

EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE STRATEGIC POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Minute of meeting of the Executive Sub-Committee of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee held in the Hay Room, First Floor, Dewar's Centre, Glover Street, Perth on Thursday 30 July 2015 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors I Miller, A Grant, I Campbell (substituting for M Roberts), A MacLellan and W Wilson (substituting for P Barrett).

In Attendance: J Fyffe Executive Director (Education and Children's Services); J Valentine, Executive Director (Environment); J Gilruth (Housing and Community Care); S MacKenzie (The Environment Service); and J Bryn Jones, D Coyne; K Donaldson, C Flynn, J Somerville and S Walker (all Chief Executive's Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors P Barrett and M Roberts.

Councillor I Miller, Convener, Presiding.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES/SUBSTITUTES

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

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

3. CORPORATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BUDGET

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Environment) (15/309) seeking approval for the payment of applications to the Council's Corporate Financial Assistance Budget made in the current financial year.

Resolved:

Grant funding of £16,162 from the Corporate Financial Assistance Budget in 2015/16 and detailed in Appendix 1 to Report 15/309, be approved subject to consultation with and the agreement of the relevant local members.

4. SCHEME OF ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY COUNCILS – PROPOSED AMENDMENTS IN RESPECT OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Head of Democratic Services (15/310) seeking authority to amend the Scheme of Establishment of Community Councils in respect of the age limit on eligibility to stand for election to Community Councils and to vote in Community Council elections.

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Resolved

- (i) The Scheme of Establishment of Community Councils be amended to allow the age at which someone can stand for and vote at Community Council elections be reduced to 16 with immediate effect.
- (ii) The Head of Democratic Services be instructed to advise all Community Councils of this change as a matter of urgency.
- (iii) It be noted that the electoral register published on 1 August 2015 would be used for the Community Council elections on 5 November 2015.

5. WORKFORCE MANAGEMENT – RECRUITMENT MEASURES AND LEARN TO TEACH PROGRAMME

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Human Resources Manager (15/311) seeking approval for additional recruitment measures which can be deployed for hard to fill posts as part of the workforce management strategy.

Resolved

- (i) The ongoing development of additional measures to support recruitment to hard to fill posts, as detailed in Section 3 of Report 15/311, be noted.
- (ii) The increase in the financial ceiling within the Removal and Relocation scheme to £7000 be approved.
- (iii) The provision of a commuting allowance, where supply staff are used to cover hard to fill posts, be approved.
- (iv) The Learn to Teach Programme be approved.
- (v) The Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) be instructed to conclude discussions with the Scottish Government and the University of Dundee on the Learn to Teach Programme.
- (vi) The Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) be instructed to submit a report to the Lifelong Learning Committee on teacher numbers in August 2015.
- (vii) The Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) be instructed to report progress in the Learn to Teach Programme during the academic session 2017/18.

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

P1. PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL DESIGN BUILD FINANCE AND MANAGE (DBFM REVENUE) PROGRAMME UPDATE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (15/312) (1) updating the Sub-Committee on the current status of the Council's Design Build Finance and Manage (DBFM) (Revenue) Programme following Scottish Futures Trusts guidance in respect of changes in the European Standard Accounting regulations; and (2) outlining the impact on DBFM (Revenue) Programmes, including the move to full revenue funding finance arrangements.

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Resolved:

- (i) The programme as previously agreed by the Executive Sub-Committee of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee on 27 October 2014 under a Design Build Finance and Manage (DBFM) (Revenue) approach, be split to allow the development of Tulloch and Kinross Primary Schools to be delivered under a Design Build Development Agreement (DBDA) (Capital) approach.
- (ii) The virements, detailed in Paragraph 3.4 of Report 15/312, to allow the capital funding of the Tulloch and Kinross Primary Schools projects to proceed, be approved.
- (iii) In order to de-risk the new secondary school programme, the operational date be rephrased to August 2019 under the Design, Build, Finance and Manage (Revenue) approach as detailed in Report 15/312.

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