PROVOST'S SUB-COMMITTEE OF PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

Minute of hybrid meeting of the Provost's Sub-Committee of Perth and Kinross Council held in the Council Chamber, Ground Floor, 2 High Street, Perth on Monday 23 January 2023 at 1.00pm.

Present: Provost X McDade, Depute Provost A Parrott and Bailies C Ahern, A Bailey, R Brock, C McLaren and M Williamson.

In Attendance: S Hendry, A Brown, M Pasternak, M Glencorse and S Grant (all Corporate and Democratic Services.)

Provost X McDade, Presiding.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Provost welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of the Provost's Sub-Committee of 14 August 2019 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

4. PROPOSED CELEBRATIONS TO MARK THE 25TH TWINNING ANNIVERSARY BETWEEN PERTH AND BYDGOSZCZ

There was submitted a report by the Acting Democratic Services Manager (23/13) providing the Sub-Committee with an update on a proposal to mark the 25th twinning anniversary between Perth and Bydgoszcz in 2023, including to officially invite the Civic Head of the city of Bydgoszcz to Perth from 8 to 12 June 2023.

Resolved:

- (i) It be agreed in principle that the Council marks the 25th twinning anniversary between Perth and Bydgoszcz by hosting a twinning celebration weekend from 8 to 12 June 2023.
- (ii) An invitation be extended to President Rafal Bruski and delegation from Bydgoszcz to attend events in Perth from 8 to 12 June 2023.
- (iii) It be agreed that any formal invitation for the Provost to visit Bydgoszcz is accepted, subject to dates, and that the Council is represented by the Provost, Bailie Bailey and the Chief Executive, supported by the Council Officer.
- (iv) The Council to seek external funding towards costs for the anniversary celebrations in Perth from 8 to 12 June 2023, with a further report back providing more detailed costings to a future meeting.

5. CIVIC ACTIVITIES AND FORWARD PLANNING

There was submitted a report by the Acting Democratic Services Manager (23/14) providing the Sub-Committee with an update on civic activities since the local government elections in May 2022 and also proposed future planning.

Resolved:

The contents of the report be noted and endorsed.

6. PROPOSED FLAGS PROTOCOL – COUNCIL BUILDING, 2 HIGH STREET, PERTH

There was submitted a report by the Acting Democratic Services Manager (23/15) providing the Sub-Committee with a proposal to review and replace the flags and flagpoles outside the Council building at 2 High Street, Perth and proposing that a new flag protocol for the building is adopted.

Motion (Provost McDade and Bailie Williamson)

- (i) The majority of the existing flag poles on the 2 High Street building, apart from three flags to be refurbished / renewed as set out in option three in section six of the report, to be removed.
- (ii) This work to be undertaken in 2023/24 so that the new flags are in place for summer 2024.
- (iii) A new flags protocol for the Council Building at 2 High Street, Perth, as set out in Appendix 1 of the report, be agreed.

Proposed Amendment by Depute Provost:

In accordance with the Motion, but with the following addition: Moving forward, it be intended to progressively add six further flags per year from European neighbours and Commonwealth partners into the schedule of dates to raise AN Other flags. These to be agreed each year going forward as part of the detailed programme of flag flying for the year. For 2023 the countries to be Germany, Poland, France, Ukraine, Canada and Australia and in 2024 these would include the USA and China.

The mover and seconder of the Motion agreed to incorporate the proposed amendment into the Motion.

Resolved:

In accordance with the Revised Motion.