

## HOUSING AND HEALTH COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Housing and Health Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 15 August 2012 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors D Doogan, K Howie, H Anderson, P Barrett, I Campbell, D Cuthbert, J Flynn, T Gray (substituting for E Maclachlan), D Melloy, W Robertson, H Stewart, G Walker and M Williamson.

In attendance: Councillor M Roberts; D Burke, Executive Director (Housing and Community Care); J Walker, Depute Director (Housing and Community Care); L Cameron, G Conway, N Copland, J Cruickshank, J Gilruth, P Henderson, J Mayglothling, L McCurrach, S Rankin, N Robson and A Taylor (all Housing and Community Care); B Nicoll and I Smillie (both Perth and Kinross Alcohol and Drug Partnership); K Sanger (Parent Representative); S Rattray, S Watson, C Flynn and P Frazer (all Chief Executive's Service).

Apologies: Councillor E Maclachlan; Mrs L Clark and Mrs E Muir (Tenants' and Residents' Federation).

Councillor D Doogan, Convener, Presiding.

The Convener led discussion for Articles 361, 362, 365, 366 and 367, the Vice-Convener for Articles 363 and 364.

### 359. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

### 360. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Housing and Health Committee of 6 June 2012 (Arts. 231-238) was submitted, approved as a correct record, and authorised for signature.

### 361. JOINT STRATEGY FOR LEARNING DISABILITY SERVICES 2012-2015

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (12/334) seeking approval for the Joint Strategy for Learning Disability Services 2012-2015 outlined in Appendix 1 to Report 12/334.

The Committee heard a presentation by Paul Henderson, Service Manager, Perth and Kinross Council and K Sanger, Parent Representative on the Joint Learning Disability and Autism Strategy 2012-2015.

#### **Resolved:**

- (i) The Joint Strategy for Learning Disability Services 2012-2015 as outlined in Appendix 1 to Report 12/334 be approved.

- (ii) The adoption of a local co-production model of joint leadership as outlined in Section 3 of Report 12/334 be endorsed.
- (iii) The adoption of an Integrated Resource Framework approach as outlined in Section 3 of Report 12/334 be approved.

### **362. ALCOHOL AND DRUG PARTNERSHIP (ADP) STRATEGY 2012-2015**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (12/335) presenting the Alcohol and Drug Partnership (ADP) Strategy for 2012-2015, which outlined the priorities and actions needed to address the current and anticipated challenges of alcohol and drug misuse in Perth and Kinross.

#### **Resolved:**

- (i) The Action Plan as outlined in the Alcohol and Drug Partnership Strategy for 2012-2015 be endorsed.
- (ii) The Executive Director, Housing and Community Care be instructed to submit regular progress reports on the Action Plan to future Committees.

### **363. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY CARE (COMPLAINTS REPORT) CUSTOMER FEEDBACK**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (12/336) outlining: (1) complaints received between April 2011 and March 2012 across Housing and Community Care; (2) the number of informal complaints received; (3) examples of feedback from customer satisfaction surveys; and (4) actions required to improve services.

#### **Resolved:**

- (i) The contents of Report 12/336 and the impact that feedback from complaints on improving services be noted.
- (ii) It be noted that Report 12/336 would be submitted to the next meeting of the Scrutiny Committee on 19 September 2012 to scrutinise and comment as appropriate.

### **364. STRATEGIC HOUSING INVESTMENT PLAN AND STRATEGIC LOCAL PROGRAMME 2012-2015**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (12/337) (1) seeking approval for the Perth and Kinross Council Strategic Housing Investment Plan and Strategic Local Programme 2012-15; (2) setting out affordable housing investment priorities 2012-15; and (3) detailing specific projects which it is proposed will be developed during 2012-15.

#### **Resolved:**

The Strategic Housing Investment Plan and Strategic Local Programme as detailed in Appendices 1 and 2 respectively to Report 12/337 be approved.

### **365. USE OF COUNCIL TAX TO DELIVER AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (12/338) making recommendations on the use of Council Tax Reserves to facilitate the delivery of affordable housing.

#### **Resolved:**

The recommendations outlined in Section 3 of Report 12/338 be reflected in the Revenue Budget 2012-13 – Monitoring Report being submitted to the next meeting of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee on 19 September 2012.

### **366. THE FUTURE OF RIGHT TO BUY IN SCOTLAND**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (12/339) seeking approval for a proposed response on the Scottish Government's Right to Buy consultation as set out in Appendix 1.

#### **Resolved:**

The response to the Scottish Government's Right to Buy consultation as set out in Appendix 1 to Report 12/339 be approved.

### **367. TENDERS ACCEPTED AND WORKS AWARDED UNDER DELEGATED POWERS**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (12/340) detailing the tenders accepted and works awarded by the Executive Director, Housing and Community Care under delegated powers since the last report to Committee and up to 30 June 2012.

#### **Resolved:**

The contents of Report 12/340 and the contracts awarded as detailed in Appendix 1 be noted.

