

THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL – 14 APRIL 2011

The Inverclyde Council

Thursday 14 April 2011 at 4 pm

Present: Provost McCormick, Councillors Ahlfeld, Blair, Brooks, Clocherty, Dorrian, Grieve, Loughran, MacLeod, McCabe, McCallum, McIlwee, McKenzie, Moran, Nelson, Osborne, Rebecchi, White and Wilson.

Chair: Provost McCormick presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Legal & Democratic Services, Head of Mental Health, Addictions and Homelessness Services, Mr M McNab (for Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities), Legal Services Manager (Procurement & Administration), Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications & Public Affairs) and Service Manager (Community Learning & Development).

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

No declarations of interest were intimated.

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262	The Inverclyde Council – 24 February 2011	262
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Approved on the motion of Provost McCormick.

263	The Inverclyde Council (Special) – 24 February 2011	263
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Approved on the motion of Provost McCormick.

264	Audit Committee – 1 March 2011	264
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Approved on the motion of Councillor Blair.

265	Planning Board – 2 March 2011	265
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Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson subject to the inclusion of an apology for absence on behalf of Councillor Rebecchi.

266	Local Review Body – 2 March 2011	266
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Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson subject to the inclusion of an apology for absence on behalf of Councillor Rebecchi.

267	Inverclyde CHCP Sub-Committee – 3 March 2011	267
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Approved on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.

268 Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee – 8 March 2011 268

Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson.

269 General Purposes Board – 9 March 2011 269

Approved on the motion of Councillor Ahlfeld subject to the inclusion of an apology for absence on behalf of Councillor Rebecchi.

270 Regeneration Committee – 10 March 2011 270

Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.

271 Policy & Resources Executive Sub-Committee – 14 March 2011 271

Approved on the motion of Councillor McKenzie.

272 Education & Lifelong Learning Committee – 15 March 2011 272

Approved on the motion of Councillor McKenzie.

273 Grants Sub-Committee – 29 March 2011 273

Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.

274 Policy & Resources Committee – 29 March 2011 274

Approved on the motion of Councillor McKenzie.

275 Planning Board – 6 April 2011 275

Approved on the motion of Councillor Wilson.

276 General Purposes Board – 13 April 2011 276

Approved on the motion of Councillor Ahlfeld.

277 Political Balance on and Membership of Committees and Outside Bodies 277

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive (1) highlighting the requirement to ensure political balance on Committees and Outside Bodies, (2) advising of the resignation of Councillor Clocherty from the Audit Committee and requesting the Council to fill the resultant vacancy and (3) requesting the Council to consider whether if it would wish to make any changes in appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies. Councillor McKenzie seconded by Councillor Loughran moved that Councillor McCabe replace Councillor Clocherty on the Audit Committee and this was agreed. Councillor McKenzie seconded by Councillor Clocherty moved a number of changes to appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies and these were agreed.

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Councillor Wilson seconded by Councillor Nelson then moved that Councillor Brooks be appointed Vice-Chair of the Planning Board in place of Councillor Fyfe. As an amendment, Councillor Blair seconded by Councillor Rebecchi moved that Councillor Fyfe remain as Vice-Chair of the Planning Board. On a vote, 2 Members voted for the amendment and 17 for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided:

- (1) that the terms of the report be noted;
- (2) that Councillor McCabe replace Councillor Clocherty on the Audit Committee;
- (3) that Councillor Ahlfeld replace Councillor Clocherty as Convener and Councillor McCabe replace Councillor Ahlfeld as Vice-Convener of the Regeneration Committee;
- (4) that Councillor Loughran replace Councillor McKenzie as Convener and Councillor McKenzie replace Councillor Loughran as Vice-Convener of the Education & Lifelong Learning Committee;
- (5) that Councillor White replace Councillor McKenzie on the Planning Board;
- (6) that Councillor White replace Councillor McKenzie on the General Purposes Board, and replace Councillor Ahlfeld as Chair, and that Councillor Ahlfeld replace Councillor McKenzie as Vice-Chair;
- (7) that Councillor Loughran replace Councillor McCabe as a member of the Renfrewshire Valuation Joint Board and that Councillor McCabe become a substitute member;
- (8) that Councillor Clocherty replace Councillor McCabe on the Inverclyde Alliance Board;
- (9) that Councillor Ahlfeld replace Councillor Clocherty on the COSLA Regeneration & Sustainable Development Executive Group;
- (10) that Councillor Clocherty replace Councillor McKenzie on the COSLA Resources & Capacity Executive Group;
- (11) that Councillor Ahlfeld replace Councillor Clocherty on the Greenock Arts Guild Board;
- (12) that Councillor Dorrian replace Councillor McKenzie on Inverclyde Leisure;
- (13) that Councillor Loughran replace Councillor McKenzie on River Clyde Homes Board; and
- (14) that Councillor Brooks be appointed Vice-Chair of the Planning Board in place of Councillor Fyfe.

278 **Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - Disabled Persons' Parking Places (On Street) Order No 4 2010**

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment on the proposed Traffic Regulation Order – Disabled Persons' Parking Places (On Street) Order No 4 2010.

Resolved on the motion of Councillor McKenzie seconded by Councillor Clocherty that THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL incorporated under the Local Government etc (Scotland) Act 1994 RESOLVE TO MAKE as they HEREBY MAKE a Resolution under Section 32(1) and Part (III) of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to permit the provision of parking places for disabled persons who hold a badge under the Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) (Scotland) Regulations 2000 as amended, all as detailed in a copy of the Order forming a supplement to the principal minute hereof and that the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Democratic Services be authorised to take all necessary action in connection therewith.

279 **Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy 2011/12 - 2013/14 - Remit from Policy & Resources Committee**

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment requesting the Council to consider a remit from the Policy & Resources Committee of 29 March 2011 relative to the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy 2011/12 – 2013/14.

Decided: that approval be given to the Treasury Management Strategy, Annual Investment Strategy, Treasury Policy Limits, Prudential Indicators, Treasury Management Indicators and List of Permitted Investments (including those for the Common Good Fund) outlined in the report to the Policy & Resources Committee.

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 on the grounds that consideration of the following item involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act, as detailed in the minute of the relevant Committee, Sub-Committee or Board.

Appendices to Minutes

280	Inverclyde CHCP Sub-Committee – 3 March 2011	280
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McIlwee.	
281	Regeneration Committee – 10 March 2011	281
	Approved on the motion of Councillor Clocherty.	
282	Policy & Resources Committee – 29 March 2011	282
	Approved on the motion of Councillor McKenzie.	

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The Inverclyde Council

Thursday 14 April 2011 at 4.30 pm

Present: Provost McCormick, Councillors Ahlfeld, Blair, Brooks, Clocherty, Dorrian, Grieve, Loughran, MacLeod, McCabe, McCallum, McIlwee, McKenzie, Moran, Nelson, Osborne, Rebecchi, White and Wilson.

Chair: Provost McCormick presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment, Head of Legal & Democratic Services, Head of Mental Health, Addictions & Homelessness Services, Mr M McNab (for Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities), Legal Services Manager (Procurement & Administration), Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications & Public Affairs) and Service Manager (Community Learning & Development).

283 Apologies and Declarations of Interest

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

No declarations of interest were intimated.

284 Review of the Scheme of Administration for Community Councils

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities (1) advising that there were no responses to the public consultation on areas and composition or on the final draft amended Scheme of Administration for Community Councils and associated documentation and (2) requesting the Council to formally approve the Scheme. The report advised that an amendment had been made to clause 7 of the Model Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils in Scotland to ensure those resident on houseboats can stand for election and vote at Community Council elections.

After discussion, Councillor Blair seconded by Councillor Nelson moved (1) that the Council note that there have been no responses to the four week period of consultation on the final draft amended Scheme of Administration for Community Councils; (2) that the amendment to clause 7 of the Model Scheme of Establishment of Community Councils be approved; and (3) that the final draft amended Scheme of Administration for Community Councils in Inverclyde be approved. As an amendment to (3), Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Wilson moved that, subject to Community Councils 2 and 3 (Port Glasgow East and Port Glasgow West) being merged to create a single Community Council for Port Glasgow, the final draft amended Scheme of Administration for Community Councils in Inverclyde be approved. On a vote, 5 Members voted for the amendment and 11 for the motion which was declared carried.

Decided:

(1) that the Council note that there have been no responses to the four week period of consultation on the final draft amended Scheme of Administration for Community Councils;

(2) that the amendment to clause 7 of the Model Scheme of Establishment of Community Councils be approved; and

(3) **Resolved** on the motion of Councillor Blair seconded by Councillor Nelson that THE INVERCLYDE COUNCIL, incorporated under the Local Government etc (Scotland) Act 1994, RESOLVE TO ADOPT as they HEREBY ADOPT the final draft amended

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Scheme of Administration for Community Councils in Inverclyde, a copy of which forms an appendix to the principal minute hereof.

AUDIT COMMITTEE - 26 APRIL 2011

Audit Committee

Tuesday 26 April 2011 at 3 pm

Present: Provost McCormick, Councillors Blair, Brooks, Dorrian, Fyfe, MacLeod, McCallum and Nelson.

Chair: Councillor Blair presided.

In attendance: Head of Legal & Democratic Services, Chief Internal Auditor and Ms J Buchanan (for Chief Financial Officer).

Present Also: Ms E Boyd (Audit Scotland).

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

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| 285 | <p>Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest</p> <p>Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Ahlfeld and Mr Tait (Audit Scotland).</p> <p>Councillor MacLeod declared an interest in Agenda Item 4 (Internal Audit Progress Report - 7 February to 1 April 2011).</p> | 285 |
| 286 | <p>Risk Management Progress Report</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment advising Members of the progress made on Risk Management since the meeting of the Committee on 1 March 2011.</p> <p>Noted</p> | 286 |
| 287 | <p>External Audit Action Plan - Outstanding Actions</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment advising Members of outstanding actions from External Audit Action Plans at 28 February 2011.</p> <p>Decided: that the matters raised in the report be noted.</p> | 287 |
| 288 | <p>Internal Audit Progress Report - 7 February to 1 April 2011</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment presenting to Members the monitoring report of Internal Audit activity from 7 February to 1 April 2011.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Education & Communities to contact the Chief Executive of Inverclyde Leisure on behalf of the Committee regarding the outstanding issue contained within the report; and</p> <p>(2) that the progress made by Internal Audit during the reporting period be noted.</p> | 288 |

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289 Internal Audit - Annual Plan 2011-12**289**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment presenting to Members the Internal Audit Annual Plan for 2011-12.

Decided: that the Internal Audit Annual Plan for 2011-12 be approved.

INVERCLYDE COMMUNITY HEALTH & CARE PARTNERSHIP SUB-COMMITTEE - 28 APRIL 2011

Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership Sub-Committee

Thursday 28 April 2011 at 3.00 pm

Present: Councillors G Dorrian, T Fyfe, J MacLeod, S McCabe and J McIlwee (Inverclyde Council); Dr M Kapasi and Mr K Winter, Non-Executive Directors, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Health Board; Ms D McCrone, Staff Partnership Forum; Mrs N McFadden, Public Partnership Forum; Dr L Bidwell, Professional Executive Group; and Mr R Murphy, Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership.

Chair: Councillor McIlwee presided.

In attendance: Head of Planning, Health Improvement & Commissioning, Head of Mental Health, Addictions & Homelessness Service, Ms M Cook (for Chief Financial Officer), Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications & Public Affairs) and Project Manager - Your Voice Inverclyde Community Care Forum.

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

290 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 290

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

291 2010/11 Community Health and Care Partnership - Financial Report as at Period 11 to 28 February 2011 291

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership on the 2010/11 Revenue and Capital Budget position as at Period 11 to 28 February 2011.

Decided:

- (1) that the current projected revenue underspend for 2010/11 of £272,000 as at 28 February 2011 be noted;
- (2) that the current projected capital position for 2010/11 which is on target as at 28 February 2011 be noted; and
- (3) that approval be given to the Revenue Budget virements relating to Social Work budgets, detailed in appendix 7 to the report.

292 Clinical Governance Annual Report 2010/11 292

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership on the 2010/11 Clinical Governance Annual Report.

(Ms D McCrone entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided: that the 2010/11 Clinical Governance Annual Report appended to the report be noted.

293 Workforce Monitoring Report 293

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership providing an update on workforce issues and developments including

progress made in meeting workforce targets.

Decided: that the Sub-Committee note the contents of the report and the progress made in meeting workforce targets.

294 CHCP Development Plan Update 2011/12

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership (1) on the final draft of the CHCP Development Plan Update 2011/12 and (2) recommending that the Sub-Committee take action in this regard.

Decided:

(1) that the Sub-Committee approve the draft CHCP Development Plan Update 2011/12 and agree that this accurately represents the planning context of the CHCP in terms of both Council and NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde planning requirements for the current planning round (2010/2013) and reflects the good work undertaken by Inverclyde CHCP in taking forward actions relating to key performance targets;

(2) that the Sub-Committee note the actions identified in the Plan Update for completion in 2011/12 and the performance/change indicators associated with these actions; and

(3) that it be noted that the actions and indicators included in the Plan will be used as the basis for Organisational Performance Reviews.

295 Reshaping Care for Older People - Local Change Plan

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership on the progress made in the development of a Local Change Plan which will drive forward the Reshaping Care for Older People Directive under the auspices of the Change Fund, as reported to the last meeting of the Sub-Committee.

Decided:

(1) that approval be given to the outline action plan for implementation; and

(2) that a further report be submitted to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee on the development of services to meet the targets presented in the Plan.

296 Involving People in Inverclyde CHCP

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There was submitted a report by the Chair of the Inverclyde Public Partnership Forum (PPF) (1) on proposals brought together by members of the PPF and officers of Inverclyde CHCP and Your Voice to strengthen the involvement of people in the work of Inverclyde CHCP, (2) describing the network of engagement which can be utilised by the CHCP in engaging with the people of Inverclyde and (3) seeking approval of arrangements for involving people in the CHCP now that integration has been achieved, with particular reference to proposals to broaden the PPF, introduce a PPF Advisory Group and develop a CHCP People Involvement Framework.

Decided:

(1) that the Sub-Committee note the intention of the PPF and wider networks for the elected Chair of the PPF Executive Group (as was) to continue as the representative of the community on the CHCP Sub-Committee and, in line with current arrangements, to oversee the processes of involving people in support of the relevant officers within the CHCP and Your Voice, until the PPF Advisory Group is established and a Chair elected, at which time the PPF Advisory Group Chair will assume the community representation seat on the CHCP Sub-Committee;

(2) that it be noted that in line with the timescales of the working agreement, the PPF Executive Group was disbanded at its meeting on 24 March 2011 pending the election of

new office bearers between April and June 2011;

(3) that approval be given to the proposal to create a PPF Advisory Group for the CHCP, sitting alongside the Your Voice Board, to act as a management/executive group of the wider PPF virtual network, to direct and advise on people involvement activity and to receive reports from services in relation to service user, carer involvement and public issues;

(4) that approval be given to the representation of the public on the PPF Advisory Group drawn from the Your Voice/CVS/Carer Centre and other community networks; and

(5) that approval be given to the development of a CHCP People Involvement Framework to direct internal and external engagement with the people of Inverclyde and govern feedback for issues raised.

297 Protection of Vulnerable Groups

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership seeking approval to establish a revised disclosure process for those individuals who fall outwith the scope of the newly established Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) scheme.

Decided: that approval be given to the establishment of a revised disclosure process as described in the report which is complementary to the PVG scheme for Disclosure Scotland applications made in respect of defined categories of individuals.

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.

298 Children's Hearings (Legal Representatives) (Scotland) Rules 2001 - Panel of Legal Representatives

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment seeking approval for the reappointment of individuals previously appointed by the Council as Legal Representatives to provide services required by Children's Hearings.

Decided:

(1) that agreement be given to the reappointment of the Legal Representatives listed in the appendix to the report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2014 subject to no subsequent adverse comments being received by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services; and

(2) that authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to approve any further appointments of Legal Representatives to 30 June 2014 as necessary, subject to the applicants meeting the criteria set out in the report.

299 Children (Scotland) Act 1995, Section 41 - Panel of Safeguarders

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment seeking approval for the reappointment of individuals previously appointed by the Council as Safeguarders for the purposes of Children's Hearings and proceedings in the Sheriff Court.

The Sub-Committee agreed (1) to the reappointments detailed, with the inclusion of one individual who had been omitted from the list, subject to no adverse comments being received by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services and (2) that authority be granted to

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the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to approve any further appointments of Safeguarders to 30 June 2014 as necessary, subject to the applicants meeting the criteria set out in the report, all as detailed in the appendix.

300 Curators Ad Litem and Reporting Officers (Panels) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 300

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment seeking approval for the reappointment of individuals previously appointed by the Council to serve as Curators Ad Litem and Reporting Officers for the purposes of Children's Hearings and proceedings in the Sheriff Court.

Decided:

- (1) that agreement be given to the reappointment of the Curators Ad Litem and Reporting Officers listed in the appendix to the report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2014, subject to no subsequent adverse comments being received by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services; and
- (2) that authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to approve any further appointments of Curators Ad Litem and Reporting Officers to 30 June 2014 as necessary, subject to the applicants meeting the criteria set out in the report.

301 Next Meeting 301

It was agreed that the next meeting which, subject to approval of the Committee Timetable for 2011/12 by the Inverclyde Council on 9 June 2011, would take place on Thursday 25 August 2011, should be the annual meeting of the Health & Social Care Committee required under Order 7.4.0 of the Council's Scheme of Administration.

SAFE, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE - 3 MAY 2011

Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee**Tuesday 3 May 2011 at 3.00 pm**

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Dorrian, MacLeod, McCabe, McKenzie (for Moran), Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Education and Communities, Head of Regeneration and Planning, Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, Mr R Graham and Mr W Rennie (Environmental & Commercial Services), Mr D Hall and Mr M McNab (Safer & Inclusive Communities), Mrs M McCabe (for Chief Financial Officer), Mr F MacLeod (Regeneration & Planning), Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

Present also: Mr D Greenslade (former Team Leader, Roads Service).

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

302	Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest	302
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Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Grieve, McIlwee, Moran and White, with Councillor McKenzie substituting for Councillor Moran.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

303	Safe, Sustainable Communities 2010/11 Revenue Budget Period 11 to 28 February 2011	303
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There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer, Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment and Corporate Director Education & Communities on the position of the 2010/11 Revenue Budget as at Period 11 (28 February 2011) which projected an underspend of £39,000.

Noted

304	Safe, Sustainable Communities Capital Programme 2010/14 - Progress	304
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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment, Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Director Education & Communities on the position of the Safe, Sustainable Communities Capital Programme 2010/14.

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305	Inverclyde Local Development Plan: Main Issues Report	305
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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment presenting to Members the finalised version of the Inverclyde Local Development Plan: Main Issues Report and seeking endorsement of its contents and approval for it to be published for public consultation.

Decided: that the Committee approve publication of the Inverclyde Local Development

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Plan: Main Issues Report for public consultation.

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| 306 | Scheme of Assistance 2010/11 Outturn and 2011/12 Budget | 306 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities providing Members with information on the outturn of the 2010/11 Scheme of Assistance Budget and the proposed 2011/12 Scheme of Assistance Budget, subject to confirmation of the final outturn figures following completion of year end procedures and the subsequent carry forward of committed budgets in 2010/11.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) that the Committee agree the proposed amendments to the Scheme of Assistance set out in paragraph 4.3 and appendix 1 of the report; (2) that the Committee agree the proposed review of funding arrangements for large-scale adaptations as set out in paragraph 5.5 of the report; (3) that the Committee note the outturn position of the 2010/11 Budget; (4) that the Committee agree the proposed 2011/12 Scheme of Assistance budget as set out in appendix 2 to the report; (5) that the response to the Scottish Government consultation on The Right to Adapt Common Parts as set out in appendix 3 to the report be noted; and (6) that a report be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee detailing the guidelines on landlord registrations. | |
| 307 | Support for Owners Fund Update | 307 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities providing an update on the current position with regard to Support For Owners and information received from River Clyde Homes on their 2010/11 Scottish Housing Quality Standards Investment Programme.</p> <p>Councillor McKenzie left the meeting during consideration of this item of business.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) that the Committee note the current position for the 2011/12 Support For Owners Fund; (2) that the Committee note the projection for the 2011/12 Support For Owners Fund; and (3) that the Committee note the projected requirements for the Support For Owners Fund to 2015/16. | |
| 308 | Scottish Government Consultation - Improving Choice in Verification of Building Standards | 308 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment seeking the endorsement of the Committee to respond to the Scottish Government's consultation on improving choice in verification of Building Standards.</p> <p>Decided: that approval be given for the response to the Scottish Government's consultation on improving choice in verification of Building Standards, as detailed in paragraphs 5.2 to 5.9 of the report, to be submitted to the Scottish Government.</p> | |
| 309 | National Housing Fund - Innovation and Investment Fund | 309 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities advising the Committee of changes to funding for the development of social housing by registered social landlords and other providers, such as local authorities, and the</p> | |

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possible implications for Inverclyde Council.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the introduction of the Innovation and Investment Fund from 1 April 2011 and the new competitive bidding regime for the provision of affordable housing; and
- (2) that Inverclyde Council's response to these changes, including proposed bids for Innovation and Investment Fund monies, as set out in paragraphs 5.4 to 5.6 of the report be agreed.

310 Clune Park Regeneration: Progress Report

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities providing the Committee with a progress report on the proposed regeneration of the Clune Park area, Port Glasgow.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the progress towards the regeneration of the area;
- (2) that it be agreed that further progress updates are submitted to future meetings of the Committee; and
- (3) that it be agreed, in the absence of the Convener and Vice-Convener, that Councillor McCabe Chair the special meeting of the Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee scheduled for 24 May 2011.

311 Violence Reduction - Joint Action Group (JAG) Final Recommendations

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities (1) providing the Committee with the final recommendations of the Joint Action Group (JAG) on violence reduction; and (2) seeking approval to develop the recommendations via action plans to inform any future strategy/policy that focuses on violence in the Inverclyde area.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the recommendations made within the JAG report and support the recommendations being reflected on Inverclyde Council when partners are producing further strategies, policies and interventions around the issues of violence in the Inverclyde area; and
- (2) that it be remitted to the Community Safety Partnership to take forward the recommendations in the development action plans which will be subject to further approval from the Committee.

312 Play Area Investment 2011/12

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services requesting approval of play area investment proposals for 2011/12.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the play area investment proposals as detailed in the report;
- (2) that the Committee confirm the "in principle" funding already approved for the undernoted community projects and the requirement for the groups to obtain external funding being dropped
 - Boglestone £100,000
 - Greenock Central £75,000
 - Larkfield/Braeside £75,000; and
- (3) that the Committee approve the invitation of tenders for works relating to the

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£350,000 play area investment works for the financial year 2011/12.

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| 313 | <p>Mr David Greenslade</p> <p>The Convener referred to the recent retirement of David Greenslade, Team Leader, Roads Service. He thanked Mr Greenslade for his assistance over the years and, on behalf of the Committee, extended his best wishes for the future.</p> | 313 |
| 314 | <p>Inverclyde Flood Action Plan 2011-2012 (- 2013)</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment seeking approval in relation to a proposed programme of projects funded from Environmental & Commercial Services' earmarked revenue reserves to be addressed in the Flood Action Plan for 2011-12 and the 2012-13 proposed Flood Action Plan, to alleviate flooding in Inverclyde.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee approve the proposed Flood Action Plan for 2011-2012 and the proposals for 2012-2013;</p> <p>(2) that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services to proceed to tender for the projects listed in appendix 1 of the report and that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to accept the lowest acceptable tender for the works provided that is within the approved budget;</p> <p>(3) that the Committee approve the proposal that the Council carry out any emergency repairs/cleaning to the Eastern Line of Falls to relieve flooding from this system that may arise during the course of 2011-2013, with a view to later recovering the cost if it is proven that the ownership/responsibility for the Line lies with a third party; and</p> <p>(4) that the Committee note that officers will pursue negotiations with Scottish Water to regulate the discharge volumes from the reservoirs where these have a bearing on flooding in urban areas downstream.</p> | 314 |
| 315 | <p>Inverclyde Council's Response to the Scottish Government's Consultation on Delivering Sustainable Flood Risk Management</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment advising the Committee of Inverclyde Council's response to the Scottish Government's consultation document on delivering sustainable flood risk management under the Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act.</p> <p>Decided: that the response made to the questions in the consultation document be noted.</p> | 315 |
| 316 | <p>Local Transport Strategy 2011-16</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment seeking the Committee's approval of the Local Transport Strategy 2011-16 for Inverclyde.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee approve the Local Transport Strategy 2011-16; and</p> <p>(2) that the Committee approve the publication of the Local Transport Strategy 2011-16.</p> | 316 |
| 317 | <p>Environmental & Commercial Services (Roads) - SPT
(Grant Funding and Capital Roads Related Projects 2011/12)</p> | 317 |

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment advising the Committee in relation to the approved programme of projects to be undertaken in 2011/12 using grant and capital funding from Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT).

Councillor Ahlfeld left the meeting during consideration of this item of business.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the SPT approved project list detailed in the report for 2011/12; and
- (2) that the Committee note the capital investment by SPT for the improvements to Port Glasgow Bus Station.

318 SCOTS Report - Roads Maintenance Backlog - Inverclyde Council

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment providing Members with (1) details of Audit Scotland's follow-up report (16 February 2011) on maintaining Scotland's roads and (2) the outcome of the Scottish Road Maintenance Conditions Survey provided by the Chief Officers of Transportation in Scotland (SCOTS) as it relates to Inverclyde Council, which was received in April 2011. Councillor Ahlfeld returned to the meeting during consideration of this item of business.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of Audit Scotland's follow-up report on maintaining Scotland's roads;
- (2) that the Committee note the contents of the Scottish Roads Maintenance Condition Survey report;
- (3) that the Committee note the deterioration of Inverclyde's roads network and the calculated cost of £11.235M to eliminate the maintenance backlog and bring the network to a good state of repair, with a need to invest around £320,000, in addition to existing funding on an annual basis to maintain a steady state;
- (4) that the Committee note that between financial years 2007/08 to 2010/11 over £7.1M has been invested in surfacing and repairs to the Council's roads and footways;
- (5) that the Committee note the investment of £1M of capital funding in the current financial year to address carriageway and footway reconstruction and the receipt of £400,000 of revenue funding for cyclic repairs to carriageways and footways;
- (6) that the Committee agree to invest part of the overall approved capital budget of £100,000 for proprietary treatment to include surfacing dressing to C class and U class roads to reduce the maintenance backlog; and
- (7) that the Committee note that in light of the recent reports received by the Council, Officers will be reviewing investment arrangements with a view to reporting to the Committee later this year.

319 SEPA Compliance Assessment Scheme

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment advising the Committee of SEPA's assessment of the Council's environmental performance in respect of the Pottery Street Transfer Station and Civic Amenity Site.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

320 Official Food and Feed Controls

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities advising the Committee of the Official Food and Feed Service Plan for 2011/12, reporting on the achievements of the service in 2010/11 and advising of potential challenges facing

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the service in 2011/12.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the Official Food and Feed Service Plan for 2011/12;
- (2) that the Committee note the delivery against the 2010/11 plan;
- (3) that the Committee note the challenges facing the service in 2011/12; and
- (4) that the Committee agree to receive an update in due course on (1) progress in implementing the FSA guidance on cross contamination; and (2) development in the FSA's review of food safety controls.

321 Audit Scotland Performance Audit Study: Improving Energy Efficiency - A Follow-Up Report 321

There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning advising the Committee of the action taken by Inverclyde Council in response to Audit Scotland's report entitled 'Improving Energy Efficiency - A Follow-Up Report'.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the Council's response to Audit Scotland's survey and the action taken to date regarding their recommendations; and
- (2) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment to continue to progress actions, as appropriate, in response to the findings contained in the follow-up report.

322 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - Disabled Persons Parking Places (On Street) Order No 1 2011 322

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment recommending the making of a Traffic Regulation Order to accompany the provision of parking bays for the disabled.

Decided: that The Inverclyde Council be recommended to make the Traffic Regulation Order - On Street Parking Places (Without Charges) Order No 1 2011 and that it be remitted to the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services and the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to arrange for implementation of the Order.

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 6 and 8 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

323 Provision of Waste Management Services 323

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment advising the Committee of the outcome of the provision of waste management services (residual waste and materials recycling).

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the award of contracts for the provision of waste management services to the following contractors:-
 - Lot 1 - William Tracey Ltd - Residual Waste; and
 - Lot 2 - Greenlight Environmental Ltd - Material Recycling; and
- (2) that contracts be awarded for a period of three years, with the option to extend by two one year periods.

324 Organic and Garden Waste Contract - Outcome of Joint Council Tender**324**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment advising the Committee of the outcome of the joint organic waste procurement partnership led by Glasgow City Council, and seeking approval for the award of the contract.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report and approve the month-to-month extension of the current organic waste contract, up to a maximum period of six months;
- (2) that the Committee authorise the award of the contract for the recycling of organic waste in respect of garden waste, food waste and MDF to Scottish Water Horizon Ltd for a period of three years with the option to extend by 12 months; and
- (3) that the Committee authorise Glasgow City Council to dispatch a standstill letter in respect of lot 3 (Inverclyde Council).

PLANNING BOARD - 4 MAY 2011

Planning Board

Wednesday 4 May 2011 at 3 pm

Present: Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Fyfe, Loughran, McCallum, Moran, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Development & Building Standards Manager, Mr G Leitch (for Head of Environmental & Commercial Services), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

325 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 325

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

No declarations of interest were intimated.

326 PLANNING APPLICATIONS 326

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

**(a) Extension of existing care home:
Marchmont Home, Alderwood Road, Port Glasgow (11/0057/IC)**

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

(1) that prior to the commencement of works on site, samples of all external materials to be used in the construction of the extension hereby permitted be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority. Works shall then proceed utilising the approved materials, or any alternative agreed in writing with the Planning Authority, to ensure the proposed materials are acceptable in terms of the existing premises, in the interest of visual amenity; and

(2) that no permission is granted for the car parking layout as detailed in plan 6268/03 revision D. Prior to the commencement of development on site an alternative parking layout shall be submitted in writing to and approved by the Planning Authority. The approved car parking layout shall thereafter be implemented, available for use prior to the occupation of the approved building extension and maintained in perpetuity unless otherwise permitted in writing by the Planning Authority, to maximise the potential for on site car parking in the interests of road safety on Alderwood Road.

**(b) Proposed flatted development:
Killochend Drive, Greenock (08/0300/IC)**

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

During the course of discussion, it was noted that in terms of the Council's Roads Development Guide, 1.65 car parking spaces per flat should, in fact, be provided.

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Decided: that consideration of the application be continued for a further report from the Head of Regeneration & Planning with particular regard to the requirements of the Council's Roads Development Guide.

**(c) Extension and alterations to community centre:
Community Centre, Binnie Street, Gourrock (10/0382/IC and 10/0001/LB)**

Decided:

- (i) that planning permission be granted subject to the following conditions:-
 - (1) that no development shall commence until samples of all external materials have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority; development thereafter shall proceed utilising the approved materials, unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure an appropriate finishing material for this historic building;
 - (2) that the parking layout detailed in drawing 09 215 201 D shall be completed prior to the completion of the building works hereby approved, to ensure an appropriate level of on site parking;
 - (3) that no development shall commence until full details of bin storage have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to protect the amenity of the immediate area and prevent the creation of nuisance due to odours, insects, rodents or birds; and
- (ii) that it be remitted to the Head of Regeneration and Planning to formally refer the application for listed building consent to Historic Scotland recommending that listed building consent be granted subject to the condition that no development shall commence until samples of all external materials have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority; development thereafter shall proceed utilising the approved materials, unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure an appropriate finishing material for this historic building.

LOCAL REVIEW BODY - 4 MAY 2011

Local Review BodyWednesday 4 May 2011 at 4 pm

Present: Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Fyfe, Loughran, McCallum, Moran, Nelson, Rebecchi and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Wilson presided.

In attendance: Mr R Gimby (Regeneration & Planning Services) and Ms V Pollock (Legal & Democratic Services).

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

327 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

327

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

No declarations of interest were intimated.

328 PLANNING APPLICATION FOR REVIEW

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**Erection of single storey extension:
8 Whitelea Crescent, Kilmacolm (10/0278/IC)**

There were submitted papers relative to the application for review of the refusal of planning permission for the erection of a single storey extension at 8 Whitelea Crescent, Kilmacolm (10/0278/IC).

After discussion, Councillor Moran 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:-

- (1) that the development to which this permission relates must be begun within five years from the date of this permission, to comply with Section 58 of the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997; and
- (2) that prior to the commencement of works on site, samples of external materials to be used in construction be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Works shall then proceed utilising the approved materials or any alternative agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure the materials are appropriate for the existing house, in the interests of visual amenity.

As an amendment, Councillor Fyfe 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 officers' determination) for the following reasons as set out in the Decision Notice date 8 February 2011:-
 - (1) as adequate off street parking cannot be provided. Vehicles will potentially overhang the footway forcing pedestrians into the roadway to the detriment of their safety. Vehicles using the proposed parking space within the front garden will cross the footway at an angle, also prejudicing pedestrian and road safety. On street parking may

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also result in close proximity to the junction with Whitelea Avenue, creating conflict between vehicles to the detriment of road safety; and

(2) as the proposed parking space within the front garden area will result in vehicles being parked across the frontage of the property, to the detriment of the wider streetscape.

On a vote, 4 Members voted for the amendment and 5 for the motion which was declared carried.

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 five years from the date of this permission, to comply with Section 58 of the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997; and

(2) that prior to the commencement of works on site, samples of external materials to be used in construction be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Works shall then proceed utilising the approved materials or any alternative agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure the materials are appropriate for the existing house, in the interests of visual amenity.

EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING COMMITTEE - 10 MAY 2011

Education and Lifelong Learning Committee

Tuesday 10 May 2011 at 4.05 pm

Present: Provost McCormick, Councillors Blair, Brooks, Clocherty, Fyfe, MacLeod (for Grieve), Loughran, McCabe, McKenzie, Osborne and Moran (for Wilson), Rev A McLean and Father M McMahon, Church Representatives and Mr T Tracey, Teacher Representative.

Chair: Councillor Loughran presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Education & Communities, Head of Education, Head of Educational Planning & Culture, Mr I Cameron (for Chief Financial Officer), Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Head of Property Assets & Facilities Management and Corporate Communications Manager.

Prior to the commencement of business the Convener referred to the death the previous day of Mr David Cairns, MP for Inverclyde. On behalf of the Committee he paid tribute to Mr Cairns' many years of service to the people of Inverclyde and extended his condolences to Mr Cairns' family for their sad loss.

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

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

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Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Grieve, Wilson and Mr J Miller, Parent Representative. Councillor MacLeod substituted for Councillor Grieve and Councillor Moran for Councillor Wilson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

330 **HMle Report on Inverclyde Academy**

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities on the results of the HMle report on Inverclyde Academy. The report advised that in the indicators of quality, 2 aspects of the school had been judged to be "good" and 3 aspects had been judged to be "satisfactory".

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee endorse the comments made following the HMle external evaluation of Inverclyde Academy;
- (2) that it be noted that a report will be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee on the progress of the action plan which is in the process of being produced by the Head Teacher, outlining how the areas for improvement identified in the inspection report will be addressed; and
- (3) that the Committee's appreciation be conveyed to all staff and pupils for the work undertaken to achieve the various strengths of the school which were identified in the report.

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| 331 | <p>HMle Report on the Learning Community Surrounding Inverclyde Academy</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities on the results of the HMle inspection of the learning community surrounding Inverclyde Academy. The report advised that of the indicators of quality, 3 had been evaluated as “very good” and 2 as “good”.</p> <p>Ms Fiona Ballantyne and Mr Hugh Scott of the Community Learning and Development Service were present and Mr Scott spoke in relation to the evaluation report.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) that the Committee endorse the comments made following the HMle inspection of the learning community surrounding Inverclyde Academy; (2) that the Committee's appreciation be conveyed to all staff for the work undertaken to achieve the evaluation; and (3) that the Committee's best wishes be conveyed to Ms Ballantyne who would shortly be leaving the Council's employment and that she be thanked for her contribution to community learning and development in Inverclyde. | 331 |
| 332 | <p>Education & Lifelong Learning 2010/11 Revenue Budget - Period 11</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities and Chief Financial Officer on the position of the 2010/11 Revenue Budget as at Period 11 (28 February 2011) which currently projected an underspend of £283,000.</p> <p>Noted</p> | 332 |
| 333 | <p>Capital Programme 2010 - 14/15 - Progress</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities and Chief Financial Officer on the progress of the Capital Programme 2010 - 14/15.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) that the Committee note the progress of the specific projects detailed in appendix 1 to the report; (2) that approval be given to the issue of tenders for the St Columba's High School project (refurbishment of Gourrock High School) and that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to accept the lowest acceptable tender provided that the cost is within the approved project budget; and (3) that approval be given to the revised scope of works for the Mearns Centre project (refurbishment of St Laurence's Primary School) and the issue of tenders and that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to accept the lowest acceptable tender provided that the cost is within the approved project budget. | 333 |
| 334 | <p>Update on Progress with the Implementation of Curriculum for Excellence</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities providing information on the progress being made with the implementation of Curriculum for Excellence.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) that the Committee note the ongoing progress being made with the implementation of Curriculum for Excellence in Inverclyde; and (2) that all remaining advice papers be appended to the progress report to be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee. | 334 |

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| 335 | <p>Admissions and Placing Requests for Primary 1 and Secondary 1 Pupils in School Session 2011/12</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities on the decisions agreed by the Pupil Placement Panel relating to admissions and placing requests for school session 2011/12 affecting Primary 1 and Secondary 1 pupils.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the admissions and placing requests granted for the school session 2011/12; and</p> <p>(2) that it be noted that details of the individual placing requests will be circulated separately to all Members of the Committee.</p> | 335 |
| 336 | <p>Speech and Language Therapy Contract 2011-2013</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities advising the Committee of the requirement to renew the speech and language therapy contract with the NHS for 2011-2013.</p> <p>Decided: that agreement be given to enter into a contract with NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde for the purchase of speech and language services for children and young people for the period 2011-2013.</p> | 336 |
| 337 | <p>Inverkip Primary School - Provision of Nursery Accommodation</p> <p>There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities (1) advising the Committee of issues arising from development of the extension to Inverkip Primary School and (2) proposing an alternative option for the nursery.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that approval be given to the deletion of the extension from the current Inverkip Primary School project and that it be remitted to the Regeneration Committee to consider revised proposals for the Inverkip Library; and</p> <p>(2) that approval be given to proceed to tender for the refurbishment of Inverkip Primary School.</p> | 337 |

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD - 11 MAY 2011

General Purposes BoardWednesday 11 May 2011 at 3 pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Dorrian, Fyfe, MacLeod, McIlwee, Moran, Rebecchi and White.

Chair: Councillor White presided.

In attendance: Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services) and Chief Inspector Shepherd and Sergeant McDonald, Strathclyde Police.

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

The Chair requested the Board to consider an additional item number 13 - Application for General Hire Taxi Operator Licence Plate 231 - Mark Brown. The Board unanimously agreed to consider this item.

338 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 338

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Grieve and McCallum. Councillor Moran declared an interest in agenda item 11 (Application for Private Hire Taxi Operator Licence: Mark Brown) and agenda item 13 (Application for General Hire Taxi Operator Licence Plate 231: Mark Brown).

339 Application to Hold a Public Procession: Greenock Murray Club 339

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a public procession on behalf of Greenock Murray Club. The Clerk advised the Board that this matter had been resolved and the application no longer requires to be considered by the Board.

Noted

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following 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.

340 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Gordon MacDonald 340

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr MacDonald following receipt of a police representation. Mr MacDonald was in attendance. Mr Douglas advised the Board that Strathclyde Police no longer insist on their representation being considered and the application is therefore remitted to the Clerk of the Board.

Noted

341 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Steven McGinness 341

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr McGinness following receipt of a police representation. Mr McGinness was in attendance. Mr Douglas advised the Board that Strathclyde Police no longer insist on their representation being considered and the application is therefore remitted to the Clerk of the Board.

Noted

342 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Stephen Petrie

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Petrie following receipt of a police representation. Mr Petrie was in attendance. Mr Douglas advised the Board that Strathclyde Police no longer insist on their representation being considered and the application is therefore remitted to the Clerk of the Board.

Noted

343 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Philip Baxter

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Baxter following receipt of a police objection. Mr Baxter was not present or represented. Mr Douglas advised the Board that Strathclyde Police no longer insist on their objection being considered and the application is therefore remitted to the Clerk of the Board.

Noted

344 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: John Duffy

344

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Duffy following a medical examination and receipt of a police objection. Mr Duffy was not present or represented. Mr Douglas advised the Board that Strathclyde Police no longer insist on their objection being considered. Mr Douglas also advised that a letter from Dr Sykes had been received by fax today the terms of which were intimated to the Board.

Decided:

- (1) that the application be granted for one year; and
- (2) that an extra condition be added to his licence stating that Mr Duffy must attend further medical examinations as set by Dr Sykes the outcome of which he must adhere to. Failure to attend appointments as necessary would result in suspension of his licence.

345 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Paul McDonald

345

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr McDonald following receipt of a police representation. Mr McDonald was not present or represented. Mr Douglas advised the Board that Strathclyde Police no longer insist on their representation being considered and the application is therefore remitted to the Clerk of the Board.

Noted

346 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Alan McMichael

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr McMichael following receipt of a police objection. Mr McMichael was not present or represented.

Decided: that the application be refused.

347 Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence: David Quigley

347

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services requesting the Board to consider the suspension of the Taxi Driver's Licence granted to Mr Quigley. Mr Quigley was not present or represented.

Decided: to suspend Mr Quigley's Taxi Driver's Licence for the unexpired portion of his licence namely to 30 November 2011.

Councillor Moran declared a non financial interest in the following item and left the meeting.

348 Application for Private Hire Taxi Operator Licence: Mark Brown

348

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Private Hire Taxi Operator Licence. Mr Douglas advised the Board that this application has been withdrawn.

Noted

Councillor Moran returned to the meeting following consideration of this item.

349 Application for Renewal of Taxi Licence: Clyde Cabs

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application by Clyde Cabs for renewal of a Taxi Licence in the name of Clyde Cabs for a vehicle specially adapted for the disabled. Mr Douglas advised the Board that Mr Sweeney was unable to attend the meeting and requested the Board to continue his application to the next meeting.

Decided: that the application be continued to the next meeting of the Board.

Councillor Moran declared a non financial interest in the following item and left the meeting.

350 Application for General Hire Taxi Operator Licence Plate 231: Mark Brown

350

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for renewal of a General Hire Taxi Operator Licence Plate 231 by Mr Brown following receipt of a police objection. Mr Brown was in attendance. Mr Douglas advised the Board that Strathclyde Police no longer insist on their objection being considered and the application is therefore remitted to the Clerk of the Board.

Noted

Councillor Moran returned to the meeting following consideration of this item.

REGENERATION COMMITTEE - 12 MAY 2011

Regeneration Committee

Thursday 12 May 2011 at 3 pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Blair, Clocherty, Loughran, McCallum, McCabe, McKenzie, MacLeod, Nelson, Osborne and White.

Chair: Councillor Ahlfeld presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment, Corporate Director Education & Communities, Ms M McCabe (for Chief Financial Officer), Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Head of Property Assets & Facilities Management, Head of Regeneration & Planning, Ms J Hill (Regeneration & Planning Service), Property Assets Manager, Corporate Communications Manager and Service Manager (Community Learning & Development).

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

351 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

351

No apologies for absence were intimated.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:-

Agenda Item 9 (Sail Inverclyde - The Tall Ships Races Greenock, 2011) - Councillors Clocherty and Osborne.

Agenda Item 10 (Grants to Voluntary Organisations - Revised Arrangements) - Councillor MacLeod.

Agenda Item 11 (Grants to Voluntary Organisations - Commissioned Services) - Councillor MacLeod.

Agenda Item 13 (Indoor Bowling Facilities Within Inverclyde) - Councillors Ahlfeld, MacLeod and White.

Agenda Item 14 (Riverside Inverclyde - Operating Plan 2011-12) - Councillors Clocherty and Osborne.

Agenda Item 16 (Building Services - RCH Internal Refurbishment Framework) - Councillors Blair, Clocherty, Loughran, McCabe and Nelson.

Agenda Item 19 (Use of Powers Delegated to the Chief Executive - RCH Internal Refurbishment Contract) - Councillors Blair, Clocherty, Loughran, McCabe and Nelson.

352 Sail Inverclyde - The Tall Ships Races Greenock, 2011

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment (1) on the current income levels for the Tall Ships Races 2011 as at March 2011 and (2) outlining the type of event being developed within the limits of this income along with the income projected from trading and concessions.

Councillors Clocherty and Osborne declared a non-financial interest in this matter as Members of the Board of Sail Inverclyde 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.

Mrs H Drummond, Project Manager, Sail Inverclyde Ltd, was present and made a presentation on the event. She then answered a number of questions from Members.

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Councillor Wilson was present and with consent spoke on the matter, particularly to thank the Council for the financial and other support provided.

Decided: that the contents of the report and the presentation by Mrs Drummond be noted.

Mrs Drummond and Councillor Wilson departed from the meeting following consideration of this item of business.

353 **Regeneration and Resources Revenue Budget 2010/11 - Period 11 to 28 February 2011** 353

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer, Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment and Corporate Director Education & Communities on the position of the Revenue Budget 2010/11 as at Period 11 (28 February 2011) which showed a projected underspend of £306,000, a decrease of £367,000 since the last meeting of the Committee.

Decided: that the current projected underspend of £306,000 for 2010/11, as at 28 February 2011, be noted.

354 **Building Services Trading Account Revenue Budget 2010/11 - Period 11 to 28 February 2011** 354

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer and the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment on the position of the Building Services Trading Account as at Period 11 (28 February 2011) which projected a cash surplus of £279,000 achieving both the cash target and statutory target.

Noted

355 **Capital Programme 2010/11 to 2013/14 - Progress** 355

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment and the Chief Financial Officer on the position of the Capital Programme 2010/11 to 2013/14.

Noted

356 **Inverclyde Economic Regeneration Strategy 2011-2014** 356

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment seeking approval (1) of the Inverclyde Economic Regeneration Strategy 2011-2014, a copy of which was appended to the report, and (2) for a formal launch of the Strategy on a date to be agreed.

Decided:

(1) that approval be given to the Inverclyde Economic Regeneration Strategy 2011-2014 appended to the report;

(2) that a formal launch of the Strategy be held on a date to be agreed; and

(3) that the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment submit update reports to the Committee on a six monthly basis.

357 **Fairer Scotland Fund 2008-2011 and Commissioned Services 2011-2012** 357

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment on

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(1) the final financial position and performance of the Fairer Scotland Fund Programme 2008-2011 and (2) the Policy & Resources Executive Sub-Committee's decisions in respect of commissioning.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the excellent work which has been completed by a range of contractors delivering services to address deprivation in Inverclyde;
- (2) that it be noted the Council has completed the procurement of additional services for 2011-2012 and that appropriate contracts have been issued to successful contractors;
- (3) that the success in the leverage of additional European funding be noted; and
- (4) that regular monitoring reports be presented to the Committee.

358 Future Jobs Fund - Update

358

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment on the final phase of the Future Jobs Fund programme and the future delivery of this type of activity as part of the Council's end-to-end employability programme.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the successful delivery of the Future Jobs Fund programme including the impact on individuals and the economic benefits to the Inverclyde economy;
- (2) that the Committee note the excellent partnership work that has been established including Inverclyde Council, Jobcentre Plus and Inverclyde Community Development Trust, the last having successfully engaged a significant number of employers and ensured a wide range of community benefits; and
- (3) that the Leader of the Council write to the relevant MP and MSP seeking details as to how the UK National Work Programme and Community Jobs Fund Programme will operate, the amount of funding to be allocated to the Council and when such funding is likely to be awarded.

359 Modern Apprenticeships - Additional Placements

359

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment (1) updating the Committee on the Modern Apprenticeship training programme and (2) seeking authority in respect of the opportunity to extend the current training programme.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the successful delivery of the Council's Modern Apprenticeship training programme; and
- (2) that the Committee endorse the tender submission in potentially providing additional opportunities by seeking the support of external companies in providing placements and that it be delegated to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment to accept and manage the potential contract for additional Modern Apprenticeship places.

360 Grants to Voluntary Organisations - Revised Arrangements

360

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities seeking approval of revised arrangements for the award of small grants, of £5,000 and under, from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations budget.

Councillor MacLeod declared a non-financial interest in this matter as a director of Inverclyde Council on Disability, an organisation which had received funding from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations budget. 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

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Chamber or his participation in the decision making process.

Decided: that the Committee approve the revised arrangements for the award of small grants from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations budget subject to review by the Convener, in consultation with the relevant officers, of the wording of the last bullet point under the "We will not ..." section of the guidance notes to take account of Members' comments regarding the term "substantial funding from another source".

361 Grants to Voluntary Organisations - Commissioned Services

361

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment providing an update on the review of the commissioned element of Grants to Voluntary Organisations.

Councillor MacLeod declared a non-financial interest in this matter as a director of Inverclyde Council on Disability, an organisation which had received funding from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations budget. 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: that it be noted that following the review of the commissioned element of the Grants to Voluntary Organisations it remains appropriate that the Grants Sub-Committee give consideration to allocating up to three year's funding to suitable organisations, subject to budgetary considerations.

362 Area Renewal Fund - Request For Funding

362

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment seeking approval to award a sum of up to £10,000 to the Inverclyde Association for Mental Health to undertake a feasibility study with a view to establishing a new enterprise base for its activities.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the award of up to £10,000 from the Area Renewal Fund to the Inverclyde Association for Mental Health for the purpose of undertaking a feasibility study as detailed in paragraph 2.3 of the report; and
- (2) that the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment be instructed to make the necessary financial arrangements on behalf of the Council.

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)
Indoor Bowling Facilities Within Inverclyde	6
Riverside Inverclyde - Operating Plan 2011-12	6
Appendix 2 Relative to Agenda Item 6	6 & 8
Building Services - RCH Internal Refurbishment Framework	6 & 9
Non Operational Property Portfolio Information	2, 6 & 9

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Scheme of Delegation Register

Property Assets Management Report 2, 6 & 9

Use of Powers Delegated to the Chief Executive - RCH 6 & 9
Internal Refurbishment Contract

Lease of Premises - Grieve Road, Greenock 2, 6 & 9

363 Indoor Bowling Facilities Within Inverclyde 363

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment and the Corporate Director Education & Communities (1) on the feasibility of providing indoor bowling within Inverclyde and (2) setting out a number of options which had been considered.

Councillors Ahlfeld, MacLeod and White declared a non-financial interest in this matter as Members of the Board of Inverclyde Leisure. Councillor Ahlfeld vacated the Chair and left the meeting and Councillor McCabe assumed the Chair. Councillors MacLeod and White 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.

Councillor Ahlfeld returned to the meeting during consideration of this item of business but did not participate in the decision making process.

Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the action recommended and that a report on progress be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee, all as detailed in the appendix.

Councillor Ahlfeld resumed the Chair at this juncture.

364 Riverside Inverclyde - Operating Plan 2011-12 364

There was submitted amended report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment (1) advising of the financial settlement for 2011-12 from the Scottish Government/Enterprise to Riverside Inverclyde (ri), (2) seeking endorsement of Riverside Inverclyde's Operating Plan - Financial Breakdown 2011-12 and (3) updating Members on a number of matters.

Councillors Clocherty and Osborne declared a non-financial interest in this matter as members of the Board of Riverside Inverclyde. 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.

Following consideration, the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.

365 Appendix 2 Relative to Agenda Item 6 365

There was submitted appendix 2 relative to agenda item 6 (Fairer Scotland Fund 2008-11 and Commissioned Services 2011-12) providing details of preferred tenders.

Noted

366 Building Services - RCH Internal Refurbishment Framework 366

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment advising of action taken by River Clyde Homes in respect of the internal refurbishment

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contract and the Head of Property Assets & Facilities Management updated the Committee.

Councillors Blair, Clocherty, Loughran and Nelson declared a non-financial interest in this matter 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.

Following consideration, the Committee (1) noted the terms of the report and the information provided by the Head of Property Assets & Facilities Management and (2) remitted it to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment to submit a further report, all as detailed in the appendix.

367 **Non Operational Property Portfolio Information Scheme of Delegation Register**

367

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment providing information relative to non-operational property for the period October 2010 to April 2011.

Noted

368 **Property Assets Management Report**

368

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment on activities and proposals for the management of the Council's property assets.

Decided:

- (1) that the final position relating to the sale of the Greenock High and Glenburn Schools site be noted;
- (2) that the Committee note the relocation of the various arts groups from the Old Pavilion at Battery Park and Neil Street workshops into the former Resource Centre at Glenburn School;
- (3) that the Old Pavilion at Battery Park as shown hatched/outlined on the plan appended to the report be declared surplus to requirements and that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment to seek tenders for the demolition of the building, including tarmac covering to the resultant site to permit car parking, and to accept the most economically advantageous tender;
- (4) that the Neil Street workshops as shown outlined/hatched on the plan appended to the report be declared surplus to requirements and that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment to place the property on the open market and to invite offers to lease or buy the premises for commercial use at a time when it is considered market conditions are favourable; and
- (5) that approval be given to negotiation for the disposal of the former Social Work offices at Nicol Street shown outlined/hatched on the plan appended to the report with the party detailed in view of the circumstances narrated within the report and that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment to conclude negotiations and thereafter conclude the disposal of the property to the party on terms considered suitable to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services and the Chief Financial Officer.

369 **Use of Powers Delegated to the Chief Executive - RCH Internal Refurbishment Contract**

369

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment advising of the use of the powers delegated to the Chief Executive for approval to submit a tender for River Clyde Homes' internal refurbishment contract.

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Councillors Blair, Clocherty, Loughran and Nelson declared a non-financial interest in this matter 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.

Noted

The Convener being of the opinion that the undernoted report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment was relevant, competent and urgent moved its consideration in terms of the relevant Standing Order to allow the lease, if agreed by the Committee, to be concluded at the earliest opportunity. This was agreed unanimously.

370 Lease of Premises: Grieve Road, Greenock

370

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment seeking approval to grant a lease of premises in Grieve Road, Greenock and the Committee agreed to the action recommended, all as detailed in the appendix.

GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE - 12 MAY 2011

Grants Sub-CommitteeThursday 12 May 2011 at 5 pm

Present: Councillors Blair, Clocherty, Loughran, McCallum, McKenzie and Osborne.

Chair: Councillor Clocherty presided.

In attendance: Head of Regeneration & Planning, Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

371 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

371

There were no apologies for absence or declarations of interest intimated prior to commencement of the meeting.

372 Commissioned Applications 2011

372

There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning giving details of applications received for consideration for funding from the commissioned element of the Grants to Voluntary Organisations budget in 2011/12.

Decided: that funding be allocated to the Voluntary Organisations as follows:

<u>Name of Organisation</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Recommended</u>
Greenock & District Sea Cadet Corps	£6,100	3	£3,000
Gourock Horticultural Society	£1,400	0	£0
Gourock Garden Party Committee	£6,500	3	£6,000
Inverclyde Music Festival Association	£4,715	3	£2,000
Visibility	£6,351	0	£0
Port Glasgow Voluntary Transport Group	£19,046	1	£9,000
Port Glasgow Old People's Welfare Council	£10,473	0	£0
Inverclyde & District Battalion The Boys Brigade	£7,000	3	£7,000
Wellington Pre-5 Nursery Playgroup and Out of School Care	£7,045	0	£0

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Greenock Light Opera Club	£1,500	0	£0
Abbeyfield Strathgryffe Society	£10,000	0	£0
Girlguiding Greenock Division	£5,000	3	£7,000
RIG Arts Ltd	£10,000	0	£0
Auchmountain Community Resource Centre	£6,654	0	£0
Inverclyde Globetrotters	£6,000	0	£0
Evergreen Home Support	£10,000	0	£0
Upper Larkfield Community Hall	£9,000	0	£0
Sport Inverclyde	£6,000	3	£5000
Inverclyde Council on Disability	£30,000	3	£10,000
Arts for Inverclyde	£16,500	3	£3,000
Parklea Branching Out	£6,000	0	£0
Financial Fitness	£9,561	0	£0
Gourock Business Club	£650	3	£650
Victim Support		3	£5,000
IVCSS	£50,000	1	£50,000
Greenock Amateur Boxing Club	£5,900	0	£0
Gourock Bowling Club	£10,000	0	£0
Gourock Youth Athletic Club	£11,000	3	£5,000
Inverclyde Autistic Support Group	£8,390	3	£9,000
Greenock & District Scout Council	£5,000	3	£7,000
Greenock Arts Guild	£50,000	3	£50,000
49F Greenock Air Training Corps	£12,000	3	£3,000

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Scottish Spina Bifida Association	£25,000	0	£0
St Andrews Boys Club		3	£5,000*
Port Glasgow Boys Club		3	£5,000*
IVCSS Rent		1	£6,000

*Subject to conditions

SAFE, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 24 MAY 2011

Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee**Tuesday 24 May 2011 at 2 pm**

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Dorrian, MacLeod, McCabe, McIlwee, Moran, Nelson and White.

Chair: Councillor Moran presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Education & Communities, Community Safety & Wellbeing Service Manager, Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services) and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

373 Councillor Robert Moran 373

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the Members of the Committee welcomed back the Convener following his absence due to ill health.

374 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 374

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Grieve, Rebecchi and Wilson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

375 Inverclyde Local Housing Strategy 2011 – 2016: Consultative Draft 375

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities introducing and explaining the Consultative Draft of the Inverclyde Local Housing Strategy (LHS) 2011 – 2016, which is intended to form the basis of consultations with internal and external partners and which will inform the preparation of the finalised LHS for submission to the Committee in autumn 2011.

(Councillor Nelson entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the content of the Consultative Draft Local Housing Strategy 2011-2016;
- (2) that the Committee approve the use of the Consultative Draft Local Housing Strategy as the basis of forthcoming consultations supporting the preparation of a finalised Inverclyde Local Housing Strategy which will be submitted, for approval, to the Committee in autumn 2011; and
- (3) that a further report be submitted to the Committee detailing the reactive process carried out by the Council when alerted to the sighting of gypsy travellers in Inverclyde.

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

376 Clune Park – Proposed Regeneration Plan**376**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education & Communities providing details of the proposed regeneration strategy for the Clune Park area of Port Glasgow.

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

Decided:

(1) that the Committee agree that the proposed regeneration plan be submitted to the Scottish Government for their consideration and support; and

(2) that the Committee agree that further reports be brought forward prior to formally committing further funding beyond the £500,000 agreed as part of the 2011/13 budget.

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 24 MAY 2011

Policy & Resources Committee

Tuesday 24 May 2011 at 3 pm

Present: Councillors Blair, Brooks, Clocherty, McCabe, McIlwee, McKenzie, MacLeod, Moran, Nelson, Ahlfeld (for Wilson) and White.

Chair: Councillor McKenzie presided.

In attendance: Chief Executive, Corporate Director Education & Communities, Corporate Director Inverclyde Community Health & Care Partnership, Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment, Chief Financial Officer, Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Ms B McQuarrie (for Head of Organisational Development, HR & Performance), Head of Property Assets & Facilities Management, Head of Regeneration & Planning and Corporate Communications Manager.

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

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| 377 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 377 |
| | <p>An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Wilson with Councillor Ahlfeld substituting.</p> <p>No declarations of interest were intimated.</p> | |
| 378 | Policy & Resources Committee 2010/11 Revenue Budget - Period 11 to 28 February 2011 | 378 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment and Chief Financial Officer on the position of the 2010/11 Revenue Budget as at period 11 (28 February 2011).</p> <p>Decided: that the Committee note the current projected underspend of £1,042,000 for 2010/11 as at 28 February 2011.</p> | |
| 379 | General Fund Revenue Budget 2010/11 - Period 11 and Initial Position of the General Fund Revenue Budget 2011/12 | 379 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on (1) the latest projected outturn position for the General Fund Revenue Budget 2010/11 and (2) the initial position of the General Fund Revenue Budget 2011/12.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>(1) that the Committee note the information contained in the report and the various appendices; and</p> <p>(2) that it be noted a full update of the Financial Strategy will be presented to the next meeting of The Inverclyde Council on 9 June 2011.</p> | |
| 380 | Capital Programme 2010/14 | 380 |
| | <p>There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer on the current position of the Capital Programme 2010/14.</p> <p>Decided:</p> | |

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- (1) that the Committee note the current position of the Capital Programme 2010/14; and
- (2) that approval be given to the proposal in respect of the Leisure Strategy surplus outlined in paragraph 7.3 of the report.

381 Policy & Resources Capital Programme (2010/11 - 13/14) Progress Report 381

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) providing an update on the status of the projects forming the Policy & Resources Capital Programme 2010/11 – 13/14 and (2) highlighting the actual spend as at 28 February 2011.

The Chief Financial Officer advised the Committee that the estimated completion date for the interim disaster recovery/business continuity work was now June 2011.

Noted

382 Treasury Management - Annual Report 2010/11 382

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer advising Members of the operation of the treasury function and its activities for 2010/11 as required under the terms of Treasury Management Practice 6 ("TMP6") on "Reporting Requirements and Management Information Arrangements".

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the annual report on Treasury Management for 2010/11 and the ongoing work to ensure the delivery of financial benefits for the Council;
- (2) that the Annual Report be remitted to the Council for consideration; and
- (3) that it be agreed to:
 - (a) approve the negotiation with Sector Treasury Services Ltd for treasury adviser services for a contract of 3 years with an optional 1 year extension, subject to the approval of the Chief Financial Officer and Head of Legal & Democratic Services and the annual cost not exceeding £18,000 per year;
 - (b) extend the increased Treasury Management Practices limit of £60M with the Bank of Scotland until the end of March 2012; and
 - (c) homologate any exceeding of the Council's Treasury Management Practices limit with the Bank of Scotland between the end of April 2011 and the date of the Committee.

383 Corporate Performance Report 383

There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, HR & Performance and Chief Financial Officer providing corporate performance information collected in mid April 2011.

Decided:

- (1) that the performance information contained in the report be endorsed; and
- (2) that it be noted further reports on corporate performance will be submitted to future meetings of the Committee, the further reports to include tables in respect of the Directorate Plan measures in the section of the report on "progress towards achieving our corporate outcomes".

384 Request to Proceed to Tender - Banking Services 384

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer seeking approval to issue tenders for the Council's banking services as the current contract is due to expire on 31 March 2012.

Decided: that approval be given to the issuing of tenders in respect of the Council's

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banking services for an initial period of five years followed by a further option to extend for three years.

385 Debt Management Partner Tender**385**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) seeking approval to issue tenders for the appointment of a debt management partner as the current contract is due to expire on 31 March 2012 and (2) advising of the potential for legal challenge over non payment of fees where there has been unsuccessful diligence.

Decided:

- (1) that approval be given to the invitation of tenders for the supply of debt management services; and
- (2) that the Committee note the potential for legal challenge when the tender is issued.

386 Workstream Savings Target Review and Budget Topslice/Efficiency Proposals**386**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer (1) seeking approval to amend a number of the Workstream Savings Targets previously approved and (2) recommending specific topslice/efficiency savings.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee approve the new targets for the Savings Workstreams 2010/14 set out in appendix 1 to the report; and
- (2) that the Committee approve the proposals in respect of the topslice/efficiency workstream for 2011/12 as set out in appendix 2 and, in principle, the proposals in respect of employee travel which will be the subject of a further report to the Committee.

387 The Council's Governance Responsibilities - External Organisations**387**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer outlining a suggested approach to the Council's governance responsibilities relating to external organisations.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report and agree to the implementation of the approach outlined; and
- (2) that it be remitted to the Chief Financial Officer to submit a report on progress to the meeting of the Committee following the summer recess 2012.

388 Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009: Public Bodies' Duties**388**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment advising of action required by the Council to comply with the Public Bodies' Duties of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009.

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

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the publication of the Public Bodies' Guidance and the duties places on the Council by the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009; and
- (2) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment to submit an action plan for approval to the Corporate Management Team and the Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee and to work with Directorates to implement the suggested actions outlined in the appendix to the report.

389 Health Impact Assessment - Gourock Highland Games**389**

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Planning, Health Improvement & Commissioning, Inverclyde CHCP providing details of the headline results from the Health Impact Assessment of the Gourock Highland Games.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report; and
- (2) that the SOA Outcome Delivery Groups and the Council address the key issues raised in the survey as follows:-
 - (a) Inverclyde Council should look to encourage smoke free environments particularly those where a high incidence of young people and families is present;
 - (b) licensed bars and areas where alcohol is available should be positioned away from children and related family areas at relevant Council events. Alcohol sponsorship should be limited to reflect the above with the eventual eradication of such product marketing;
 - (c) public transport providers should be involved in the planning of events to encourage greater use and reduction in event traffic;
 - (d) the catering tender process should be used to encourage vendors to offer at least 50% of the menu reflecting the requirements in line with the Healthy Living Award criteria;
 - (e) health related information and events should be incorporated and included within events; and
 - (f) local businesses should be encouraged to tender for this event with guidance offered to such enterprises regarding the healthy catering requirements noted above.

390 Standby & Disturbance Allowance Review

390

There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, HR & Performance recommending a rationalised Standby and Disturbance Allowance Scheme for all Council employees covered by Local Government Employee (LGE) conditions of service following a review of current Standby and Disturbance arrangements.

Decided: that agreement be given to the revised Standby and Disturbance Allowance Scheme as set out in appendix 1 to the report.

391 Use of Powers Delegated to the Chief Executive - Commission on the Future Delivery of Public Services

391

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive on the use of the powers delegated to him to respond on behalf of the Council to the Commission on the Future Delivery of Public Services (the "Christie Commission") and the Strategic Leadership Forum's approval of the underpinning principles of the Council's representations.

Noted

392 Renfrewshire Valuation Joint Board - Update

392

There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer appending the minute of the Renfrewshire Valuation Joint Board of 14 January 2011.

Noted

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following 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:-

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Item	Paragraph(s)
Amendment to Chief Executive's Staffing Structure	1
Indoor Bowling Facilities within Inverclyde - Remit from Regeneration Committee	6
393 Amendment to Chief Executive's Staffing Structure	393
There was submitted a report by the Head of Organisational Development, HR & Performance recommending an amendment to the Chief Executive's staffing structure and the Committee agreed to the recommendation, all as detailed in the appendix.	
394 Indoor Bowling Facilities within Inverclyde - Remit from Regeneration Committee	394
There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment on a remit from the Regeneration Committee of 12 May 2011 requesting that the Policy & Resources Committee approve the financial implications relating to the provision of indoor bowling facilities within Inverclyde outlined in paragraphs 5.2 and 6 of the report to the Regeneration Committee.	
Decided:	
(1) that the Committee approve the financial implications relating to the provision of indoor bowling facilities within Inverclyde outlined in paragraphs 5.2 and 6 of the report to the Regeneration Committee; and	
(2) that it be remitted to the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment to consult with the Convener of the Policy & Resources Committee and the Convener of the Regeneration Committee and, subject to their agreement in relation to the number of bowling members taking up membership by the end of June 2011, to invest up to £150,000 from the Strategic Leisure funding to enable the existing facility to be reopened.	

PLANNING BOARD – 1 JUNE 2011

Planning Board

Wednesday 1 June 2011 at 3 pm

Present: Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Fyfe, Loughran, McCallum, Moran, Osborne (for Nelson), Rebecchi, McKenzie (for White) and McCabe (for Wilson).

Chair: Councillor Brooks presided.

In attendance: Head of Regeneration & Planning, Development & Building Standards Manager, Mr R Graham (for Head of Environmental & Commercial Services), Mr G Leitch (Environmental & Commercial Services), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services) and Mr M Bingham (Corporate Communications & Public Affairs).

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

395 APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 395

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Grieve, Nelson, White and Wilson with Councillor Osborne substituting for Councillor Nelson, Councillor McKenzie for Councillor White and Councillor McCabe for Councillor Wilson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

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Proposed flatted development:
Killochend Drive, Greenock (08/0300/IC)

There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning regarding an application by ECOS Construction Ltd for a proposed flatted development at Killochend Drive, Greenock (08/0300/IC), consideration of which had been continued from the meeting on 4 May 2011 for clarification on the number of car parking spaces proposed. The report recommended that planning permission be granted subject to a number of conditions.

(Councillor McKenzie entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided: that consideration of the application be continued for a site visit to be arranged by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services in consultation with the Convener.

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

(a) **Renewal of planning permission for erection of 28 dwellings (IC/04/447R): Bridgend, Inverkip (11/0081/IC)**

The Head of Regeneration & Planning advised that this item had been withdrawn from the agenda.

Noted

(b) Extension and alterations to school, new landscaping and creation of new playing fields:

Gourock High School, Fletcher Avenue, Gourock (11/0066/IC)

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

(1) that the development to which this permission relates must be begun within 3 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 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;

(3) that the development shall not commence until a 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;

(4) 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 Authority's satisfaction;

(5) 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;

(6) that no material shall be imported onto the site until written details of the source of the imported material have been submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority. The details, which shall be submitted no later than four weeks prior to the material being imported onto the site, shall include: the source of the imported material, any potential source(s) of contamination within 50 metres of the source of the material to be imported and verification analysis information. The material must not be imported on to the site until written approval has first been received from the Planning Authority. The material from the source agreed only shall be imported in strict accordance with these agreed details, to protect receptors from the harmful effects of imported contamination;

(7) that samples of all facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to their use, to ensure the suitability of the colour and fabric of materials;

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(8) that prior to the commencement of development, full details of the hard and soft landscaping scheme hereby approved shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority including the following details:

- (a) the full scheme of tree and shrub planting incorporating details of the location, number, variety and size of trees and shrubs to be planted;
- (b) details of the phasing of the above works;
- (c) details of the maintenance and management of this landscaping; and
- (d) samples or catalogue details of the variety of hard surfacing;

to ensure the adequacy of implementation of the landscaping scheme;

(9) 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 planting scheme in the interests of visual amenity;

(10) that notwithstanding the terms of condition 8 above, all soft and hard landscaping shall be completed and all approved fences erected prior to the school being brought back into use, in the interests of public safety;

(11) that the outdoor sports pitches shall not be in use outwith the hours of 8am to 9pm Mondays to Fridays, and 8am to 6pm at weekends, in the interests of residential amenity;

(12) 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 of the maintenance regime for the water detention areas shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to control runoff from the site to reduce the risk of flooding; and

(13) that the floodlights hereby permitted shall be baffled in order that the threshold vertical luminance at the nearest residential property does not exceed 5 lux, in the interests of residential amenity.

**(c) Construction of 29 terraced houses including all ancillary works:
Cumberland Road, Greenock (11/0028/IC)**

Decided: that powers be delegated to the Head of Regeneration & Planning to grant planning permission subject to the following conditions and following receipt of a contribution of £75,000 towards play provision at a location deemed appropriate by the Head of Regeneration & Planning in consultation with the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services:-

(1) that the development to which this permission relates must be begun within 3 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 their use, samples of all facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, including materials to be used on walls, to enable the Planning Authority to retain effective control of facing materials in the interests of visual amenity;

(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 planting scheme in the interests of visual amenity;

(4) that all soft landscaping shall be completed prior to the last of the dwellinghouses hereby permitted being occupied, to ensure the provision of a visually acceptable environment;

(5) that details of the maintenance and management programme for all areas of soft and hard landscaping shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning

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Authority prior to the start of development. The programme shall commence upon the start of development, in the interests of visual amenity;

(6) 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;

(7) that the development shall not commence until a 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;

(8) 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 Authority's satisfaction;

(9) 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;

(10) that no material shall be imported onto the site until written details of the source of the imported material have been submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority. The details, which shall be submitted no later than four weeks prior to the material being imported onto the site, shall include: the source of the imported material, any potential source(s) of contamination within 50 metres of the source of the material to be imported and verification analysis information. The material must not be imported on to the site until written approval has first been received from the Planning Authority. The material from the source agreed only shall be imported in strict accordance with these agreed details, to protect receptors from the harmful effects of imported contamination;

(11) 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 of the maintenance regime for the water detention areas shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to control runoff from the site to reduce the risk of flooding;

(12) that prior to each dwellinghouse hereby permitted being occupied, all roads and footways leading to it shall be surfaced to a sealed base wearing course, to ensure the provision of acceptable safe access facilities during construction;

(13) that prior to the last of the dwellinghouses hereby permitted being occupied, all roads and footways within the application site shall be completed to a final sealed wearing course, to ensure the provision of acceptable safe access facilities following

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construction;

(14) that following formation of the accesses into the site from Cumberland Road, the footway fronting Cumberland Road shall be resurfaced to a sealed wearing course level approved in writing by the Head of Environmental and Commercial Services, in the interests of public safety;

(15) that development shall not commence until a Stopping-Up Order, in respect of footpaths crossing the site, has been confirmed, to ensure that the footpaths may be legally stopped up to allow development to proceed;

(16) that prior to the start of development a Drainage Impact Assessment shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure the adequacy of drainage arrangements;

(17) that driveways shall not exceed a gradient of 10%, to ensure use of the driveways in the interests of traffic safety;

(18) that no development shall commence until a bond to cover the costs of the implementation of the approved soft landscaping scheme has been lodged with the Council, to ensure the provision of the approved landscaping scheme; and

(19) that notwithstanding the details shown on the approved plans, permission is not hereby given for any retaining walls. Prior to the commencement of construction, full details shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority of the location and height of all retaining walls, to allow assessment of the visual impact of the proposed retaining walls on future residents.

- (d) Change of use of attic area into 2 self contained flatted dwellings including the formation for dormer windows to front and rear:
18 Campbell Street, Greenock (11/0050/IC)**

Decided: that planning permission be refused for the following reasons:-

(1) as Campbell Street is subject to high on-street parking demand. The new development would generate an additional demand for on-street parking resulting in potential congestion and confrontation between vehicles travelling on Campbell Street to the detriment of road safety; and

(2) as parking provision is not provided in accordance with the Council's Roads Development Guidelines 1995 and the proposal is therefore not in accordance with Policy H12 (d) of the Inverclyde Local Plan.

- (e) Change of use to museum:
Basement/Old Fire Station, Municipal Buildings, Greenock (11/0060/IC)**

Decided: that planning permission be granted.

- (f) Development of 8 new build houses, including detached and semi-detached units with associated parking and formation of a new access road:
Barr's Brae, Port Glasgow (11/0074/IC)**

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

(1) this permission is granted under the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2008 on an application for planning permission in principle and further approval of the Council or of the Scottish Ministers on appeal shall be required with respect to the under mentioned matters hereby reserved before any development is commenced:

(a) the siting, design and external appearance of any building(s) to which the planning permission or the application relates;

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- (b) details of the access arrangements; and
 - (c) details of landscaping of the site, including play provision;
- to comply with Section 59 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997;
- (2) that in the case of matters specified by conditions application for approval must be made before:
- (a) the expiration of 3 years from the date of the grant of planning permission in principle; or
 - (b) the expiration of 6 months from the date on which an earlier application for such approval was refused; or
 - (c) the expiration of 6 months from the date on which an appeal against such refusal was dismissed, whichever is the latest, and provided only one such application may be made in the case after the expiration of the three year period mentioned in sub paragraph (a) above;
- to comply with Section 59 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997;
- (3) that the development to which this permission relates must be begun not later than the expiration of 3 years from the date of this permission or within 2 years from the final approval of matters specified by conditions, whichever is the later, to comply with Section 59 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997;
- (4) that no development shall commence until a detailed Flood Risk Assessment has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority; development thereafter shall proceed in accordance with the approved Flood Risk Assessment, to prevent harm from flooding;
- (5) that no development shall commence until a noise survey has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, development thereafter shall proceed in accordance with any requirements of the approved noise survey, to prevent harm from noise;
- (6) 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;
- (7) that the development shall not commence until a 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;
- (8) 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 Authority's satisfaction;
- (9) that the presence of any previously unrecorded contamination or variation to reported ground conditions that becomes evident during site works shall be brought to

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the attention of the Planning Authority within one week. Consequential amendments to the Remediation Strategy shall not be implemented unless it has been submitted to and approved, in writing by the Planning Authority, to ensure that all contamination issues are recorded and dealt with appropriately; and

(10) that no material shall be imported onto the site until written details of the source of the imported material have been submitted for approval, in writing by the Planning Authority. The details, which shall be submitted no later than four weeks prior to the material being imported onto the site, shall include: the source of the imported material, any potential source(s) of contamination within 50 metres of the source of the material to be imported and verification analysis information. The material must not be imported on to the site until written approval has first been received from the Planning Authority. The material from the source agreed only shall be imported in strict accordance with these agreed details, to protect receptors from the harmful effects of imported contamination.

**(g) Demolition of existing high school and janitor's house and erection of new campus school, central server room and enterprise centre:
Former Port Glasgow High School Site, Kilmacolm Road, Port Glasgow
(11/0031/IC)**

There was submitted an amended report relative to this application.

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

(1) that the development to which this permission relates must be begun within 3 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 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;

(3) that the development shall not commence until a 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;

(4) 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 Authority's satisfaction;

(5) 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

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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;

(6) that no material shall be imported onto the site until written details of the source of the imported material have been submitted for approval, in writing, by the Planning Authority. The details, which shall be submitted no later than four weeks prior to the material being imported onto the site, shall include: the source of the imported material, any potential source(s) of contamination within 50 metres of the source of the material to be imported and verification analysis information. The material must not be imported on to the site until written approval has first been received from the Planning Authority. The material from the source agreed only shall be imported in strict accordance with these agreed details, to protect receptors from the harmful effects of imported contamination;

(7) that samples of all facing materials shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority prior to their use, to ensure the suitability of the colour and fabric of materials;

(8) that prior to the commencement of development, remaining details of the hard and soft landscaping scheme hereby approved shall be submitted to and approved, in writing by the Planning Authority, including the following:

(a) details of the maintenance and management of the landscaping; and

(b) samples or catalogue details of the variety of hard surfacing;

to ensure the adequacy of implementation of the landscaping scheme;

(9) 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 planting scheme in the interests of visual amenity;

(10) that notwithstanding the terms of condition 8 above, all soft and hard landscaping, including the drop off parking provision on Marloch Avenue shall be completed, and all approved fences erected prior to the first of the schools being brought into use, in the interests of public safety;

(11) that the outdoor sports pitches shall not be in use outwith the hours of 8am to 9pm Mondays to Fridays, and 8am to 6pm at weekends, in the interests of residential amenity;

(12) 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 of the maintenance regime for the water detention areas shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. This shall include clarification of access arrangements for maintenance of detention tanks, to control runoff from the site to reduce the risk of flooding;

(13) that the bus bays shall be marked out prior to the first of the schools being brought into use, to ensure that adequate provision for bus parking is made; and

(14) that the floodlights hereby permitted shall be baffled in order that the threshold vertical luminance at the nearest residential property does not exceed 5 lux, in the interests of residential amenity.

**(h) Proposed extension and internal alterations:
St Bedes, Porterfield Road, Kilmacolm (11/0087/IC)**

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

(1) that no development shall commence until samples of all external materials have

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been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Development thereafter shall proceed utilising the approved materials unless the Planning Authority gives its prior written approval to any alternatives, to ensure a continuity of finishing materials appropriate to the property; and

(2) that no permission is granted for the windows detailed on drawing number 2044-BW-04 revision C. All new window units shall have a stepped profile and comply with the specifications detailed in the Council's Planning Practice Advice Note No. 11. Details of the proposed windows shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Head of Regeneration and Planning prior to installation, to ensure a continuity of window detailing appropriate to the property.

**(i) Extension to dwellinghouse and formation of new garage:
North Denniston Farm, Bridge Of Weir Road, Kilmacolm (11/0071/IC)**

Decided: that planning permission be refused for the following reasons:-

(1) that the proposal is a significant over development, with an adverse impact on the shape and size of the existing house, rendering it unrecognizable, all contrary to policy H15 (c) of the Local Plan and the design guidance in the Council's PPAN5;

(2) as the proposed extensions result in an unexpected and awkward design, untypical of houses in the countryside and to the detriment of the quality of visual amenity which is currently enjoyed; and

(3) as the scale of the proposed garage is in excess of that expected for residential use, to the detriment of the quality of visual amenity in this part of Kilmacolm's countryside.

398 PLANNING APPEAL – OLD POLICE HOUSE, MAIN STREET, INVERKIP

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning advising that following the decision of the Board at the meeting held on 5 January 2011 to refuse planning permission for the change of use from police house/station to restaurant at the Old Police House, Main Street, Inverkip (10/0223/IC), an appeal against the refusal of planning permission had been made to the Scottish Government.

Noted

399 ADVERTISEMENT APPEAL – 1 CUSTOMHOUSE WAY, GREENOCK

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Regeneration & Planning advising that following the decision of the Board at the meeting held on 6 October 2010 to refuse advertisement consent for the display of a free standing illuminated design to Dalrymple Street at Lidl, 1 Customhouse Way, Greenock (10/0048/CA) and the subsequent appeal by the applicant to the Scottish Government against that refusal, the Reporter appointed by the Scottish Government had issued his decision which was to dismiss the appeal.

Noted

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 8 JUNE 2011

General Purposes BoardWednesday 8 June 2011 at 3 pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Blair (for Fyfe), Brooks, Dorrian, McCallum, McIlwee, Moran, Rebecchi and White.

Chair: Councillor White presided.

In attendance: Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Chief Inspector Shepherd and Sergeant Macdonald, Strathclyde Police.

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

400 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 400

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Fyfe, Grieve and MacLeod with Councillor Blair substituting for Councillor Fyfe.

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.

401 Application for Street Trader's Licence: Lori Campbell 401

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Street Trader's Licence by Miss Campbell to operate a mobile ice cream van throughout Inverclyde between the hours of 12 noon and 10 pm Mondays to Sundays following receipt of a police representation. Miss Campbell was in attendance. The Board heard Miss Campbell in support of her application and Chief Inspector Shepherd in support of their representation.

Decided: that the application be granted.

402 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Peter Armour 402

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Armour following receipt of a police representation. Mr Armour was in attendance and confirmed his new address as 11 Burnhead Street, Greenock. The Board heard Mr Armour in support of his application and Chief Inspector Shepherd in support of their representation.

Decided: that the application be continued to the August meeting of the General Purposes Board to allow Mr Armour to provide a letter from his GP in respect of issues raised following an incident last year as detailed in the report.

403 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: David Barclay 403

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Barclay following receipt of a police

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objection. Mr Barclay was not in attendance or represented.

Decided: that the application be refused.

404 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Mark McCafferty 404

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr McCafferty following receipt of a police observation. Mr McCafferty was in attendance with his agent, Mr Lamb, Maitlands, Solicitors. The Board heard Mr Lamb and Mr McCafferty in support of the application and Sergeant Macdonald in support of the observation.

Decided: that the application be granted.

405 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Samuel Mulholland 405

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Mulholland following receipt of a police objection. Mr Mulholland was not present or represented.

Decided: that the application be refused.

406 Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence: James Turner 406

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services requesting to uphold the decision to suspend Mr Turner's Taxi Driver's Licence. Mr Turner's licence was suspended with immediate effect given the nature of a letter of complaint by Strathclyde Police. Mr Turner was not present or represented.

Decided: that the suspension be upheld.

407 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: James Turner 407

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Turner following receipt of a police objection. Mr Turner was not present or represented.

Decided: that the application be refused.

408 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Billy McVey 408

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr McVey following receipt of a police representation. Mr McVey was in attendance with his representative Mr Travers. The Board heard Mr McVey in support of his application and Sergeant Macdonald in support of their representation.

Decided: that the application be granted.

409 Applications for Renewal of Taxi Licence: Clyde Cabs 409

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for renewal of Taxi Licence in the name of Clyde Cabs for vehicles specially adapted for the disabled. Mr Sweeney was in attendance. The Board heard Mr Sweeney in support of the application.

Decided: that the application be refused.

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Decided: that the application be granted.

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Decided: that the application be granted.

405 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Samuel Mulholland 405

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Mulholland following receipt of a police objection. Mr Mulholland was not present or represented.

Decided: that the application be refused.

406 Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence: James Turner 406

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services requesting to uphold the decision to suspend Mr Turner's Taxi Driver's Licence. Mr Turner's licence was suspended with immediate effect given the nature of a letter of complaint by Strathclyde Police. Mr Turner was not present or represented.

Decided: that the suspension be upheld.

407 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: James Turner 407

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Turner following receipt of a police objection. Mr Turner was not present or represented.

Decided: that the application be refused.

408 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Billy McVey 408

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr McVey following receipt of a police representation. Mr McVey was in attendance with his representative Mr Travers. The Board heard Mr McVey in support of his application and Sergeant Macdonald in support of their representation.

Decided: that the application be granted.

409 Applications for Renewal of Taxi Licence: Clyde Cabs 409

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for renewal of Taxi Licence in the name of Clyde Cabs for vehicles specially adapted for the disabled. Mr Sweeney was in attendance. The Board heard Mr Sweeney in support of the application.

Decided: that the application be refused.