

SPECIAL ENVIRONMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Minute of hybrid special meeting of the Environment, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee held in the Council Chambers on 6 March 2023 at 10.00am.

Present: Bailies A Bailey, C McLaren and M Williamson, Councillors H Anderson (substituting for N Khogali), K Allan, S Carr, A Forbes, K Harvey, A Parrott, C Reid (substituting for J Duff), W Robertson, F Smith, C Stewart, R Watters and J Welch.

In Attendance: B Renton, Executive Director (Communities); M Butterworth, B Cargill and J Watson (all Communities); A Taylor, A Brown and R Ramsay (all Corporate and Democratic Services).

Also in Attendance: Provost X McDade; P Heselwood, T Lindblade and R Corscadden (all 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships), J Steele (VisitScotland) and M Smith (Golazo Cycling Limited).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors J Duff and N Khogali.

Councillor A Parrott, Convener, Presiding.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Councillor A Parrott welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies for absence and substitutions were noted as above.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

3. THE 2023 UCI CYCLING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS - GRAN FONDO ROAD RACE

There was submitted a report by the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services (23/79) seeking approval for Perth and Kinross Council to host the Gran Fondo Road Race on Friday 4 August 2023 as part of the UCI World Cycling Championships.

P Heselwood, T Lindblade, R Corscadden, J Steele and M Smith provided a slide-based presentation and answered members questions. Provost X McDade, also addressed the Committee and answered members questions.

Motion (Councillor A Parrott and Bailie M Williamson):

- (i) It be agreed that Perth and Kinross host the Gran Fondo Road Race, as part of the 2023 UCI World Cycling Championships.**

- (ii) **The proposed route of the Gran Fondo, which will take place in Perth and Kinross on 4 August 2023, as set out in Appendix A of Report 23/79, be approved.**
- (iii) **The Head of Environmental and Consumer Services, in consultation with the relevant ward members agree any further changes to the proposed route as planning for the event develops.**
- (iv) **The allocation of £0.280m approved by the Finance and Resources Committee to support the event taking place, be noted.**

Amendment (Councillors C Stewart and H Anderson):

To defer approval of the proposed route for the Gran Fondo to a later meeting or special meeting of this Committee or its Executive Sub-Committee, so that officers can engage with the organisers and establish an alternative, less disruptive route/date (within the 3rd-13th August 2023 window), and can pro-actively consult with affected residents, businesses and communities using the council's established framework.

In terms of Standing Order 21, a roll call vote was taken:

13 Members voted for the Motion, as follows:

Bailies A Bailey, C McLaren and M Williamson, Councillors K Allan, S Carr, A Forbes, K Harvey, A Parrott, C Reid, W Robertson, F Smith, R Watters and J Welch.

2 Members voted for the Amendment, as follows:

Councillors H Anderson and C Stewart.

Resolved:

In accordance with the Motion.

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