

**POLICY AND RESOURCES EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE - 2 SEPTEMBER 2008**

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**Policy and Resources Executive Sub-Committee**

**Tuesday 2 September 2008 at 5 pm**

**Present:** Councillors White (for Blair), Brooks, Clocherty, McCabe, McKenzie and Wilson.

**Chair:** Councillor McCabe presided.

**In attendance:** Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education & Social Care, Corporate Director Improvement & Performance, Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Corporate Communications & Public Affairs, Head of Economic & Social Regeneration, Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Administration), Head of Performance Management & Procurement and Head of Property Resources & Facilities Management.

**Apologies:** Councillor Blair.

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

**The Convener being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Head of Property Resources & Facilities Management was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration to allow the Sub-Committee, if in agreement, to authorise the funding proposals without delay. This was unanimously agreed in terms of the relevant Standing Order.**

**558 Lady Octavia Sports Centre - Proposed Synthetic Pitch**

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Property Resources & Facilities Management (1) advising the Sub-Committee of additional works required in connection with the Lady Octavia Sports Centre proposed synthetic pitch and (2) seeking approval of proposed action to contain expenditure within existing budgets.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Sub-Committee note the revised cost of £560,000 for the proposed synthetic pitch at Lady Octavia Sports Centre;
- (2) that approval be given for the allocation of funding for the increased costs on the basis set out in the report; and
- (3) that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Administration in consultation with the Convener, Vice-Convener and a Member of the Minority Groups to accept the lowest acceptable tender for the works in accordance with the revised funding proposals.

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

**Item**

**Paragraph(s)**

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**Fairer Scotland Fund - Award of Contracts** **4 and 6**

**Insurance Tender 2008/2013** **6 and 8**

**559 Fairer Scotland Fund - Award of Contracts**

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources seeking delegated authority for the disbursement of funds from the Fairer Scotland Fund through the award of contracts by Inverclyde Council, as accountable body, on behalf of the Inverclyde Alliance.

The Sub-Committee decided to delegate authority to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources (1) to award contracts on behalf of the Inverclyde Alliance, (2) to set up commissioning groups on behalf of the Alliance and where appropriate to commission services, (3) to take action in connection with the re-tendering of a particular function, (4) to evaluate, in collaboration with the Inverclyde Alliance Appraisal Group and Sub-Group, services identified on a number of specific projects and to award contracts for the provision of the services with the approval of the Alliance Board, (5) to continue transitional funding arrangements for projects for which further work is required and (6) to submit a report on the impact on Council services to the November meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee, all as detailed in the appendix.

**The Convener being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Chief Financial Officer was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration to allow the Sub-Committee to be advised of the results of the tender exercise at the earliest opportunity. This was unanimously agreed in terms of the relevant Standing Order.**

**560 Insurance Tender 2008/2013**

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) on the results of the tender exercise for the provision of insurance cover for the Council for the period October 2008 to September 2013 and (2) making recommendations in this connection.

**Decided:** that agreement be given to the Council's insurance contract being split between Zurich Municipal and Risk Management Partners with a 5 year Long Term Agreement, on the basis set out in the report.