

ENVIRONMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Minute of hybrid meeting of the Environment, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday 29 March 2023 at 9.30am.

Present: Bailies A Bailey, C McLaren and M Williamson, Councillors K Allan, S Carr, J Duff (from Item 4 onwards), S Donaldson (substituting for Councillor K Harvey), A Forbes, N Khogali, I Massie (substituting for Councillor R Watters), A Parrott, W Robertson, F Smith, C Stewart, and J Welch.

In Attendance: B Renton, Executive Director (Communities); D Littlejohn, M Butterworth, S Best, B Cargill, C Leishman, J Watson, E Williamson, R Wills, B Wilson (from Item 4 onwards) (all Communities); S Hendry, A Taylor, M Pasternak and R Ramsay (all Corporate and Democratic Services).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors K Harvey and R Watters.

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. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

(i) Minute of Meeting of the Environment, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee of 16 November 2022

The minute of the meeting of the Environment, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee of 16 November 2022 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

(ii) Minute of Special Meeting of the Environment, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee of 6 March 2023

The minute of the special meeting of the Environment, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee of 6 March 2023 was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

4. MOTION

Re-Assessment of Conservation Areas in Perth and Kinross

Motion (Councillors N Khogali and A Forbes)

To move that the Environment, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee be asked to consider the issue of Conservation Areas and commit the Council to an ongoing re-assessment of these areas in Perth and Kinross, with a recommendation from this Committee that there be a minimum of 4 reviews per year and using an approach that both protects areas of historical and architectural significance, but is also fit for purpose in line with Council commitments regarding Climate Change and Sustainability.

To acknowledge that local authorities are unable to amend regulations regarding what development is permitted within a Conservation Area without planning permission and ask the Convener of this Committee to write to the relevant Scottish Government minister requesting that a review into permitted development rights within Conservation Areas is undertaken with the utmost urgency.

Resolved:

In accordance with the Motion.

4. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS STATEMENTS (OBS)

Resolved:

The Outstanding Business Statement be noted and updated accordingly.

5. ACTIVE TRAVEL STRATEGY - CYCLING, WALKING AND SAFER ROUTES (CWSR) PROJECTS 2023/24

There was submitted a report by Head of Environmental and Consumer Services (23/103) (1) detailing the Cycling, Walking and Safer Routes (CWSR) projects implemented in 2022/23, and (2) seeking approval of the proposed list of Cycling, Walking and Safer Routes projects for 2023/24.

Resolved:

- (i) The schemes implemented from the Cycling, Walking and Safer Routes Grant Funding in 2022/23 as detailed at Appendix 1 of Report 23/103, be noted
- (ii) The list of works for Cycling, Walking and Safer Routes projects for the financial year 2023/24 as detailed in Appendix 2 of Report 23/103, be approved.

7. GYPSY/TRAVELLER SITES STANDARDS GUIDANCE NOTE

There was submitted a report by Head of Planning and Development (23/104) (1) summarising the background and development of non-statutory planning guidance and the comments received during the formal consultation carried out in

2022; and (2) seeking approval to finalise and adopt the guidance to support the Local Development Plan (adopted November 2019) as non-statutory guidance.

Resolved:

The Gypsy/Traveller Site Standards Guidance Note to support the implementation of Policy 21 of the Local Development Plan, be approved.

THERE FOLLOWED A SHORT RECESS AND THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 11.04AM.

8. MOBILITY STRATEGY MAIN ISSUES REPORT

There was submitted a report by Head of Planning and Development (23/105) seeking approval of the Mobility Strategy Main Issues Report for use towards early-stage consultation.

Resolved:

- (i) The contents of the Mobility Strategy Main Issues Report as detailed in Appendix 1 to Report 23/105, along with the Mobility Strategy project plan, be approved.
- (ii) It be noted that feedback from the Main Issues Report and Big Place Conversation will be collated, summarised, and presented within the draft Mobility Strategy for approval in 2024.

9. WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN 2010-2025 - PROGRESS REPORT

There was submitted a report by Head of Environmental and Consumer Services (23/106) (1) providing an update on progress with the Perth and Kinross Council Waste Management Action Plan and giving an overview of the national policy and legislative position; and (2) seeking approval of six new actions (115-120).

Resolved:

- (i) The annual update on progress on the Waste Management Action Plan, be scrutinised
- (ii) The six new actions (115-120) as detailed in Appendix 1 to Report 23/106, be approved
- (iii) It be noted that the current Waste Management Plan will be reviewed in 2023/24 as per action 116.

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