ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minute of meeting of the Environment Committee held in the Gannochy Suite, Dewar's Centre, Glover Street, Perth on Wednesday 11 November 2015 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors A Grant, M Williamson, M Barnacle, R Brock, A Cowan (substituting for M Lyle), B Ellis, C Gillies, T Gray (substituting for A Younger), G Laing, E Maclachlan, D Melloy, W Robertson, and M Roberts.

In Attendance: B Renton, Director (Environment); S Best and B Reekie (both the Environment Service); C Flynn and H Rheinallt (both Corporate and Democratic Services)

Apologies for Absence: Councillors M Lyle and A Younger.

Councillor A Grant, Convener, Presiding.

726. WELCOME

The Convener welcomed all those present to the meeting, and apologies were noted as above.

727. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

728. MINUTE

The minute of meeting of the Environment Committee of 9 September 2015 (Arts 539-545) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

729. OUTDOOR ACCESS FORUM (Article 545(v) refers)

Following an issue raised by Councillor M Barnacle regarding Council membership on the Outdoor Access Forum, a request has been put on the agenda for the next meeting of the Forum, scheduled to take place on Thursday 19 November 2015. The Committee noted that as it is likely to require a change to the Outdoor Access Forum's Terms of Reference, the matter may require to be considered at the Annual General Meeting, which is to be held in April 2016.

730. PERTH AND KINROSS COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP – COMMUNITY SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT GROUP

(i) Update report from meeting of 21 August 2015

There was submitted and noted a summary report by the Director (Housing and Community Care) (15/445) advising the Committee of the recent reports presented to the Community Safety and Environment Group.

731. NEW HOUSEHOLD WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICE

A presentation on the new household waste and recycling service was given by S Best, Commercial Waste and Contracts Team Leader.

Resolved:

The new household waste and recycling service be noted.

732. RURAL GARDEN AND FOOD WASTE EXPANSION

A presentation on the feasibility of rural garden and food waste expansion was given by B Reekie, Waste Services Manager.

Resolved

The feasibility of rural garden and food waste expansion, be noted.

733. THE ENVIRONMENT SERVICE SIX MONTH PERFORMANCE SUMMARY 2015

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (15/446), reviewing the performance of the Environment Service against its Business Management and Improvement Plan (BMIP) for the period 1 April 2015 to 30 September 2015.

Resolved:

- (i) The contents of The Environment Service Six Monthly Performance Summary, 1 April 2015 to 30 September 2015, as detailed in Appendix 1 of Report 15/446, and pertaining to this Committee's area of responsibility, be accepted.
- (ii) It be noted that Report 15/446 was submitted to and approved by the Community Safety Committee on 28 October 2015, would be submitted to the Enterprise and Infrastructure Committee at a meeting later in the day, and to the Scrutiny Committee on 2 December 2015 for Scrutiny and comment as appropriate.

734. WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN 2010-2025 - PROGRESS REPORT

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (15/532), (1) providing an update on progress with the Action Plan of the Perth and Kinross Waste Management Plan, approved by the Environment Committee in November 2010 (Report 10/597 refers); and (2) recommending approval of the new actions 70-75 (as detailed in Part 2 of Appendix 1 to report 15/532) which are in line with recent national regulatory and strategy developments.

Resolved:

- (i) The annual update on progress on the Waste Management Action Plan, be noted.
- (ii) The new actions 70-75 of the Waste Management Action Plan set out at Part 2 of Appendix 1 to report 15/532, be approved.

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