### **Regeneration Committee**

## Thursday 29 October 2009 at 3.00 pm

**Present:** Councillors Ahlfeld, Blair, Clocherty, Dorrian (for Loughran), McCallum, McCabe, McKenzie, MacLeod, Nelson, Osborne and Rebecchi (for White).

Chair: Councillor Clocherty presided.

**In attendance:** Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources, Mr H MacMaster (for Chief Financial Officer), Head of Economic & Social Regeneration, Mr H McNeilly (for Head of Legal & Administration), Head of Property Resources & Facilities Management, Physical Investment Services Manager and Mr M Bingham (for Head of Corporate Communications & Public Affairs).

**Apologies:** Councillors Loughran and White.

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

## 681 Revenue Budget 2009/10 - Period 5

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources on the position of the Revenue Budget 2009/10 as at Period 5 (31 August 2009) which showed a projected underspend of £103,000.

#### Decided:

- (1) that the current projected underspend of £103,000 for 2009/10, as at 31 August 2009, be noted; and
- (2) that the virement request totalling £18,000 as detailed in paragraph 7.1 and Appendix 4 of the report be approved.

## 682 Building Services Trading Account Revenue Budget 2009/10 - Period 5

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources on the position of the Building Services Trading Account 2009/10 as at Period 5 (31 August 2009) which showed a projected cash surplus of £106,000.

Noted

# 683 Capital Programme 2009/10 to 2011/12 - Progress

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources and the Chief Financial Officer on the position of the Capital Programme 2009/10 to 2011/12. (Councillor Blair entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

## **Noted**

## 684 Regeneration and Resources Directorate Performance Report

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources on the performance of Property Resources & Facilities Management and Economic & Social Regeneration in achieving their key objectives as set out in the Regeneration and

Resources Directorate Plan 2008 - 2011 and how they have contributed to the achievement of key corporate priorities.

**Decided:** that the Committee endorse the performance information contained in the report and note that further reports on performance will be presented to future meetings of the Committee.

## 685 Community Council Review Update

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the ongoing review of Community Councils at a national level and within Inverciyde.

#### Decided:

- (1) that agreement be given to the consultation process for review of the Council's Scheme of Community Councils as detailed in Appendix A to the report; and
- (2) that the proposals for Community Council boundaries as set out in Appendix B to the report be approved for consultation with all Community Councils and the general public.

## 686 Future Jobs Fund - Update

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources together with amended appendix on the current position of the Future Jobs Fund.

The Head of Economic and Social Regeneration advised the Committee that, as at the date of the meeting, 100 job opportunities had been confirmed.

#### Decided:

- (1) that the Future Jobs Fund position statement as described within the report be noted:
- (2) that the current shortfall in available jobs, which is being addressed, including looking at further opportunities within the local authority, be noted;
- (3) that authority be delegated to the Head of Economic & Social Regeneration to pursue additional environmental improvement projects which are identified as suitable for inclusion in the project; and
- (4) that the recruitment and appointment of a Monitoring Officer on a fixed term contract be noted.

## 687 Inverciyde's Labour Market Performance - Update

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources informing the Committee of Inverclyde's current labour market position relative to its neighbouring authorities within the Clyde Valley Community Planning Partnership area.

**Decided:** that the Committee note the current and anticipated labour market performance in Inverclyde and that efforts to address some of these issues are currently underway.

## 688 Inverclyde Construction Plus

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources on the current position regarding the development of Inverciyde Construction Plus.

#### Noted

| Funders' Fayre   |
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| There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources on the outcome of the Funders' Fayre held in Greenock Town Hall on 3 September 2009. <b>Decided:</b>   |
| (1) that the Committee note the progress being made to encourage take-up of external funding sources; and  |
| (2) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources to report to the Committee in 2010 on the number of successful applications by the funders participating in the event.  |
| Summer Playschemes 2009  |
| There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources (1) on the summer playschemes and special events programme 2009 and (2) providing associated statistical information.  Decided:  |
| (1) that the contents of the report and the action taken by the Economic & Social Regeneration Service to ensure a wide-ranging summer playscheme programme be noted;  |
| (2) that a report recommending options for next year's playscheme be submitted to the Committee by May 2010; and   |
| (3) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources to bring forward a review of the charges for playschemes as part of the budget setting process for 2010/11.   |
| Events Update  |
| There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources (1) providing an update on events which have taken place over the last few months and highlighting preparations for forthcoming events and (2) on proposals to improve the efficiency of future events.  Decided:  |
| <ul> <li>(1) that the Committee note the progress of events to date during 2009 and the preparations being made to promote events for the remainder of the financial year;</li> <li>(2) that a review of the Best Kept Garden event be carried out and recommendations for the future of the event be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee;</li> <li>(3) that the Policy &amp; Resources Committee be requested to approve a Christmas switch-on event in Quarrier's Village this year and an allocation of £1,000 from the</li> </ul> |
| Common Good Fund for this purpose; (4) that it be remitted to the Head of Economic & Social Regeneration in conjunction with the Head of Performance Management & Procurement to procure services related to events on an annual basis; and  |
| (5) that the Committee's congratulations for organising an excellent events diary 2009 be conveyed to the Events Team.   |
| Accord for the Protection of Children in Scottish Sport  |
| There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources on the Accord for the Protection of Children in Scottish Sports which provides a support   |

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#### Decided:

- (1) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources on behalf of the Council to sign up to the Accord for the Protection of Children in Scottish Sport; and
- (2) that the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources produce an action plan through the Sports Strategy Group to take forward the key elements of the Accord.

## 693 Commonwealth Games National Legacy Plan

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources on a document "On Your Marks ..." issued by the Scottish Government on the legacy plans for the Commonwealth Games to be held in Glasgow in 2014, a summarised version of which was appended to the report.

#### Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the National Legacy Plan "On Your Marks ..."; and
- (2) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources to submit Inverclyde's Legacy Plan to a future meeting of the Committee as soon as practicable.

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) |
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| Greenock Arts Guild - Update   | 6 and 9      |
| Gourock Central Development  | 2, 6 and 9   |
| Ground at Kempock Street, Gourock  | 2, 6 and 9   |
| Non-Operational Property Portfolio Information Scheme of Delegation Register | 2, 6 and 9   |
| Land at Burns Road, Greenock   | 2, 6 and 9   |
| Land at Kilmacolm Road, Greenock   | 2, 6 and 9   |
| Land at Moray Road, Port Glasgow   | 2, 6 and 9   |

## 694 Greenock Arts Guild - Update

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources updating the Committee on the Greenock Arts Guild project.

**Decided:** that the terms of the report be noted and it be noted that a further report on the revenue aspects of the new theatre will be submitted to the next meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee.

| 695 | Gourock Central Development  | 695 |
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|     | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources on the progress with development options at the Gourock central area and making recommendations in connection therewith. Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix. |     |
| 696 | Ground at Kempock Street, Gourock  | 696 |
|     | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources seeking approval to re-advertise a site at Kempock Street, Gourock for sale on the open market. Following consideration, the Committee agreed to continue consideration of the matter, all as detailed in the appendix.            |     |
| 697 | Non-Operational Property Portfolio Information Scheme of Delegation Register   | 697 |
|     | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources providing information relative to non-operational property for the period March to September 2009.  Noted  |     |
| 698 | Land at Burns Road, Greenock   | 698 |
|     | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for the disposal of land at Burns Road, Greenock and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.   |     |
| 699 | Land at Kilmacolm Road, Greenock   | 699 |
|     | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for the disposal of land at Kilmacolm Road, Greenock and the Committee agreed to take action, all as detailed in the appendix.  |     |
| 700 | Land at Moray Road, Port Glasgow   | 700 |
|     | There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources  |     |

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Resources seeking approval for the sale of land at Moray Road, Port Glasgow and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.