

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL  
ENVIRONMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE  
20 MARCH 2019

## **ENVIRONMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**

Minute of meeting of the Environment and Infrastructure Committee held in the Council Chamber, 2 High Street, Perth on 20 March 2019 at 1.00pm.

Present: Councillors A Bailey, K Baird, M Barnacle, D Doogan, S Donaldson (up to Art.150), J Duff, D Illingworth (substituting for Councillor Forbes) (up to Art.150), A Jarvis, G Laing, R McCall, A Parrott, C Reid, W Robertson, L Simpson and M Williamson.

In Attendance: B Renton, Executive Director (Housing and Environment); K McNamara, Depute Director (Housing and Environment); W Young, B Cargill, A Finlayson, A Graham, D Littlejohn, L Maclean, J McCrone, D McKeown, M Morgan and M Roy (all Housing and Environment); C Flynn and K Molley (Corporate and Democratic Services).

Apologies for Absence: Councillor A Forbes.

Councillor K Baird, Vice-Convenor, Presiding.

### **137. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

The Vice-Convenor welcomed everyone to the meeting and an apology was noted above.

### **138. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

In terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct:

- (i) Councillor S Donaldson declared a non- financial interest in Art.151.
- (ii) Councillor D Illingworth declared a financial interest in Art.151.

### **139. REQUEST FOR DEPUTATION**

In terms of Standing Order 72, The Committee agreed that Andrew Warrington and Carol Duncan, Trustees of the Auchterarder Community Bus Group, be allowed to address the Committee in relation to Art 141.

### **140. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minute of the meeting of the Environment and Infrastructure Committee of 23 January 2019 (Arts 29-39) was submitted and approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

### **141. AUCHTERARDER COMMUNITY FACILITIES FUND**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Environment) (19/80) seeking the determination of an application for funding from

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Auchterarder Community Bus Group for a contribution of £15,000 towards an Auchterarder Town Bus Service.

Mr Warrington and Ms Duncan addressed the Committee and answered questions from members before returning to the public gallery.

**Resolved:**

- (i) A grant of £150,000 over four years be made to Auchterarder Community Bus Group, towards the cost of the Auchterarder Town Bus Service, subject to available monies within the fund, match funding availability and satisfactory income generation from fares revenue.
- (ii) The Executive Director (Housing and Environment) be requested to bring back a report on the progress of the Auchterarder Town Bus Service in due course.

**142. PERTH CYCLE NETWORK MASTERPLAN**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Environment) (19/81) (1) outlining the context for developing the Perth Cycle Network Masterplan in relation to environmental and transport pressures along with community, health and business benefits; and (2) seeking approval to integrate the development of cycle networks within strategic planning and placemaking guidance.

**Resolved:**

- (i) The current policy support for cycling investment as part of broader transport investment, be noted.
- (ii) It be agreed to submit the final business case to Sustrans and Transport Scotland by the deadline of 26 April 2019 based on known match funding from Perth & Kinross Council, be agreed.
- (iii) The Cycling Masterplan as detailed in Appendix 1 to report 19/81), allowing officers to augment and provide appropriate design principles and concepts for the core route projects, be approved.
- (iv) It be agreed that design details for different roads hierarchies should be prepared for the Local Development Plan 2 Placemaking Supplementary Guidance technical note on Cycle Friendly Routes and Cycle Friendly infrastructure.
- (v) It be noted that an update on the outcome of the final decision will be provided to Committee after the summer, to advise on how the investment will proceed or an alternative approach if the bid is not successful.

**143. ROAD SAFETY PROJECTS ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

There was submitted report by the Depute Director (Housing and Environment) (19/83) proposing a criteria-based system approach for prioritising the large number of ad-hoc requests that the Traffic Management and Roads Safety team receives for additional road safety measures.

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Motion Councillors Baird and Duff

- (i) The work underway to respond to the demand challenges facing the Traffic and Network Team, be noted.
- (ii) The assessment criteria for use in prioritising requests for traffic management and road safety schemes as detailed at paragraphs 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4 above and in Appendix 1 to Report 19/83, be approved.

Councillors Bailey and Parrott whilst agreeing the assessment criteria for traffic management and road safety schemes as detailed at paragraphs 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4 and in Appendix 1 of the report, suggested amendments to Appendix 1 to Report 19/83 as follows:

Appendix 1 Collisions

- 1 point for slight, 3 points for serious and 5 points for fatal.

Appendix 1 Causalities

- 1 point be added to the Casualty category for each person slightly injured, 3 points for each person seriously injured and 5 points for each fatality.
- Officers shall, at their discretion, be able to reduce the score of locations where fatal or serious accidents have occurred but where the police report concludes that road design was not a contributory factor.

Councillors Baird and Duff agreed to accept the changes as proposed by Councillors Bailey and Parrott.

Thereafter the Committee resolved:

- (i) The work underway to respond to the demand challenges facing the Traffic and Network Team, be noted.
- (ii) The assessment criteria for use in prioritising requests for traffic management and road safety schemes as detailed at paragraphs 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4 above and in Appendix 1 to Report 19/83 be approved subject to the following amendments to Appendix 1:

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**144. SCHOOL EXCLUSION ZONES**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Housing and Environment) (19/84) assessing the trial of School Exclusion Zones, with recommendations for future actions.

**Resolved:**

- (i) The information within the report in relation to the trials at the four schools, be noted.
- (ii) The retention of the School Exclusion Zone for Arngask Primary School on its current form through the creation of a Traffic Regulation Order, be approved.
- (iii) Officers be requested to undertake an engagement exercise with members of the community to gauge opinion about whether the School Exclusions Zone should be extended to cover Greenbank Crescent, Glenfarg.
- (iv) The retention of the School Exclusion Zone for Burrelton Primary School in its current form through the creation of a Traffic Regulation Order, be approved
- (v) The retention of the School Exclusion Zone for Coupar Angus Primary School in its current form through the creation of a Traffic Regulation Order, be approved.
- (vi) The retention of the School Exclusion Zone for Luncarty Primary School in its current form through the creation of a Traffic Regulation Order, be approved.
- (vii) The Depute Director (Housing and Environment) be requested to bring areport recommending additional schools where the School Exclusion Zones could be installed to the Committee meeting in Autumn 2019.

**145. PERTH AND KINROSS 20MPH SPEED LIMIT TRIAL**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Housing and Environment) (19/85) setting out the trial sites that have been identified to help inform a refresh of the current 20mph Speed Limit Strategy.

**Resolved:**

- (i) The Depute Director (Housing and Environment) be requested to bring a further report on the completion of the 18 month trial.
- (ii) The proposal for Errol as outlined in paragraphs 2.7 and 2.8 of report 19/85, be approved.
- (iii) The proposal for Rattray as outlined in paragraph 2.9 of report 19/85, be approved.
- (iv) The proposal for Aberfeldy as outlined in paragraphs 2.10 and 2.11 of report 19/85, be approved.
- (v) The proposal for Dalginross, Comrie as outlined in paragraphs 2.12 of report 19/85, be approved.
- (vi) The proposal for Kinnesswood as outlined in paragraph 2.13 of report 19/85, be approved.
- (vii) It be approved that the Traffic and Network team start consulting with members of the public.
- (viii) Preparation of the Traffic Regulation Order for the sites agreed for the trial, be approved.

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**146. CITY OF PERTH WINTER FESTIVAL**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Housing and Environment) (19/86) outlining the approach taken to the development and implementation of the 2018/19 City of Perth Winter Festival and its estimated impacts.

**Resolved:**

- (i) The approach to the development of the Perth Winter Festival in 2018/19 and its performance, be noted.
- (ii) Ongoing engagement with elected members on the development of the future Winter Festival programmes, be approved
- (iii) The feedback on the 2018 Free Festive Parking initiative, be noted.
- (iv) It be agreed that a report on proposals for free parking in Perth and Kinross Council car parks for the festive season 2019, be submitted to a future meeting.

**147. ACTIVE TRAVEL STRATEGY – RE-DETERMINATION OF MONCUR ROAD, INCHTURE – FOOTWAY FOR SHARED USE (WARD 1)**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Housing and Environment) (19/87) seeking approval to commence the legal process to re-determine the footway at Moncur Road, Inchture to be shared use for pedestrians and cyclists.

**Resolved:**

The legal process for the promotion of a Redetermination Order under Section 152(2) of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 to allow the footway identified in Appendix 1 to Report 19/87 to be converted to shared use for pedestrians and cyclists, be approved.

**148. PROPOSED 30MPH & 40MPH SPEED LIMITS AT REDGORTON (B8063, B9099, U42 & MAIN STREET) (WARD 5)**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Housing and Environment) (19/88) detailing a proposal to introduce 30mph and 40mph speed limits at Redgorton (B8063, B9099, U42 and Main Street) and (2) recommending the start of varying the Traffic Regulation Order for the 30mph and 40mph speed limits.

**Resolved:**

The promotion of a variation to the relevant Traffic Regulation Order to allow the start of the process towards the introduction of a 30mph and 40mph speed limit, as described in Appendix 1 to Report 19/88, be approved.

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**149. PROPOSED TAXI TRANK CLEARWAY MURRAY STREET, POMARIUM STREET & SOUTH STREET, PERTH AND WELLMADOW CAR PARK, BLAIRGOWRIE (WARD 12 & 3)**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Housing and Environment) (19/89) (1) outlining the problems experienced at the various taxi ranks across Perth and Kinross; and (2) recommending the creation of a Taxi Rank Clearway Order to allow the existing taxi ranks to be enforced on Murray Street, Pomarium Street & South Street, Perth and Wellmeadow Car Park, Blairgowrie (Wards 12 & 3).

**Resolved:**

The creation of a Traffic Regulation Order to introduce Taxi Rank Clearway restrictions on Murray Street, Pomarium Street & South Street, Perth and Wellmeadow Car Park, Blairgowrie, as described in Appendix 1, 2, 3 and 4 to Report 19/89, be approved.

**150. VALEDICTORY**

The Vice-Convener referred to the retrial of Willie Young, Head of Environmental and Consumer Services. Willie had been an employee of the Council since 1992 and throughout this time had worked with many Councillors and Officers.

Willie thanked the Vice-Convener for her kind words and wished everyone at Committee all the best for the future.

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

COUNCILLORS S DONALDSON AND D ILLINGWORTH LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

**151. SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT WITH PERTH AND KINROSS HERITAGE TRUST**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Environment)(19/82) recommending (1) approval of the Service Level Agreement with Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust for the provision of archaeological and conservation services; and (2) the development of a Memorandum of Understanding as the basis for broader partnership working and collaboration to help secure further investment in the historic environment.

**Resolved:**

- (i) The Service Level Agreement specification for the provision of defined services to be provided by Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust and the Council on the basis of the services set out in Appendix 2 to report , be agreed.

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- (ii) Support for an enhanced service specification if agreed will require additional funding which will be met from the Housing and Environment Revenue Budget, be noted.
- (iii) It be agreed to progress the development of a Memorandum of Understanding as the basis for broader collaboration and investment in the historic environment with Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust and other partners.
- (iv) The Executive Director (Housing and Environment) be requested to bring back the Memorandum of Understanding to Committee in due course.

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