; fmr Kilmacolm Institute, The Cross, Kilmacolm; and Gillburn Road, Kilmacolm", as set out in the Report to Inverclyde Council: Inverclyde Local Development Plan Examination June 2014, being pages 132 - 138 (both inclusive) of the Report.

On a vote, 2 Members, Councillors McKenzie and Nelson, voted in favour of the motion and 4 Members, Councillors Crowther, Dorrian, Moran and Rebecchi, voted in favour of the amendment, which was declared carried.

Decided:

(1) that sufficient information had not been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and

(2) that, in terms of Regulation 15 of the Town & Country Planning (Schemes of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, it be remitted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to issue a written notice to the applicant seeking information by means of a written submission to provide all information on Issue 9.5 "Housing Sites Not Included in the Proposed Plan: Urban Sites: Barr's Brae, Port Glasgow; Dunvegan Avenue, Gourock; fmr Kilmacolm Institute, The Cross, Kilmacolm; and Gillburn Road, Kilmacolm", as set out in the Report to Inverclyde Council: Inverclyde Local Development Plan Examination June 2014, being pages 132 - 138 (both inclusive) of the Report

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 13 DECEMBER 2017

General Purposes BoardWednesday 13 December 2017 at 3pm

Present: Provost Brennan, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Crowther, Curley, Dorrian, Jackson, J McEleny, Moran and Quinn.

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr D Keenan (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services), Inspector J MacDonald and Sergeant J Curran, Police Scotland.

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

685 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 685

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

No declarations of interest were intimated.

686 Installation and Operation of Cameras within Taxis/Private Hire Vehicles 686

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services to seek the views of the Board as to whether it would wish to support in principal the right of taxi operators to install CCTV cameras within taxis as a means of enhancing the safety of drivers and passengers within Inverclyde.

Decided: that a further report be submitted to the Board on completion of the consultation process.

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.

687 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence 687

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence which the Board agreed to continue to the next meeting, all as detailed in the appendix.

688 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence 688

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence which the Board agreed to continue to the next meeting, all as detailed in the appendix.

THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL – 21 DECEMBER 2017

The Inverclyde Council

Thursday 21 December 2017 at 4pm

Present: Provost Brennan, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty, Crowther, Curley, Dorrian, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, J McEleny, McVey, Moran, Murphy, Nelson, Quinn, Rebecchi and Robertson.

Chair: Provost Brennan presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Chief Financial Officer, Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications and Corporate Communications Manager.

689 **Apologies and Declarations of Interest**

689

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors C McEleny, McKenzie, MacLeod and Wilson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

690 **2018/20 Budget Update**

690

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) providing updates on the 2018/19 Draft Local Government Settlement and the latest position of the 2018/20 Revenue Budget and (2) seeking decisions in respect of a number of related matters.

Decided: that the Council:

- (1) note the 2018/19 Draft Grant Settlement for Inverclyde and the conditions attached in Appendix 1 and agree to defer the decision as to whether to not accept the offer until the final settlement is confirmed later in February;
- (2) note the 2018/20 Revenue Budget funding gap set out in Appendix 3 based on this latest information and agree to the addition of a further £0.5 million to the 2018/19 Pay Inflation allowance;
- (3) approve the adjustments set out in Appendix 4 and note that officers will continue to look for further adjustments which would reduce the funding gap;
- (4) approve the Budget Pressures summarised in Appendix 5 and note that a more detailed report will be submitted to the Health & Social Care Committee providing further background on the pressures within Learning Disability, Elderly Care and Children & Families;
- (5) note the latest position in respect of the Council's Free Reserves and approve the write backs from existing Earmarked Reserves detailed in Appendix 6;
- (6) agree in principle to the use of Reserves to mitigate the impact of budget reductions in 2018/20 on the basis of a medium term strategy set out in Section 7 which delivers a recurring balanced budget no later than 2022/23;
- (7) agree to include the consideration of the savings set out in Appendix 7 as part of the 2018/20 Revenue Budget and note the updated savings options lists contained in Appendix 8;
- (8) note the timescales for the public consultation set out in Appendix 9; and

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(9) agree that the date for approving the Council Tax for 2018/19 will be the standing Council meeting of 22 February 2018 and that the date for agreeing all other aspects of the 2018/20 Revenue Budget will be a special meeting of the Council to be convened on 15 March 2018.

PLANNING BOARD – 3 JANUARY 2018

Planning Board

Wednesday 3 January 2018 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Dorrian, J McEleny, McKenzie, McVey, Moran, Murphy, Nelson and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Nelson presided.

In attendance: Head of Regeneration & Planning, Development & Building Standards Manager, Mr G Leitch and Ms E Provan (Environmental & Commercial Services), Mr J Kerr (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

1 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

1

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

No declarations of interest were intimated.

2 CONTINUED PLANNING APPLICATION

2

Construction of a small scale gas-fired energy reserve facility for the generation of up to 19.9 MW of electricity:

Land east of the B788 adjacent to Devol Moor Substation, Greenock (17/0260/IC)

There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning regarding an application by Harelaw Generation Ltd for the construction of a small scale gas-fired energy reserve facility for the generation of up to 19.9 MW of electricity at land east of the B788 adjacent to Devol Moor Substation, Greenock (17/0260/IC), consideration of which had been continued from the meeting held on 6 December 2017 to enable the Head of Regeneration & Planning to consult with the applicant on potential alternative sites within Inverclyde for the proposed development.

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

(1) that prior to the commencement of development, full details shall be provided of the colour of the acoustic screen fencing. The fencing shall thereafter be erected in the approved colour unless a variation is agreed in writing with the Planning Authority, in the interests of visual amenity;

(2) that full details of the approved landscaping scheme shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and that, for the avoidance of doubt, this shall include clarification of the numbers of each species, their location, the maturity of the species on planting and a management and maintenance regime, to clarify the planting arrangements in the interests of visual amenity;

(3) that in the event any of the approved planting dies, is damaged, becomes diseased or is removed within 5 years of planting, it shall be replaced by others of a similar size and species within the first planting season thereafter, to ensure retention of the approved planting scheme;

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(4) that prior to the start of development, details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and that, for the avoidance of doubt, this shall contain a methodology and treatment statement where any is found. Development shall not proceed until appropriate control measures are implemented. Any significant variation to the treatment methodology shall be submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority, prior to implementation, to help arrest the spread of Japanese Knotweed in the interests of environmental protection;

(5) that the development shall not commence until an Environmental Investigation and Risk Assessment, including any necessary Remediation Scheme 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 current codes of practice. The submission shall also include a Verification Plan. Any subsequent modifications to the Remediation Scheme and Verification Plan must be approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation, to satisfactorily address potential contamination issues in the interests of human health and environmental safety;

(6) that prior to the facility hereby permitted becoming operational the applicant shall submit a report for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority, confirming that the works have been completed in accordance with the agreed Remediation Scheme and supply information as agreed in the Verification Plan. 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 all materials imported onto the site as fill or landscaping material. The details of such materials shall include information of the material source, volume, intended use and chemical quality with plans delineating placement and thickness, to ensure contamination is not imported to the site and to confirm successful completion of remediation measures in the interest of human health and environmental safety;

(7) 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 and amendments to the Remediation Scheme 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;

(8) that prior to the commencement of development a traffic management plan shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and this should exclude any movements to and from the site at school start and finish times to avoid danger to children on Kilmacolm Road, in the interest of traffic and pedestrian safety; and

(9) that if the development hereby approved becomes obsolete and/or fails to contribute to the electricity supply for a period of three years then it will be deemed to have ceased to be required. In such circumstances, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, all buildings, plant, machinery and structures shall be dismantled and removed from the site and the site restored in accordance with a scheme to be agreed, all to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, in the interests of visual amenity within the Green Belt.

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3 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

3

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

**(a) Installation of grey coloured Virgin Media street cabinet:
Outside 103 Albert Road, Gourock (17/0324/IC)**

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

- (1) that in the event that the cabinet hereby approved becomes redundant or obsolete at any time in the future, it shall be removed and the site restored to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority within 2 months of the date at which the cabinet becomes redundant or obsolete, to ensure the removal of redundant or obsolete equipment in an appropriate timescale, and in the interests of the visual appearance of the Gourock West Bay Conservation Area; and
- (2) that no symbols, signs, letters or logos shall be displayed on any part of the cabinet. Details of any small signage necessary for operational reasons must be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority prior to display, to minimise visual intrusion within the Gourock West Bay Conservation Area.

**(b) Installation of grey coloured Virgin Media street cabinet:
Albert Road, Outside Cragburn Gate, Gourock (17/0325/IC)**

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

- (1) that in the event that the cabinet hereby approved becomes redundant or obsolete at any time in the future, it shall be removed and the site restored to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority within 2 months of the date at which the cabinet becomes redundant or obsolete, to ensure the removal of redundant or obsolete equipment in an appropriate timescale, and in the interests of the visual appearance of the Gourock West Bay Conservation Area; and
- (2) that no symbols, signs, letters or logos shall be displayed on any part of the cabinet. Details of any small signage necessary for operational reasons must be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority prior to display, to minimise visual intrusion within the Gourock West Bay Conservation Area.

**(c) Construction of dwellinghouse:
Kirn Drive, Gourock (17/0297/IC)**

The report recommended that planning permission be refused for the following reasons:-

- (1) as the proposed dwelling would be built on an area of amenity open space incorporating a play area approved under planning permission 16/0309/IC, it would result in an overall development that had an under-provision of amenity open space and a reduced play area which would not satisfy criteria (a) and (f) of Policy RES1 and would thus be detrimental to the character and amenity of the area; and
- (2) as the proposal would result in the wider development approved under planning permission 16/0309/IC not complying with the open space and play area provision requirement of Planning Application Advice Note (PAAN) 3 on "Private and Public Open Space Provision in New Residential Development" to the detriment of residential amenity.

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Decided: that, following the completion and registration of an amended Section 75 Agreement in relation to planning permission 16/0309/IC requiring a variation to the planning permission identified within the Agreement and an alteration to the specified timescale, if required, for the formation of the affordable housing at 53 Shore Street, Gourrock, planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:-

- (1) that all facing materials to be used in the construction of the dwellinghouse hereby permitted shall match those approved in writing by the Planning Authority under the terms of condition 1 of planning permission 16/0309/IC, unless a variation is agreed in writing with the Planning Authority, in the interests of visual amenity;
- (2) that the screen fencing approved under planning permission 16/0309/IC shall be erected along the common boundaries with the existing adjacent residential properties prior to the dwelling being occupied, in the interests of privacy;
- (3) that all surface water drainage from the site shall be treated in accordance with the principles of the Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Manual (C697) (CIRIA 2007). Before development commences, details shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority of the maintenance regime for the water detention areas, to control runoff from the site to reduce the risk of flooding;
- (4) that all surface water originating within the site shall be intercepted within the site, to control runoff from the site to reduce the risk of flooding;
- (5) that prior to the commencement of construction, the applicant shall submit written confirmation of Scottish Water's acceptance of the proposed development, to ensure adequate service connections can be achieved;
- (6) that on completion of remediation and verification/validation works and prior to the site being occupied, the developer shall submit a Completion Report for approval, in writing, by the Planning Authority, confirming that the works have been carried out in accordance with the Remediation Strategy for planning permission 16/0309/IC. 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;
- (7) 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;
- (8) that the occupancy of the dwellinghouse 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 material's 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;
- (9) that prior to occupation of the dwellinghouse hereby permitted, full details shall be provided of the play area located within the associated application site boundary for planning permission 16/0309/IC, including equipment and surfacing specification, to ensure the provision of an acceptable standard of equipment;

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(10) that prior to occupation of the dwellinghouse hereby permitted, full details shall be provided of the landscaping scheme for the revised open space area located immediately adjacent to the site and within the associated application site boundary for planning permission 16/0309/IC, to ensure retention of the approved landscaping scheme;

(11) that any of the planting approved under the landscaping plan referred to in condition 10 that dies, is removed, damaged or becomes diseased within 5 years of planting shall be replaced within the following year with others of a similar size and species, in the interests of visual amenity;

(12) that the management and maintenance scheme for the landscaping, hereby approved under condition 10, shall come into effect immediately on completion of the approved landscaping scheme, in the interests of visual amenity; and

(13) that elevational details of all fences and walls within the application site shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to being erected, in the interests of visual amenity.

LOCAL REVIEW BODY – 3 JANUARY 2018

Local Review Body

Wednesday 3 January 2018 at 4.15pm

Present: Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Dorrian, McKenzie and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Ms M Pickett (Planning Adviser), Mr J Kerr (Legal Adviser) and Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services).

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

4 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 4

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Nelson and Wilson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

5 CONTINUED PLANNING APPLICATION FOR REVIEW 5

**Proposed erection of raised decking and boundary fence:
3 Cardross Place, Greenock (17/0186/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the proposed erection of raised decking and boundary fence at 3 Cardross Place, Greenock (17/0186/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh, consideration of which had been continued from the meeting held on 1 November 2017 following the decision of the Local Review Body to have regard to the new matter submitted on behalf of the applicant in the form of a signed document from neighbouring properties in support of the application to enable the signatories of the document to be consulted as interested parties and given the opportunity to make representations in accordance with the Town & Country Planning (Schemes of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013.

Mr Kerr advised the Local Review Body that no representations had been received from the signatories of the document in support of the application.

Decided:

- (1) that sufficient information had not been submitted to allow the Local Review Body to decide the matter without further procedure; and
- (2) that, in terms of Regulation 16 of the Town & Country Planning (Schemes of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, consideration of the application for review be continued for an unaccompanied site inspection to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Property Services in consultation with the Chair.

AUDIT COMMITTEE – 9 JANUARY 2018

Audit Committee

Tuesday 9 January 2018 at 3pm

Present: Provost Brennan, Councillors Brooks, Curley, McCabe, McCormick, Crowther (for J McEleny), McVey, Murphy, Quinn and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Rebecchi presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Internal Auditor, Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms R McGhee and Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services).

In attendance also: Mr T Yule and Ms R McCulloch (Audit Scotland).

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

6 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 6

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor J McEleny, with Councillor Crowther substituting.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

7 Internal Audit Progress Report – 25 September to 1 December 2017 7

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources appending the monitoring report in respect of Internal Audit activity for the period 25 September to 1 December 2017.

There was circulated replacement page relative to Appendix 1.

Decided: that the monitoring report in respect of Internal Audit activity for the period 25 September to 1 December 2017 be noted.

8 External Audit Action Plans – Current Actions 8

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the status of current actions from External Audit Action Plans as at 30 November 2017.

Decided: that the Committee note the progress to date in relation to the implementation of external audit actions.

9 Invitation – DWP Joint Counter Fraud Initiative 9

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) on an invitation from the DWP to the Council to participate in joint criminal fraud investigations relating to the Council Tax Reduction Scheme (CTRS) and Social Security benefit fraud and (2) asking the Committee to note the Council's response.

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Decided: that the Committee note the invitation in relation to the DWP's Joint Counter Fraud Initiative and the Council's response.

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

10 Internal Audit Progress Report - Appendix**10**

There was submitted an appendix to the Internal Audit Progress Report providing details of a special investigation undertaken since the last meeting of the Committee.

Decided: that the appendix be noted.

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 10 JANUARY 2018

General Purposes Board

Wednesday 10 January 2018 at 3pm

Present: Provost Brennan, Councillors Brooks, Crowther, Rebecchi (for Curley), Dorrian, Jackson, Murphy (for Moran) and Quinn.

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr D Keenan (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms L Carrick and Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services) and Inspector J MacDonald and Sergeant J Curran, 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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| 11 | <p>Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest</p> <p>Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Ahlfeld, Curley, J McEleny, MacLeod and Moran with Councillor Rebecchi substituting for Councillor Curley and Councillor Murphy for Councillor Moran.</p> <p>No declarations of interest were intimated.</p> <p>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.</p> | 11 |
| 12 | <p>Application for Taxi Driver's Licence</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence. Following consideration the application, following a vote, was refused all as detailed in the appendix.</p> | 12 |
| 13 | <p>Application for Renewal of Taxi Driver's Licence</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence which the Board agreed to continue to a further meeting, all as detailed in the appendix.</p> | 13 |
| 14 | <p>Application for Taxi Driver's Licence</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Property Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence which was refused, all as detailed in the appendix.</p> | 14 |

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE COMMITTEE – 11 JANUARY 2018

Health & Social Care Committee

Thursday 11 January 2018 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Brooks, Jackson, McCabe, Crowther (for C McEleny), McKenzie, Moran, Quinn, Rebecchi and Robertson.

Chair: Councillor Moran presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Head of Health & Community Care, Head of Children's Services & Criminal Justice, Head of Mental Health, Addictions and Homelessness, Head of Strategy & Support Services, Mr D Flood (Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership), Ms T Bunton (Finance Services), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Ms F McLaren (for Chief Financial Officer) and Ms J Duncan (Veterans' Support Adviser).

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

15 **Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest** 15

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor C McEleny (with Councillor Crowther substituting) and Councillor MacLeod.

Councillors Brooks and McCabe declared an interest in Agenda Items 15 (Housing Support – Warden Services) and 16 (Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations).

16 **Revenue and Capital Budget 2017/18 Projection as at 31 October 2017** 16

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership and the Chief Financial Officer on the position of the Revenue and Capital Budgets for the current year as at Period 7 to 31 October 2017.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the projected underspend of £104,000 in the current year Revenue Budget as at 31 October 2017;
- (2) that approval be given to the virements listed in appendix 6;
- (3) that the current projected Capital position be noted; and
- (4) that the current Earmarked Reserves position be noted.

17 **Joint Children's Service Findings** 17

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) on the findings of the Joint Strategic Inspection of Services to Children, Young People and Families in the Inverclyde Community Planning Partnership (CPP) area and (2) outlining proposed improvement actions arising from the findings.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the findings of the report of the Joint Strategic Inspection

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of Services to Children, Young People and Families in the Inverclyde Community Planning Partnership;

(2) that approval be given to the content of the Improvement Plan to address the inspection findings; and

(3) that a further report be submitted to the Committee on how the Health & Social Care Partnership will resource the improvement actions required.

18 Impact of Welfare Reform on Children

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the recent and ongoing impact of welfare reforms in Inverclyde Children and Families.

Decided: that the Committee note the ongoing impacts of welfare reforms on families with children in Inverclyde.

19 Inspection of Residential Children's Services (Neil Street)

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership advising the Committee of the outcome of the inspection carried out by the Care Inspectorate in respect of Neil Street Residential Children's Services which was completed on 4 September 2017. The report advised that the service had received grades of 6 (Excellent) for both Care and Support and Quality of Staffing.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the outcome of the inspection report; and

(2) that the Committee's appreciation and congratulations be extended to all those involved in the service provision.

20 Inspection of Residential Children's Services (Kylemore)

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the outcome of the inspection carried out by the Care Inspectorate in respect of Kylemore Residential Children's Services which was completed on 15 August 2017. The report advised that the service had achieved grades of 6 (Excellent) for both Care and Support and Management and Leadership.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the outcome of the inspection report; and

(2) that the Committee's appreciation and congratulations be extended to all those involved in the service provision.

21 UNICEF Rights Respecting Award – Kylemore Residential Children's Unit

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership advising the Committee of Kylemore Residential Children's Unit's achievement in gaining the UNICEF UK Level One Rights Respecting Award.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the achievement of Kylemore Children's Unit in gaining the UNICEF UK Level One Rights Respecting Award; and

(2) that the Committee's congratulations be extended to the staff within the unit for achieving the award.

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22 2018/20 Budget Pressures

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership advising the Committee, following the meeting of the Inverclyde Council on 21 December 2017, of budget pressures identified in three areas: Older People's Homecare, Learning Disability Services Client Packages and Children & Families Continuing Care Costs.

Decided: that the Committee endorse the addition of increased resources approved by the Council on 21 December 2017 of £305,000 for Older People's Homecare, £292,000 for Learning Disability Services Client Packages and £200,000 for Children & Families Continuing Care and note that these sums will form part of the overall budget to be considered by the Integration Joint Board in March 2018.

23 Savings Option – Reduction of Long Term Care Placements for Older People and Adults

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) advising the Committee of the proposed savings option (HSCP/CC & H/08/2018) which reduces the budget available for Long Term Care Placements for Older People and Adults by £528,000 (4%) equating to 22 placements of £24,000 each and (2) explaining that in order to help manage fluctuating demand on long term care placements, a smoothing Earmarked Reserve of £250,000 had been allocated by Inverclyde Integration Joint Board.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note that the savings option as detailed in the report would equate to a reduction of 22 long term care placements in order to achieve a savings target of £528,000;

(2) that the Committee note the renegotiation of the National Care Home Contract currently being undertaken and the potential financial pressure which will require to be funded from the Council or Social Care Fund;

(3) that the Committee note that in order to help manage fluctuating demand on long term care placement, a smoothing Earmarked Reserve of £250,000 had been allocated by the Integration Joint Board in the current financial year;

(4) that the Committee note that any potential savings would result in a reduction of long term care placement with the potential of individuals remaining in hospital due to lack of available funding for a placement and risk to the achievement of national targets for delayed discharge and that investment in Homecare Services and investment from the Integration Joint Board will aim to balance this risk; and

(5) that the Committee approve the savings proposal as detailed, in principle, prior to its submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process.

24 Proposed Miscellaneous Savings

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership proposing options for savings of £22,000 for non-staff costs within the Quality and Learning Budget, £35,000 from the Evaluation of Dementia Strategy and £12,000 from the reduction of Child Protection Overheads Budget.

Decided: that the Committee approve the savings proposal, in principle, prior to its submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process.

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25 Veterans' Support Adviser Role

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the co-ordination of the support in place for former Armed Forces personnel and their families and access to services.

Ms Jane Duncan, Veterans' Support Adviser for Inverclyde, Renfrewshire and East Renfrewshire Councils was present and addressed the Committee on the position relative to support available.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the support in place for Armed Forces veterans, service personnel, reservists and their families;
- (2) that the Committee extend its appreciation to, and note the role played by, the Veterans' Support Officer who with a depth of knowledge and experience, applies expertise and focuses on the need of the Armed Forces community, supported by the Veterans' Support Operational Group; and
- (3) that the report be otherwise noted.

26 Tendering of Homecare Services

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) seeking approval to change the tender weightings in relation to the forthcoming tender process for a Homecare Service in Inverclyde and (2) requesting that delegated authority be granted to accept the successful tenders in accordance with Contract Standing Orders.

Decided:

- (1) that Contract Standing Order 13.2 be suspended to allow the use of a 60% Quality and 40% Cost of Service weighting in the forthcoming tender for the Inverclyde HSCP Homecare Service; and
- (2) that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to accept the successful tenders in accordance with Contract Standing Order 17.3(ii).

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

Item	Paragraph(s)
The Inverclyde HSCP Redesign of Services for Adults with a Learning Disability (The LD Redesign) – Update November 2017	1
Review of Addiction Services	1
Housing Support – Warden Services	6
Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations	6 & 9
Commissioned Services	6

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27 The Inverclyde HSCP Redesign of Services for Adults with a Learning Disability (The LD Redesign) – Update November 2017 27

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership requesting the Committee to agree the saving impact on staff and the direction of the learning disability estate following the previous decisions taken relative to the Redesign of Services for Adults with a Learning Disability (The LD Redesign).

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the potential to deliver the required £500,000 savings from the Learning Disability Service, as detailed in the report;
- (2) that the Committee note the ongoing work to scope out the potential to relocate the Learning Disability Day Opportunities Service from the McPherson Centre to the Fitzgerald Centre; and
- (3) that the Committee approve the savings proposal, in principle, prior to its submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process.

28 Review of Addiction Services 28

There was submitted a replacement report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership informing the Committee of the commencement of, and workplan for, the review of Addiction Services in Inverclyde.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the establishment of the Programme Board and associated workplan in respect of the Addiction Services review which will deliver options for a future service delivery and financial model, guided by key principles, leading to an improved service response;
- (2) that the Committee note the work that will be undertaken with Finance Services to establish the financial provision for Addiction Services, incorporating a reduction of £40,000;
- (3) that a further report be submitted on the outcome of the Addiction Services review and that this include information on the position relative to support for gambling addiction; and
- (4) that approval be given to the saving proposal, in principle, prior to its submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process.

29 Housing Support – Warden Services 29

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) on the current arrangements for Housing Support in Inverclyde and the planned changes for the future of the Housing Support Warden Services within sheltered housing and (2) providing an update on the financial implications.

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

Decided: that the Committee approve the saving proposal of £93,000, in principle, prior to its submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process.

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30 Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on matters relating to the HSCP commissioned process for externally commissioned Social Care Services.

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

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the governance report set out in appendix 1 covering the period 15 September to 24 November 2017; and
- (2) that Members acknowledge that Officers regard the control mechanisms in place through the governance meetings as sufficiently robust to ensure ongoing quality and safety and the fostering of a commissioning culture of continuous improvement.

31 Commissioned Services

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the proposed savings options for commissioned services within Mental Health and Addictions Services, which have a target of £162,000.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the savings proposal, in principle, prior to its submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process; and
- (2) that the Committee note that the Members' Budget Working Group had recently reviewed the proposal as set out in paragraph 5.10 of the report.

ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 18 JANUARY 2018

Environment & Regeneration Committee

Thursday 18 January 2018 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty, Crowther, Curley, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick, J McEleny, McKenzie and Nelson.

Chair: Councillor McCormick presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Legal & Property Services, Legal Services Manager (Procurement & Conveyancing), Technical Services Manager, Ms A Galloway, Mr J Kerr and Ms R McGhee (Legal & Property Services), Ms M McCabe (for Chief Financial Officer), Head of Regeneration & Planning, Acting Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Mr K Lang and Ms E Provan (Environmental & Commercial Services) 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.

32 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 32

No apologies for absence were intimated.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 8 (Second Consultation on Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies and Regulation of District and Communal Heating) – Councillor Brooks.

Agenda Item 13 (Cremator Replacement Update) – Councillor Brooks.

33 Environment & Regeneration Revenue Budget 2017/18 – Period 7 to 31 October 2017 33

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the position of the Revenue Budget 2017/18 as at Period 7 to 31 October 2017.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £146,000 for 2017/18 as at 31 October 2017; and
- (2) that the Committee note the position in respect of recent receipt of ESF Grant.

34 Environment & Regeneration Capital Programme 2017/18 to 2019/20 - Progress 34

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

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current position of the 2017/20 Capital Programme

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and the progress of the specific projects detailed in Appendices 1 and 2;

(2) that the Committee note the allocation of 2018/19 Core Property Services funding and projects detailed in paragraph 6.2;

(3) that the Committee approve the issue of tenders for the Pottery Street Office and Depot refurbishment and grant delegated authority to the Head of Legal & Property Services to accept the most economically advantageous tender provided the cost is within the budget allocation for the project; and

(4) that the Committee note the return of £300,000 flooding grant to the Scottish Government due to the project in Cove Road being significantly reduced in scope following works by Scottish Water.

35 Environment, Regeneration & Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan (CDIP) Performance Report 35

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing an update on progress towards the achievement of key objectives as set out in the Environment, Regeneration & Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan (CDIP) 2016/19.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note that the report reflects the progress made by the Environment, Regeneration & Resources Directorate in delivering its key improvement actions and performance targets as detailed in the Environment, Regeneration & Resources CDIP; and

(2) that the Committee note that further performance progress reports will be submitted to every second meeting.

36 Climate Change Plan 36

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval of a new Climate Change Plan for the Council.

Decided: that approval be given to the new Climate Change Plan for the Council as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.

37 Glasgow City Deal – Project Heads of Terms 37

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to agree the Heads of Terms with Scottish Power for the Inverkip City Deal Project and with Peel Ports for the Greenock Ocean Terminal City Deal Project.

Decided:

(1) that agreement be given to the terms set out in the report;

(2) that delegated authority be granted to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to enter into negotiations with both Peel Ports and Scottish Power to agree Heads of Terms for the Capital expenditure of Greenock Ocean Terminal and the roads projects at Inverkip identified in paragraph 5.16 of the report;

(3) that delegated authority be granted to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to enter into negotiations with both the George Wylie Foundation and the Dunard Trust in respect of Heads of Terms for the Capital expenditure of Greenock Ocean Terminal; and

(4) that delegated authority be granted to the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources to enter into negotiations with both Peel Ports and the

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George Wylie Foundation for the use of the visitor facility at Greenock Ocean Terminal.

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| 38 | Modern Apprenticeship Programme | 38 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing an update on the progress of Modern Apprenticeships delivered by Inverclyde Council.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the progress being made with the programme delivery; and</p> <p>(2) that a wider report providing an update on the Employability Programme be submitted to the Committee.</p> | |
| 39 | Second Consultation on Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies and Regulation of District and Communal Heating | 39 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources informing the Committee of the second consultation on proposed statutory Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies and Regulation of District and Communal Heating for local authorities and seeking approval for the Council's response.</p> <p>Councillor Brooks declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Member of the Board of River Clyde Homes. 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.</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee approve Appendix 1 to the report as the Council's response to the second consultation on Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies and Regulation of District and Communal Heating, subject to inclusion at Question 25 of the response of the wording "however an adequate resource needs to be provided in recognition of the burden which could potentially affect local authorities".</p> | |
| 40 | Consultation on Financial Arrangements for Regional Transport Partnerships (RTPs) | 40 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer advising the Committee of the response from Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) to the Scottish Government's consultation in relation to financial arrangements for Regional Transport Partnerships (RTPs).</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the response given by SPT to the recent consultation on financial arrangements for RTPs; and</p> <p>(2) that it be agreed to make arrangements for a presentation by SPT on its budget and how the Council's contribution is utilised.</p> | |
| 41 | Scottish Government/Transport Scotland – Various Consultations | 41 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking the Committee's approval to support and endorse the consultation responses of Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) in respect of the Scottish Government/Transport Scotland consultations in relation to bus services, free bus travel, smart ticketing and low emission zones.</p> | |

Following discussion, Councillor McCabe moved that the Committee support and endorse the consultation responses of Strathclyde Partnership for Transport in respect of the Scottish Government/Transport Scotland consultations “Local Bus Services in Scotland – Improving the Framework for Delivery”, “Free Bus Travel for Older and Disabled People and Modern Apprentices”, “The Future of Smart Ticketing in Scotland” and “Building Scotland’s Low Emission Zones”.

As an amendment, Councillor Curley moved that the Committee note the consultation responses of Strathclyde Partnership for Transport in respect of the Scottish Government/Transport Scotland consultations “Local Bus Services in Scotland – Improving the Framework for Delivery”, “Free Bus Travel for Older and Disabled People and Modern Apprentices”, “The Future of Smart Ticketing in Scotland” and “Building Scotland’s Low Emission Zones”.

On a vote, 4 Members, Councillors Crowther, Curley, J McEleny and Nelson, voted in favour of the amendment and 7 Members, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Clocherty, Jackson, McCabe, McCormick and McKenzie, voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried.

Decided: that the Committee support and endorse the consultation responses of Strathclyde Partnership for Transport in respect of the Scottish Government/Transport Scotland consultations “Local Bus Services in Scotland – Improving the Framework for Delivery”, “Free Bus Travel for Older and Disabled People and Modern Apprentices”, “The Future of Smart Ticketing in Scotland” and “Building Scotland’s Low Emission Zones”.

42 Flood Risk Management – Update Report 11

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing an update on the progress on the Council’s Flood Risk Management Programme.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current progress on the Central Greenock Flood Prevention Schemes; and
- (2) that the Committee note the current progress of the Flood Prevention Schemes outwith Central Greenock and note that detailed recommendations as to the proposals for Coves Burn, Gourrock are the subject of a separate report.

43 Flood Risk Management – Coves Burn, Gourrock

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing an update on the progress on the Council’s Flood Risk Management Scheme for Coves Burn, Gourrock.

Decided: that the Committee note the positive interventions which have resolved the flood risk at Coves Burn and the consequent release of unspent grant, as detailed in the report.

44 Cremator Replacement Update

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There was submitted a report by the Acting Head of Environmental & Commercial Services (1) providing an update on the replacement of cremators within Greenock Crematorium, (2) advising of the anticipated cost and (3) requesting that the Committee remit the report to the budget process for approval.

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Councillor Brooks declared a non-financial interest in this item as a registered funeral celebrant. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision making process.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve, in principle, investing £1.65m in the replacement of cremators, associated equipment and building works and remit consideration of the funding to the budget process;
- (2) that the Committee note the estimated ongoing operational revenue savings, agree to the increase of 5% in all cremation charges with effect from the operation of the new facility and note that it is proposed that both these items will be used to prudentially fund £850,000 of the £1.65m investment, leaving £800,000 to be funded from the 2018/21 Capital Programme; and
- (3) that the Committee note that further reports will be submitted in the future to advise the Committee on the progress of the project.

45 **Environmental & Commercial Services (Roads) - Proposed RAMP Capital Programme for Carriageway Protective Surface Treatments (2018/19)** 45

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the proposed RAMP/Capital Programme for carriageway protective surface treatments for 2018/19.

Decided;

- (1) that the Committee approve the proposed programme and spend profile for 2018/19 for carriageway protective surface treatments as outlined in paragraph 5.1 of the report; and
- (2) that the Committee note that further reports will be submitted to a future meeting in respect of the award of the tenders for carriageway protective surface treatments.

46 **LED Strategy - Future Spend to Save** 46

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for a spend to save project for street lighting.
(Councillor Ahlfeld left the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided: that approval be given to the proposed spend to save project (LED Work Package 5) comprising the conversion of existing white, non-LED lanterns to white LED lanterns.

47 **Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 7) Order 2017** 47

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending the making of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 7) Order 2017.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Various Roads) (Outer Greenock) (Waiting Restrictions) (Variation No. 7) Order 2017 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.

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48 **Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 9) Order 2017** 48

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources recommending the making of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 9) Order 2017.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the Traffic Regulation Order - The Inverclyde Council (Off-Street Parking Places) (Variation No. 9) Order 2017 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.

49 **King George VI Building Phasing and Costs** 49

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) on the current status of the proposal to refurbish the King George VI building and (2) recommending that Option 1 be progressed pending a further report on funding and end-use.

(Councillor Ahlfeld returned to the meeting and Councillor Nelson left the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided: that approval be given to progressing Phase 1 of the refurbishment project and that a further report on end-use and funding options be submitted to the Committee for consideration in due course.

The Committee adjourned at 5.10pm and re-convened at 5.12pm.

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

<u>Item</u>	<u>Paragraph(s)</u>
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50 **Review of Roads and Transportation** 50

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) on the outcome of an operational review of parts of the Roads and Transportation Service and (2) seeking approval for efficiency measures which will deliver £103,000 per annum of recurring revenue savings.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the review which is being undertaken into Roads operational efficiencies; and

(2) that support be given to the saving proposal, in principle, prior to its submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process.

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51 Regeneration and Planning Service Restructure

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning providing details of a proposed restructure within the Regeneration and Planning Service.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the proposed management restructure; and
- (2) that approval be given to associated savings of £192,000, in principle, prior to their submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process.

52 Property Assets Management Report

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on activities and proposals for the management of the Council's property assets. The Committee agreed to take action in respect of (1) Parklea Park, Port Glasgow, (2) (a) Holmscroft Street, Greenock, (b) part of the site of the former Greenock Academy, (c) the site of the former Garvald School for the Deaf, Chester Road, Greenock and (d) the former Quarriers Home, 14-16 Bank Street, Greenock, (3) the site of the former Hector McNeil Baths, (4) the site of the former Balrossie School, Kilmacolm, (5) premises in Kelly Street and (6) accommodation within Gourrock Municipal Buildings, all as detailed in the appendix.

EDUCATION AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 23 JANUARY 2018

Education and Communities Committee

Tuesday 23 January 2018 at 2pm

Present: Provost Brennan, Councillors Clocherty, Curley, Crowther (for MacLeod), McCabe, J McEleny (for C McEleny), McVey, Murphy, Quinn, Robertson and Wilson, Rev D Burt and Mrs F Gilpin, Church Representatives, Ms A McMillan, Parent Representative and Ms P McEwan, Teacher Representative.

Chair: Councillor Clocherty presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Acting Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Community Safety and Wellbeing Manager, Community Learning & Development Manager, Ms G Murphy (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Mr I Cameron (for Chief Financial Officer), Mr C Given (Finance Services), Head of Education, Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy, Property Services 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.

53 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

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Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor C McEleny, with Councillor J McEleny substituting, and Councillor MacLeod, with Councillor Crowther substituting.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 6 (Community Waivers Saving Proposal) – Councillors Clocherty, Curley and J McEleny.

Agenda Item 7 (Community Facilities Service Review) – Councillors Clocherty, Curley and J McEleny.

Agenda Item 8 (Leisure Pitches Strategy Asset Management Plan) – Councillors Clocherty and J McEleny.

Agenda Item 9 (Follow-Up Progress Report following Education Scotland Visit to St Ninian's Primary School) – Councillor McCabe.

Agenda Item 13 (Report on the Joint Inspection of Services for Children and Young People in Inverclyde) – Councillor Robertson.

Agenda Item 21 (Update on the Beacon Arts Centre: The Greenock Arts Guild Ltd) – Councillors McCabe and Robertson.

Agenda Item 22 (Governance of Council Commissioned External Organisations) – Councillors Clocherty, McCabe, J McEleny, McVey and Wilson.

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| 54 | <p>Communities 2017/18 Revenue Budget – Period 7 to 31 October 2017</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the 2017/18 Communities Revenue Budget position as at Period 7 to 31 October 2017.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £67,000 for the 2017/18 Communities Revenue Budget as at Period 7 to 31 October 2017; and</p> <p>(2) that the Committee approve the virement of £30,000 as detailed in paragraph 7.1 and appendix 5 of the report.</p> | 54 |
| 55 | <p>Communities Capital Programme 2017-2020 Progress</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and Chief Financial Officer (1) on the status of the projects forming the Communities Capital Programme and (2) highlighting the overall financial position.</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee note the progress of the specific projects detailed in appendix 1 of the report.</p> | 55 |
| 56 | <p>CLD Service Annual Report 2016-2017: Progress Report Linking to 3 Year Plan “Co-ordinating Community Learning and Development in Inverclyde”</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the Community Learning & Development Service Annual Report 2016-17 linked to the 3 Year Plan “Co-ordinating Community Learning and Development in Inverclyde”. Copies of the full report were circulated to the Committee.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee endorse the Community Learning & Development Service Annual Report 2016-2017; and</p> <p>(2) that the Committee’s appreciation be extended to all staff involved.</p> | 56 |
| 57 | <p>Grants to Voluntary Organisations</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) on proposals for funding from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations (GTVO) Budget in 2018/19 and 2019/20 and (2) seeking approval for amendments to the GTVO Guidance Notes.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that it be agreed that awards be limited to a maximum of two year from 2018 onwards; and</p> <p>(2) that the amendments proposed to the GTVO guidance notes be approved.</p> | 57 |
| 58 | <p>Community Waivers Saving Proposal</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval in principle for savings in the Community Waivers Budget.</p> | 58 |

Councillor Curley declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Member of Boglestone Community Association and Councillors Clocherty and J McEleny declared a non-financial interest as Members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure. 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: that approval be given to the savings proposals detailed in section 5 of the report, in principle, prior to their submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process.

59 Community Facilities Service Review

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of the details of the savings proposals in Community Facilities, currently forming part of the 2018/20 budget public consultation exercise.

Councillor Curley declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Member of Boglestone Community Association and Councillors Clocherty and J McEleny declared a non-financial interest as Members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure. All of the Members formed the view that the nature of their interest and 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 contents of the review, the proposals for which are currently subject to public consultation as part of the 2018/20 Budget process, and that a final decision on the Budget will be taken by the Council on 15 March 2018.

60 Leisure Pitches Strategy Asset Management Plan

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development seeking approval for additional capital funding to create a sustainable Leisure Pitches Strategy Asset Management Plan for non-School Estate (SEMP) pitches.

Councillors Clocherty and J McEleny declared a non-financial interest in this item as Members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure. They also formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision making process.

Decided: that it be agreed to remit to the budget process, the allocation from the Capital Programme of £120,000 annually from 2018/19 to a Leisure Pitches Strategy Asset Management Plan to fund the repair and renewal of the non-SEMP artificial pitches.

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 5 items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act as are set opposite the heading to each item.

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61 **Update on the Beacon Arts Centre: The Greenock Arts Guild Ltd** **61**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing a further update on the Beacon Arts Centre/Greenock Arts Guild Ltd (GAG) as part of the Council's commitment to reporting on the governance of external organisations.

Councillors McCabe and Robertson declared a non-financial interest in this item as Members of the Board of Greenock Arts Guild Ltd. They also formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision making process.

The Committee noted the position in respect of a number of matters relative to the Beacon Arts Centre and that a further progress report would be submitted to the September 2018 meeting, all as detailed in the appendix.

62 **Governance of Council Commissioned External Organisations** **62**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on the governance of external organisations which deliver commissioned services to the Council or which are in receipt of grant supporting service delivery.

Councillor McCabe declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Member of the Board of Kilmacolm Community Centre Co Ltd and River Clyde Homes, Councillor Wilson declared a non-financial interest as a Member of the Board of Kilmacolm Community Centre Co Ltd, Councillor McVey declared a non-financial interest as a Member of the Board of River Clyde Homes and Councillors Clocherty and J McEleny declared a non-financial interest as Members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure. 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 agree the funding for Craigend Resource Centre and Branchton Community Centre for 2018/19 as detailed in paragraph 5.1 of the report;
- (2) that the Committee note the governance arrangements for the self-managed community centres and Inverclyde Leisure as detailed in appendix 1 in the report; and
- (3) that the Committee note the national governance arrangements for Housing Associations detailed in paragraph 5.3 of the report.

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| 63 | <p>Clune Park Regeneration Plan Progress Report: Update on Current Actions</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) on the current actions to implement the Council's decisions on the Clune Park Estate and (2) providing information on key, current actions to ensure that the Council is fully advised of progress.</p> <p>The Committee noted the current progress in respect of the Clune Park Area Regeneration Plan and the further matters set out in the report, all as detailed in the appendix.</p> | 63 |
| 64 | <p>Lady Alice Bowling Club</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the current position in respect of Lady Alice Bowling Club.</p> <p>The Committee agreed that the recommendations set out in the report be factored into the overall 2018/20 budget process, all as detailed in the appendix.</p> | 64 |
| 65 | <p>Safer Communities Restructure</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on proposals for savings within Safer Communities.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee approve the savings proposal, in principle, as set out in the report prior to its submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process; and</p> <p>(2) that the Committee note the restructure proposal for Safer Communities as set out in section 6 of the report.</p> <p>The Communities business concluded at 4.05pm. The Committee commenced consideration of the Education items of business at 4.10pm with Rev Burt, Mrs Gilpin, Ms McMillan and Ms McEwan joining the meeting. Councillors McCabe and Wilson did not return to the meeting at this juncture.</p> | 65 |
| 66 | <p>Follow Up Progress Report Following Education Scotland Visit to St Ninian's Primary School</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the progress made following the Education Scotland visit to St Ninian's Primary School and the report submitted to the Committee in January 2017.</p> <p>Councillor McCabe was not present for this item having previously declared a non-financial interest as the spouse of the Head Teacher of the school.</p> <p>(Councillor Wilson entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business).</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee note the further progress made by St Ninian's Primary School following the report submitted to the January 2017 meeting.</p> <p>Councillor McCabe returned to the meeting at this juncture.</p> | 66 |

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67 Education 2017/18 Revenue Budget – Period 7 to 31 October 2017 67

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the 2017/18 Education Revenue Budget position as at Period 7 to 31 October 2017.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £275,000 in the 2017/18 Education Revenue Budget as at Period 7 to 31 October 2017; and
- (2) that the Committee note that proposals have been developed as part of the 2018/20 budget process to address the number of projected underspends.

68 Education Capital Programme 2017-2020 Progress 68

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

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the progress of the specific projects detailed in appendix 1; and
- (2) that the Committee note the review of the School Estate Funding Model which is a separate item on the agenda.

69 Review of School Estate Funding Model 69

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and Chief Financial Officer (1) providing an update on the position of the School Estate Funding Model and (2) seeking approval of the revised model.

Decided:

- (1) that approval be given to the revised Funding Model and the associated changes/revisions highlighted in sections 4 and 5 of the report; and
- (2) that it be noted 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 June 2018.

70 Report on the Joint Inspection of Services for Children and Young People in Inverclyde 70

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the findings of the joint inspection of services for children and young people in Inverclyde.

Councillor Robertson declared a non-financial interest in this item through her involvement in the process during her former employment. She also formed the view that the nature of her interest and of the item of business did not preclude her continued presence in the Chamber or her participation in the decision making process.

Decided:

- (1) that the findings of the joint inspection of services for children and young people in Inverclyde be noted; and

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(2) that it be noted that an improvement plan will be developed to address the areas of improvement outlined in the inspection report and will be submitted to the Care Inspectorate as required; and

(3) that the Committee's appreciation be conveyed to all staff involved.

71 Care Inspections of Partner and Private Early Learning and Childcare Establishments April 2016 – March 2017 71

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of the quality of Early Learning and Childcare in Partner and Private Establishments, as evidenced by Care Inspectorate findings.

Decided: that the report be noted.

72 Education and Communities Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan 2016/19 – Progress Report 72

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 & Organisational Development Corporate Directorate Improvement Plan (CDIP) 2016/19.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the progress made in delivering the Year 2 improvement actions outlined in the Education, Communities & Organisational Development CDIP 2016/19; and

(2) that it be agreed to consider a third progress report at the meeting of the Committee on 8 May 2018.

73 Online School Payments Update 73

There was submitted a report by the Head of Education providing an update on the progress of the Online School Payments Project.

Decided: that the report be noted.

74 Update on Progress of the Scottish Attainment Challenge 74

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on the progress of the Scottish Attainment Challenge and the impact of the Attainment Challenge in Inverclyde.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the ongoing progress of the Scottish Attainment Challenge Project within Inverclyde; and

(2) that a report be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee on the current position in respect of the Pupil Equity Fund and the ways in which this is complementing work around the Attainment Challenge.

Rev Burt left the meeting at this juncture.

75 Putting an End to Period Poverty in Inverclyde**75**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) informing the Committee of the national period poverty initiative and (2) outlining proposals to end period poverty for girls and young women in Inverclyde.

Decided: that the Committee agree to tackle period poverty in Inverclyde by:

- (1) agreeing to the installation of free sanitary product dispensing machines in all Inverclyde secondary schools; and
- (2) agreeing that the cost of installing and stocking the machines be remitted to the 2018/20 budget process.

76 Summer Playscheme Provision**76**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Education informing the Committee of the current playscheme service that will provide options for future delivery of summer activity service provision from 2018 onwards.

Decided:

- (1) that it be noted that the Corporate Management Team's recommendation is that Option 2 as detailed in the report be progressed as part of the 2018/20 budget process; and
- (2) that it be agreed that Option 1 (continue with the current provision and charging policy) be progressed for consideration as part of the 2018/20 budget process.

77 Sundry Budget Saving Proposals**77**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development identifying a proposed saving of £12,000 from the Education Budget comprising (a) £6,000 from the current resources budget for Determined to Succeed, resulting in modification to the delivery of the current Recruit Programme and (b) £6,000 resulting from a review and reduction of all Education HQ overhead budgets based on latest projections.

Decided: that approval be given to the savings proposal, in principle, prior to its submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process.

Councillor McVey left the meeting at this juncture.

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 2 items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act as are set opposite the heading to each item.

Item**Paragraph(s)**

Update in Respect of the Governance of External Early Learning and Childcare Partner Establishments

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78 Update in Respect of the Governance of External Early Learning and Childcare Partner Establishments 78

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update in respect of the governance of external Early Learning and Childcare partner establishments.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report and the governance arrangements in place to monitor the position of external Early Learning partner centres; and
- (2) that the Committee note that all of the information and checks carried out by the Council indicate that all of its external partner centres are in a sustainable position to continue partnership working.

79 Additional Support Needs (ASN) Review – Update and Associated Savings (ASN) 79

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) providing an update on the progress to date in the implementation of the recommendations contained within the original Additional Support Needs (ASN) review published in April 2016 and (2) proposing 3 additional ASN associated savings proposals for consideration.

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

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the progress made to date in the implementation of the original recommendations contained in the 2016 Additional Support Needs (ASN) review; and
- (2) that the Committee approve the savings proposals detailed in the report, in principle, prior to their submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process.

PETITIONS COMMITTEE – 1 FEBRUARY 2018

Petitions Committee

Thursday 1 February 2018 at 3.00pm

Present: Councillors Brooks, Curley, Jackson, Crowther (for MacLeod), McVey and Murphy.

Chair: Councillor Curley presided.

In attendance: Mr P MacDonald (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services).

In attendance also: Acting Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Acting Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and Ms E Provan, Environmental & Commercial Services.

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

80 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 80

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

Councillor Brooks declared an interest in Agenda Item 4 (Petition for Consideration: Long Term Lease to Inverclyde Leisure of Inverclyde Indoor Bowling Club).

81 Overview Report 81

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services updating the Committee on the position relative to petitions previously reported on and new petitions received since the last meeting of the Committee.

Decided: that the position relative to petitions previously reported on and new petitions received since the last meeting of the Committee be noted.

82 Petition for Consideration: Port Glasgow Town Centre Residents Parking Scheme 82

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services providing details of a petition seeking the introduction of a residents parking scheme in Port Glasgow Town Centre (King Street/Church Street) in areas currently subject to a 30 minute restriction. The report advised that the petition met the Petitions Criteria and had received the level of public support required in terms of the approved Petitions Procedures.

The Committee heard Ms E Catterson, Petitioner, in support of the petition, Mr W Rennie and Ms E Provan for Environmental and Commercial Services, and Councillor McKenzie as Ward Councillor.

In discussion it was clarified with the Petitioner that the intention of the petition was to call for a residents parking scheme in the King Street/Church Street areas generally, and not necessarily limited to areas subject to current parking restrictions.

Decided: that the Committee support the petition and remit it to the Acting Head of Environmental and Commercial Services to submit a detailed report to a future meeting

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of the Environment and Regeneration Committee with recommendations on the matter.

83 Petition for Consideration: Long Term Lease to Inverclyde Leisure of Inverclyde Indoor Bowling Club 83

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services providing details of a petition seeking the support of Inverclyde Council for the granting of a longer term lease of the Inverclyde Indoor Bowling facility to Inverclyde Leisure. The report advised that the petition met the Petitions Criteria and had received the level of public support required in terms of the approved Petitions Procedures.

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

The Committee heard Mr A Munro, Petitioner, in support of the petition, Mr M McNab for Safer and Inclusive Communities, Councillor McKenzie as Ward Councillor and Councillor Ahlfeld in his capacity as the Council's Sports Champion.

Decided: that the Committee support the petition and remit it to the Acting Head of Safer and Inclusive Communities to submit a detailed report to a future meeting of the Education and Communities Committee with recommendations on the matter.

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 6 FEBRUARY 2018

Policy & Resources Committee

Tuesday 6 February 2018 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Clocherty, Curley (for MacLeod), McCabe, McCormick, C McEleny, McVey, Moran, Rebecchi, Robertson and Brooks (for Wilson).

Chair: Councillor McCabe presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Head of Education, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Ms A Hunter (for Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership), Head of Legal & Property Services, Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services), Chief Financial Officer, Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications, HR Manager (Operations), Acting Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities, Corporate Procurement Manager, ICT Service Manager, Community Learning & Development Manager, Ms K Barclay and Ms K McCready (Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy) and Corporate Communications Manager.

In attendance also: Mr T Yule, Audit Scotland.

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

84 **Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest** 84

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor MacLeod, with Councillor Curley substituting, and Councillor Wilson, with Councillor Brooks substituting.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

85 **Policy & Resources Capital Programme 2017 – Progress Report** 85

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

Decided: that the Committee note the current position of the 2017/20 Capital Programme, the reported advancement and the progress of the specific projects detailed in the report and Appendix 1.

86 **Capital Programme 2017/20** 86

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the latest position of the 2017/20 Capital Programme.

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the current position of the 2017/20 Capital Programme; and

(2) that the Committee note that Officers are developing a 2018/21 Capital Programme for consideration as part of the budget process.

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- 87 Policy & Resources Committee Revenue Budget 2017/18 - Period 8 to 30 November 2017 87**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and the Chief Financial Officer on the 2017/18 projected outturn for the Policy & Resources Committee as at Period 8 to 30 November 2017.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the 2017/18 projected underspend of £827,000 for the Policy & Resources Committee as at Period 8 to 30 November 2017; and
 - (2) that the Committee note the projected fund balance of £10,050 for the Common Good Fund and that action was agreed as part of the 2017/18 budget to begin increasing the fund balance to its recommended level.
- 88 General Fund Revenue Budget 2017/18 as at 30 November 2017 88**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the position of the General Fund Revenue Budget as at 30 November 2017 and (2) providing an update on the position of the General Fund Reserves and Earmarked Reserves.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the latest position of the 2017/18 Revenue Budget and the General Fund Reserves; and
 - (2) that the Committee note that the use of any Free Reserves will be considered as part of the 2018/20 Budget on 15 March 2018.
- 89 ICT Services Performance Update 89**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer providing an update on the Digital and ICT Strategies and associated issues.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the Performance Statistics Report and Action Plan updates for the Digital and ICT Strategies; and
 - (2) that the Committee note the conclusions of the Channel Shift Mobile App and Web Review and the contents of the update on the Scottish Public Sector Cyber Resilience Action Plan.
- 90 Welfare Reform Update 90**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) on the latest position in respect of the Council's response to ongoing Welfare Reform changes and (2) seeking approval for further time limited investment in projects.
- Decided:**
- (1) that the Committee note the latest developments in respect of Welfare Reform and the Council's response;
 - (2) that the Committee approve the proposals to continue investment in IHAF, IHeat, Starter Packs and an independent review of Advice Services as detailed in Section 8 of the report;
 - (3) that the next update report include information on local Registered Social

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Landlord (RSL) arrears and the processes operated by RSLs in this regard; and
 (4) that it be agreed that proposals for increasing the uptake of Credit Union accounts in schools be included in the report to be submitted to the Committee, as detailed in paragraph 8.3.

91 Inverclyde's Best Value Assurance Report Improvement Plan Progress Report 91

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive providing an update on the Inverclyde Best Value Assurance Report (BVAR) Improvement Plan for Inverclyde Council.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the progress made in relation to the BVAR Improvement actions set out in Appendix 1 to the report; and
- (2) that it be agreed that a progress report be submitted to the Committee every six months.

92 Corporate Services Progress Report 2017/18 92

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy providing an update on the achievement of key objectives during 2017/18 by the Council's Corporate Services, as detailed in the Education, Communities & Organisational Development and Environmental, Regeneration & Resources Corporate Directorate Improvement Plans (CDIPs) for 2016/19, focusing on improvement actions in (a) Finance and ICT, (b) Legal & Property Services, (c) Procurement, (d) Corporate Policy and (e) Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the progress made by the Council's Corporate Services during 2017/18 in delivering the two year improvement actions outlined in their respective CDIPs for 2016/19; and
- (2) that it be agreed to consider a third progress report at the meeting on 22 May 2018.

93 Results from the Citizens' Panel Summer 2017 Survey 93

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy advising the Committee of the headline results from the Citizens' Panel Summer 2017 Survey.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the main findings from the Citizens' Panel Summer 2017 Survey; and
- (2) that it be agreed to take account of the results of the survey when reviewing service delivery.

94 Common Good Budget 2018/19 94

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer seeking approval for the 2018/19 Common Good Budget.

Decided: that approval be given to the 2018/19 Common Good Budget as set out in Appendix 1 to the report and that it be noted that updates on the budget will be reported to each cycle of the Committee during 2018/19.

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| 95 | <p>Welfare Reform Budget</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing information on the Welfare Reforms recurring budget and earmarked reserves and the implications of the £266,000 saving proposed as part of the 2018/20 Revenue Budget.</p> <p>Decided: that, in light of the challenging financial position faced by the Council, the Committee approve the saving proposal, in principle, prior to its submission to the Council as part of the budget setting process.</p> | 95 |
| 96 | <p>Reduction in Revenue Implications of the Capital Programme Budget</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer seeking approval of the proposal to reduce the revenue implications of the Capital Programme budget by £87,000 as part of the 2018/20 Budget.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee approve the saving proposal, in principle, prior to its consideration by the Council as part of the budget setting process; and</p> <p>(2) that it be noted that Officers have developed a 3G Pitch Asset Management Plan in order that an appropriate allowance can be built into the Capital Programme proposals from 2019/20.</p> | 96 |
| 97 | <p>Review of Discretionary NDR Relief Policy</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer seeking approval of the Non-Domestic Rates (NDR) Discretionary Relief Policy in order to deliver a proposed saving as part of the 2018/20 Revenue Budget, prior to the proposals being considered by the Council.</p> <p>Decided: that approval be given to the changes to the Discretionary NDR Relief Policy detailed in the report prior to submission of the associated saving to the Council as part of the 2018/20 Budget.</p> | 97 |
| 98 | <p>Inverclyde Council Corporate Statement 2018/22</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy providing a timeline for the development of a new Inverclyde Council Corporate Statement 2018/22.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the timeline for the development of a new Inverclyde Council Corporate Statement 2018/22 as set out in Appendix 1 to the report; and</p> <p>(2) that it be noted that the new Corporate Statement 2018/22 will be submitted for approval and adoption to the meeting of the Inverclyde Council on 7 June 2018.</p> | 98 |
| 99 | <p>Accounts Commission Report - Local Government Financial Overview 2016/17</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the main issues raised in the recent Local Government Financial Overview report by the Accounts Commission and (2) highlighting actions proposed by Officers.</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee note the contents of the Accounts Commission report and approve the Action Plan set out in Appendix 1.</p> | 99 |

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| 100 | <p>Advice Provision in Inverclyde</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing the Committee with an overview of current advice provision within Inverclyde including the recently commissioned I:DEAS programme.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the current advice provision within Inverclyde; and</p> <p>(2) that the Committee note the commencement of the I:DEAS contract in Inverclyde.</p> | 100 |
| 101 | <p>Update on the Public Service Improvement Framework (PSIF)</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Corporate Policy providing an update on the Council's Public Service Improvement Framework (PSIF) programme.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note that the Council's 2017 PSIF programme is now complete and that each Service has produced an Improvement Plan; and</p> <p>(2) that the Committee note the new programme of PSIF assessments which are scheduled to take place in 2018.</p> | 101 |
| 102 | <p>People and Organisational Development Strategy 2017-2020 - Update</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications (1) providing an update on the key actions completed during 2017 and (2) setting out targets for 2018 to support the Council's People and Organisational Development Strategy 2017-2020.</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee note the key workforce planning actions outlined in Section 5 of the report which will support the Council to manage the workforce implications required to address the projected funding gap and also to support the Council's employees through the next period of significant change.</p> | 102 |
| 103 | <p>Dignity and Respect at Work and Equality and Diversity Policies</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications seeking approval to introduce a Dignity and Respect at Work Policy and an Equality and Diversity Policy.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee approve the Dignity and Respect at Work and Equality and Diversity Policies attached at Appendices 1 and 2 respectively;</p> <p>(2) that the Committee note that the policy statements will be kept under review and revised as and when necessary to reflect any changes in regulations or policy and also note that procedural guidelines on the application of the policy will be available for employees and managers;</p> <p>(3) that the Committee note that awareness training will also be arranged for employees and Elected Members; and</p> <p>(4) that the Committee approve extending the number of internal trained mediators involving employees from other areas of the Council.</p> | 103 |

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| 104 | <p>Committee Agenda Process</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services outlining changes to the Committee agenda process in order to (1) achieve a savings target of £10,000 in printing and stationery and (2) prepare for future modernisation and streamlining to paperless meetings.</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee approve the printing and circulation scheme set out in Section 5 of the report for implementation from the April 2018 cycle of meetings onwards.</p> | 104 |
| 105 | <p>Procurement Update and Working with Local Suppliers</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources (1) updating the Committee on the latest developments within Procurement and (2) providing details on how the Council's policies can be used and changed in relation to enabling more business to be awarded to local suppliers.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the progress on the Procurement Strategy and the policies and procedures in place in support of local suppliers and approve the increase in the percentage weighting used to assess Community Benefits from 5% to 10% for all construction contracts over £1m; and</p> <p>(2) that a report be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee providing benchmarking information in respect of other local authorities' use of Community Benefit weightings.</p> | 105 |
| 106 | <p>Great Place Scheme HLF Bid</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development advising the Committee of the successful outcome of the Great Place Scheme Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) bid submitted in September 2017 and the creation of a Heritage Outreach worker post funded by the HLF to support the delivery of the programme.</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee note the successful outcome of the funding bid and extend its appreciation to all staff involved in the submission of the bid.</p> | 106 |
| 107 | <p>Year of Young People 2018 – Inverclyde Plan</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development (1) on the work being undertaken to plan Inverclyde's contribution to the 2018 themed year, the Year of Young People and (2) seeking approval of the recommendation of the Education & Communities Committee to provide £20,000 additional funding to enhance the programme.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the requirement of the Council to develop a plan for the Year of Young People 2018; and</p> <p>(2) that agreement be given to funding of £20,000 to enhance Inverclyde's Year of Young People 2018 plan, as recommended by the Education & Communities Committee.</p> | 107 |

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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 during consideration of the following item on the ground that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 12 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

108 **Equal Pay Update**

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, Human Resources & Communications providing an update on the current position in relation to equal pay claims against the Council.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current position in relation to equal pay claims against the Council which are considered invalid;
- (2) that the Committee note that Officers will continue to seek external legal advice in order to address the outstanding claims; and
- (3) that an update report be submitted to the meeting of the Committee on 22 May 2018.

PLANNING BOARD – 7 FEBRUARY 2018

Planning Board

Wednesday 7 February 2018 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Dorrian, J McEleny, McKenzie, McVey, Moran, Murphy, Nelson and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Nelson presided.

In attendance: Head of Regeneration & Planning, Development & Buildings Standards Manager, Mr G Leitch and Ms E Provan (Environmental & Commercial Services), Mr J Kerr (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

109 **APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** 109

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

No declarations of interest were intimated.

110 **PLANNING APPLICATION** 110

There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning regarding an application for planning permission by Mr & Mrs D McGhee for a proposed extension to the rear of the property at 42 Lilybank Road, Port Glasgow (17/0338/IC).

Decided: that planning permission be granted.

LOCAL REVIEW BODY – 7 FEBRUARY 2018

Local Review Body

Wednesday 7 February 2018 at 4pm

Present: Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Dorrian, McKenzie, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson. Councillor Moran was present to participate in Agenda Item 2(b) only.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided for Agenda Items 1, 3(a) and 3(b), Councillor Clocherty presided for Agenda Item 2(a) and Councillor Nelson presided for Agenda Item 2(b).

In attendance: Ms M Pickett, Mr A Hamilton and Ms F Milne (Planning Advisers), Mr J Kerr (Legal Adviser) and Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services).

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

111 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 111

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

Councillor Wilson vacated the Chair at this juncture and both he and Councillor Nelson left the meeting. The Chair was assumed by Councillor Clocherty.

112 CONTINUED PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW 112

(a) **Proposed erection of raised decking and boundary fence: 3 Cardross Place, Greenock (17/0186/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the proposed erection of raised decking and a boundary fence at 3 Cardross Place, Greenock (17/0186/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh. Consideration of this item had been continued from (i) the meeting held on 1 November 2017 to enable the signatories of a signed document from neighbouring properties in support of the application to be consulted as interested parties and given the opportunity to make representations in accordance with the Town & Country Planning (Scheme of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 and (ii) the meeting held on 3 January 2018 for an unaccompanied site inspection.

Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, McKenzie and Rebecchi participated in consideration of this item of business.

Ms Pickett acted as Planning Adviser in relation to this case.

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 the boundary fence extending from the southern edge of the driveway shall not exceed a height of 1 metre for a length of 4 metres and thereafter shall maintain a height of 1.5 metres, in the interest of pedestrian and traffic safety.

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Councillor Nelson returned to the meeting at this juncture and assumed the Chair which was vacated by Councillor Clocherty.

**(b) Construction of two dwellinghouses:
Land between 34 and 36 Dunvegan Avenue, Gourock (17/0134/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the construction of two dwellinghouses on land between 34 and 36 Dunvegan Avenue, Gourock (17/0134/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh, consideration of which had been continued from the meeting held on 6 December 2017 for further information which had been submitted in accordance with the decision of the Board.

Councillors Crowther, Dorrian, McKenzie, Moran, Nelson and Rebecchi participated in consideration of this item of business. Councillor Clocherty, who was present for the item, did not participate in the discussion or decision making process.

Mr Hamilton acted as Planning Adviser in relation to this case.

After discussion, Councillor Dorrian moved:

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

(2) that the application for review be upheld and that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:

(i) that the development to which this permission relates must be begun within three years from the date of this permission, to comply with Section 58 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997;

(ii) that prior to the commencement of development, samples of all facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approved samples shall thereafter be used unless any alternatives are approved in writing by the Planning Authority, in the interests of visual amenity;

(iii) that prior to the commencement of development, full details of all boundary treatments shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The boundary treatments shall be erected in full prior to occupation of the associated dwellinghouse hereby approved, in the interests of the privacy of adjoining residents;

(iv) that prior to the commencement of development, full details of all soft and hard landscaping shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approved landscaping shall be carried out in full prior to occupation of the associated dwellinghouse hereby approved, in the interests of amenity and to prevent deleterious materials being carried onto the carriageway;

(v) that prior to the start of development, details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and that, for the avoidance of doubt, this shall contain a methodology and treatment statement where any is found. Development shall not proceed until appropriate control measures are implemented. Any significant variation to the treatment methodology shall be submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation, to help arrest the spread of Japanese Knotweed in the interests of environmental protection;

(vi) that the development shall not commence until an Environmental Investigation and Risk Assessment, including any necessary Remediation Scheme with timescale for implementation, of all pollutant linkages have been submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority. The investigations and assessment shall be site-specific and completed in accordance with current codes of practice. The submission shall also include a Verification Plan. Any subsequent modifications to the Remediation

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Scheme and Verification Plan must be approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority prior to implementation, to satisfactorily address potential contamination issues in the interests of human health and environmental safety;

(vii) that before the first of the residential units hereby permitted is occupied the applicant shall submit a report for approval, in writing, by the Planning Authority confirming that the works have been completed in accordance with the agreed Remediation Scheme and supply information as agreed in the Verification Plan. 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 all materials imported onto the site as fill or landscaping material. The details of such materials shall include information on the material source, volume, intended use and chemical quality with plans delineating placement and thickness, to ensure contamination is not imported to the site and confirm successful completion of remediation measures in the interest of human health and environmental safety; and

(viii) 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 and amendments to the Remediation Scheme shall not be implemented unless they have been submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority, to ensure that all contamination issues are recorded and dealt with appropriately.

As an amendment, Councillor Nelson moved:

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

(2) that the application for review be dismissed and that planning permission be refused (upholding the Appointed Officer's determination) for the following reasons:

(i) that the proposed development on an area of amenity open space would neither safeguard nor enhance the character and amenity of the area. Furthermore, the design of the proposed dwellings contrasts to an unacceptable degree with the existing adjacent dwellings, to the detriment of the visual amenity of the area. The proposal would therefore be contrary to Policy RES1 of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan; and

(ii) that the proposed development on an area of amenity open space of value in terms of its contribution to its surroundings and to the community would not support, safeguard or enhance the open space and would therefore be contrary to Policy ENV4 of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan.

On a vote, 1 Member, Councillor Nelson, voted in favour of the amendment and 4 Members, Councillors Crowther, Dorrian, McKenzie and Moran, voted in favour of the motion which was declared carried. Councillor Rebecchi abstained from voting.

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 following conditions:-

(i) that the development to which this permission relates must be begun within three years from the date of this permission, to comply with Section 58 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997;

(ii) that prior to the commencement of development, samples of all facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approved samples shall thereafter be used unless any alternatives are approved in writing by the Planning Authority, in the interests of visual amenity;

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- (iii) that prior to the commencement of development, full details of all boundary treatments shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The boundary treatments shall be erected in full prior to occupation of the associated dwellinghouse hereby approved, in the interests of the privacy of adjoining residents;
- (iv) that prior to the commencement of development, full details of all soft and hard landscaping shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approved landscaping shall be carried out in full prior to occupation of the associated dwellinghouse hereby approved, in the interests of amenity and to prevent deleterious materials being carried onto the carriageway;
- (v) that prior to the start of development, details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and that, for the avoidance of doubt, this shall contain a methodology and treatment statement where any is found. Development shall not proceed until appropriate control measures are implemented. Any significant variation to the treatment methodology shall be submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority prior to implementation, to help arrest the spread of Japanese Knotweed in the interests of environmental protection;
- (vi) that the development shall not commence until an Environmental Investigation and Risk Assessment, including any necessary Remediation Scheme with timescale for implementation, of all pollutant linkages have been submitted to and approved, in writing by the Planning Authority. The investigations and assessment shall be site-specific and completed in accordance with current codes of practice. The submission shall also include a Verification Plan. Any subsequent modifications to the Remediation Scheme and Verification Plan must be approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority prior to implementation, to satisfactorily address potential contamination issues in the interests of human health and environmental safety;
- (vii) that before the first of the residential units hereby permitted is occupied, the applicant shall submit a report for approval, in writing, by the Planning Authority confirming that the works have been completed in accordance with the agreed Remediation Scheme and supply information as agreed in the Verification Plan. 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 all materials imported onto the site as fill or landscaping material. The details of such materials shall include information on the material source, volume, intended use and chemical quality with plans delineating placement and thickness, to ensure contamination is not imported to the site and confirm successful completion of remediation measures in the interest of human health and environmental safety; and
- (viii) 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 and amendments to the Remediation Scheme shall not be implemented unless they have been submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority, to ensure that all contamination issues are recorded and dealt with appropriately.

Councillor Wilson returned to the meeting at this juncture and assumed the Chair which was vacated by Councillor Nelson.

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113 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW

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- (a) **Erection of a new dwellinghouse:
100m Southwest of the main house at Torridon, Glenmosston Road, Kilmacolm
(16/0160/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the erection of a new dwellinghouse 100m southwest of the main house at Torridon, Glenmosston Road, Kilmacolm (16/0160/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Dorrian, McKenzie, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

Ms Milne acted as Planning Adviser in relation to this case.

Mr Kerr referred to new matters raised by the applicant's agent in the form of (a) a Scottish Wildlife Trust Reserve Agreement for Glen Moss Wildlife Reserve, (b) a Decision Notice in respect of conditional planning permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Knapps, Houston Road, Kilmacolm dated 7 June 2012, (c) a report to the Planning Board of 6 June 2012 in respect of the erection of a dwellinghouse at Knapps, Houston Road, Kilmacolm and (d) a listing schedule for Knapps House, Houston Road, Kilmacolm. He asked the Local Review Body whether it wished to have regard to the new matters in determining the application for review of refusal of planning permission in terms of Section 43B of the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997. It was agreed that the Local Review Body consider the new matters and copies were circulated.

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 following conditions:-
 - (i) that the development to which this permission relates must be begun within three years from the date of this permission, to comply with Section 58 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997;
 - (ii) that prior to the commencement of development, samples of all facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The approved samples shall thereafter be used unless any alternatives are approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority, in the interests of visual amenity;
 - (iii) that prior to the commencement of development, full details of all boundary treatments shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The boundary treatments shall be erected in full prior to occupation of the associated dwellinghouse hereby approved, in the interests of the privacy of adjoining residents;
 - (iv) that prior to the commencement of development, full details of all soft and hard landscaping shall be submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority. The approved landscaping shall be carried out in full prior to occupation of the associated dwellinghouse hereby approved, in the interests of amenity and to prevent deleterious materials being carried onto the carriageway;

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- (v) that prior to the start of development, details of a survey for the presence of Japanese Knotweed shall be submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority and that, for the avoidance of doubt, this shall contain a methodology and treatment statement where any is found. Development shall not proceed until appropriate control measures are implemented. Any significant variation to the treatment methodology shall be submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority, prior to implementation, to help arrest the spread of Japanese Knotweed in the interests of environmental protection;
- (vi) that the development shall not commence until an Environmental Investigation and Risk Assessment, including any necessary Remediation Scheme with timescale for implementation, of all pollutant linkages have been submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority. The investigations and assessment shall be site-specific and completed in accordance with current codes of practice. The submission shall also include a Verification Plan. Any subsequent modifications to the Remediation Scheme and Verification Plan must be approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority prior to implementation, to satisfactorily address potential contamination issues in the interests of human health and environmental safety;
- (vii) that before the dwellinghouse hereby permitted is occupied, the applicant shall submit a report for approval, in writing, by the Planning Authority, confirming that the works have been completed in accordance with the agreed Remediation Scheme and supply information as agreed in the Verification Plan. 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 all materials imported onto the site as fill or landscaping material. The details of such materials shall include information on the material source, volume, intended use and chemical quality with plans delineating placement and thickness, to ensure contamination is not imported to the site and to confirm successful completion of remediation measures in the interest of human health and environmental safety;
- (viii) 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 and amendments to the Remediation Scheme shall not be implemented unless they have been submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority, to ensure that all contamination issues are recorded and dealt with appropriately;
- (ix) that tree protection measures in accordance with the latest BS 5837 guidance shall be erected prior to the commencement of development and shall remain in place thereafter until the completion of all elements of construction, to ensure the protection of trees;
- (x) that the driveway shall be a minimum of 4.8 metres wide to allow two vehicles to pass, in the interests of traffic safety;
- (xi) that the driveway gradient shall not exceed 10%, to ensure the driveway will be usable;
- (xii) that the first 2 metres of the driveway, as measured from the edge of the carriageway, shall be finished in a hard sealed surface, to prevent deleterious materials being carried onto the carriageway;
- (xiii) that a visibility splay of 2.4 metres by 43 metres by 1.05 metres high shall be provided at all times, in the interests of traffic safety;
- (xiv) that the minimum internal dimensions for the garage shall be 7 metres by 3 metres, to accord with the adopted National Roads Guidelines; and

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(xv) that all surface water must be contained within the site. Drainage arrangements shall be submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development, to avoid the creation of flooding.

**(d) Change of use to vehicle repair workshop and external works (in retrospect):
32 Mearns Street, Greenock (17/0180/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the change of use to vehicle repair workshop and external works (in retrospect) at 32 Mearns Street, Greenock (17/0180/IC) to enable the Local Review Body to consider the matter afresh.

Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, Dorrian, McKenzie, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson participated in consideration of this item of business.

Ms Milne acted as Planning Adviser in relation to this case.

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 the premises shall not operate, inclusive of deliveries or collections, between the hours of 23:00 and 07:00, to protect the amenities of occupiers of premises from unreasonable noise and vibration levels.

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 14 FEBRUARY 2018

General Purposes Board

Wednesday 14 February 2018 at 3pm

Present: Provost Brennan, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Crowther, Curley, Dorrian, J McEleny, Moran, Quinn and Robertson (for MacLeod).

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr D Keenan (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services) and Inspector L McLaren and Constable D McEwan (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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| 114 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 114 |
| | <p>An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor MacLeod with Councillor Robertson substituting.</p> <p>No declarations of interest were intimated.</p> <p>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.</p> | |
| 115 | Application for Taxi Driver's Licence | 115 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence. Following consideration, and following a vote, the application was granted, all as detailed in the appendix.</p> | |
| 116 | Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence | 116 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on a request for the immediate suspension of a Taxi Driver's Licence. Following consideration, the Board (1) upheld the immediate suspension of the Licence and (2) agreed to continue the suspension for the unexpired portion of the Licence, all as detailed in the appendix.</p> | |
| 117 | Application for Taxi Driver's Licence | 117 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence. Following consideration, and following a vote, the application was granted, all as detailed in the appendix.</p> | |