

HOUSING AND SOCIAL WELLBEING COMMITTEE

Minute of hybrid meeting of the Housing and Social Wellbeing Committee held in the Council Chambers, 2 High Street, Perth on 15 March 2023 at 9.30am.

Present: Bailies C Ahern, R Brock and C McLaren; Councillors P Barrett, B Brawn, S Donaldson, M Frampton, I James, N Khogali, B Leishman, I MacPherson, S McCole, T McEwan, F Smith and J Welch.

In Attendance: B Renton, Executive Director (Communities); C Mailer, E Ritchie, M Dow, J McColl, N Lennon, M Smith, S Coyle, B Wilson (from Item 5 onwards), C Hendry, A Saum, H Kettles, B Cargill, M Lynch, S Watson, D Stokoe and L Haxton (all Communities); A Taylor, S Hendry, A Brown and M Pasternak (all Corporate and Democratic Services).

Also in Attendance: Chief Inspector T Leonard and Inspector G Burns (up to and including Item 6) (both Police Scotland); Local Senior Officer J Sharp, Group Commander S Kabamba and Station Commander J Fitzpatrick (up to and including Item 6) (all Scottish Fire and Rescue Service); and L Palmer (Tenant's Representative) (from Item 7 onwards).

Councillor T McEwan, Convener, Presiding.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Councillor T McEwan welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were no apologies.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interests in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct

3. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of the meeting of the Housing and Communities Committee of 25 January 2023 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

4. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS STATEMENT

Resolved:

The Outstanding Business Statement be noted.

5. PRESENTATION: ROAD SAFETY AND ROAD CRIME

Station Commander J Fitzpatrick from the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and Inspector G Burns from the Police Scotland Road Policing Unit provided a joint [slide-based presentation](#) covering all aspects of Road Safety and Road Crime.

Both Station Commander Fitzpatrick and Inspector Burns answered members' questions thereon.

The Convener thanked both Station Commander Fitzpatrick and Inspector Burns for their very informative presentation and thanked them for their attendance.

6. PERTH AND KINROSS LOCAL POLICE PLAN 2023-2026

There was submitted a report by Chief Superintendent P Davison, Police Scotland 'D' Division (Tayside) (23/81) (1) presenting the final draft of the Local Police Plan 2023-2026; and (2) seeking endorsement of the Plan.

Resolved:

The Local Police Plan 2023-2026 as detailed in Appendix 1 of Report 23/81, be approved.

CHIEF INSPECTOR T LEONARD, INSPECTOR G BURNS, AREA MANAGER J SHARP, GROUP COMMANDER S KEBAMBA AND STATION COMMANDER J FITZPATRICK ALL LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

7. LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY 2022-2027

There was submitted a joint report by Head of Planning and Development and Senior Service Manager (Communities) (23/82) seeking approval of the new five-year Local Housing Strategy (LHS) 2022- 2027 for Perth and Kinross to meet the requirements of housing legislation and Scottish Government guidance.

A short video-clip on the Local Housing Strategy 2022-2027 was played to the Committee: [Local Housing Strategy 2022-2027](#).

Resolved:

- (i) The content of the new Local Housing Strategy (LHS) for the period 2022-2027 as detailed in Appendix 1 of Report 23/82, be approved.
- (ii) The content of the Local Housing Strategy 2022-2027 Action Plan as detailed in Appendix 2 of Report 23/82, be approved.
- (iii) The submission of the Local Housing Strategy 2022-2027 to the Scottish Government, be approved.
- (iv) It be noted that certain actions will be the subject of future reports to relevant committees, depending on specific remits as detailed in Paragraph 8.3 of Report 23/82.

THERE FOLLOWED A SHORT RECESS AND THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 11.52AM.

8. COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

There was a report submitted by Head of Cultural and Community Services (23/83) providing an update on the work of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) since the previous report on 25 January 2023.

Resolved:

The contents of Report 23/83, be noted.

D STOKOE AND L HAXTON LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

9. PRESENTATION – UPDATE ON COST OF LIVING/CHILD POVERTY

C Mailer, Executive Lead – Strategic Planning and Transformation provided a [slide-based presentation](#) on the current cost of living crisis and its effects on the people of Perth and Kinross.

C Mailer answered members' questions thereon.

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