

HOUSING AND HEALTH COMMITTEE

Minute of meeting of the Housing and Health Committee held in the Gannochy Suite, Dewars Centre, Glover Street, Perth on Wednesday 27 May 2015 at 10.00am.

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

In attendance: J Walker, Executive Director (Housing and Community Care); C Barnett, J Beverly, L Cameron, J Cruickshank, M Dow, D Fraser, J Gilruth, K Heller, P Henderson, C Hendry, C Mailer, M McClay, E McMullen, E Ritchie, N Robson and A Taylor (all Housing and Community Care); C Flynn and P Frazer (both Chief Executive's Service)

Also in attendance: A Ramsey, Tenants Representative.

Apologies for Absence: Councillors D Cuthbert, J Flynn and E Maclachlan

The Convener led discussions for Arts. 337-342 and 345-347 and the Vice Convener for Arts. 343 and 344.

337. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Convener welcomed all those present to the meeting. Apologies and substitutes were noted as above

338. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

339. MINUTES

The minute of the meeting of the Housing and Health Committee of 11 March 2015 (Arts. 172 - 180) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

340. PERTH AND KINROSS COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP – HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION PATHFINDER BOARD

- (i) The minute of the meeting of 30 January 2015 was submitted and noted.
- (ii) There was submitted and noted a briefing note by the Executive Lead Officer (15/217) providing a brief overview of the content and progress associated with the Action Plan presented to the meeting of the Health and Social Care Integration Pathfinder Board on 10 April 2015 and incorporating further progress made in recent weeks.

341. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY CARE JOINT BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (15/206) presenting the Joint Business Management and Improvement Plan 2015/16 and Annual Performance Report 2014/15 for Housing and Community Care.

Resolved

- (i) The Joint Business Management and Improvement Plan 2015/16 and Annual Performance Report 2014/15, pertaining to the Housing and Health Committee's area of responsibility, as detailed in Appendix 1 to Report 15/206, be approved.
- (ii) It be noted that the Joint Business Management and Improvement Plan 2015/16 and Annual Performance Report 2014/15 had also been considered by the Community Safety Committee on 20 May 2015 and would be submitted to the meeting of the Scrutiny Committee on 17 June 2015.
- (iii) Instruct the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) to submit a report on the review of the Allocations Policy in six months time.

342. IMPLEMENTATION OF HOUSING WITH ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (15/218) providing an update on the implementation of housing with additional support, initially in five sheltered housing units in Perth City.

Resolved

- (i) The proposed development of housing with additional support in five units in Perth City as outlined in Report 15/218, be noted.
- (ii) The Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) be instructed to submit a progress report to Housing and Health Committee in March 2016.

343. HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY WORKS

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (15/219) (1) summarising the significant funding awarded to Perth and Kinross Council; (2) the impact this has had, and will continue to have, on reducing energy bills and promoting energy efficiency for households across Perth and Kinross; (3) outlines proposals for continuing with further energy saving initiatives in 2015/16; and (4) seeks homologation of actions taken to help secure funding for these schemes.

Resolved

- (i) Significant investment and improvements made to support energy efficiency in households across Perth and Kinross, be noted.
- (ii) The actions already taken to submit funding applications for the Scottish Government's Home Energy Efficiency Programme Scotland – Area Based Schemes for 2015/16; be homologated.
- (iii) The actions already taken to secure ECO funding from SSE for the 2015/16 programme, be homologated.

344. RESHAPING CARE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (15/220) advising on the evaluation of successful Reshaping Older People's Services Change Fund activity and measures to ensure their sustainability.

Resolved

- (i) Instruct the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) to continue to work with colleagues in NHS Tayside to identify medium term funding, beyond April 2016 to support successful Change Fund initiatives.
- (ii) Instruct the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) to bring forward a further report to Committee in six months' time.

345. DISPOSAL OF LAND AT MUIRTON TO CALEDONIA HOUSING ASSOCIATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL AND PRIVATE HOUSING

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (15/221) seeking approval for the sale of land to Caledonia Housing Association (CHA) for the development of Phase 6 of the Muirton Park Regeneration area, at an initial sale price of £1 with a deferred minimum payment of £940,000 payable within five years.

Resolved

- (i) The sale of land to Caledonia Housing Association (CHA) for the development of Phase 6, be approved, subject to ministerial consent.
- (ii) It be noted that Report 15/221 would be submitted to a special meeting of the Property Sub-Committee of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee on 27 May 2015 to approve the terms of the sale of the Muirton site for the final phase of development.

346. REFURBISHMENT OF SHOPS AND FLAT AT 99-119 DUNKELD ROAD, PERTH

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (15/222) seeking approval for the refurbishment of shops and flats at 99 – 119 Dunkeld Road, Perth.

Resolved

- (i) Proposals to upgrade the Dunkeld Road shops and area at the rear of the shops, be agreed.
- (ii) It be agreed that the estimated costs of £849,000 be paid through the Housing Revenue Account (HRA).
- (iii) Instruct the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) to provide an update to the meeting of the Housing and Health Committee on 4 November 2015.

IT WAS AGREED THAT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM IN ORDER TO AVOID THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION WHICH IS EXEMPT IN TERMS OF SCHEDULE 7A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973.

347. UPDATE ON GLENEARN ROAD, PERTH

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (15/223) proposing future options for the Council-owned properties at Nos. 9 – 19, Glenearn Road, Perth and the rear gardens at Nos. 1 – 13 St Magdalene's Road, Perth, including demolition and post-demolition treatment.

Resolved

- (i) The current status of tenants of the six Council houses at Glenearn Road, Perth, be noted.
- (ii) The position in relation to houses at St Magdalen's Road, Perth and the further remedial work required, which will be funded by the Council, be noted.
- (iii) Option 4 for the six Council houses in Glenearn Road, Perth, which will resolve the land contamination issue and provide new affordable housing on the site, namely the option for 8 x 2 apartment homes, and the costs associated with this, be approved.