

HOUSING AND HEALTH COMMITTEE

Minute of meeting of the Housing and Health Committee held in the Gannochy Suite, Dewar's Centre, Glover Street, Perth on Wednesday 25 May 2016 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors D Doogan, K Howie, H Anderson, P Barrett, I Campbell, D Cuthbert, J Flynn, G Laing (substituting for Councillor M Williamson), E Maclachlan, D Melloy, W Robertson, H Stewart and G Walker.

In Attendance: Councillor M Roberts; Bill Atkinson, Director (Housing and Social Work); L Brady, L Cameron, M Dow, D Fraser, C Mailer, M McLay, E McMullan, R Pollock, S Rankin, N Robson, A Taylor and S Watson (all Housing and Community Care); C Flynn and H Rheinallt (both Corporate and Democratic Services).

Also in Attendance: L Dewar and C Stewart, Tenants' Representatives.

Apology for Absence: Councillor M Williamson.

Councillor D Doogan, Convener, Presiding.

390. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES/SUBSTITUTES

The Convener welcomed all those present to the meeting. An apology and substitute was noted as above.

391. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

392. MINUTE

The minute of meeting of the Housing and Health Committee of 9 March 2016 (Arts. 211-221) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

393. PERTH AND KINROSS COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP – PERTH AND KINROSS INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD

(i) Minute of meeting of the Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board of 15 January 2016

The minute of meeting of the Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board of 15 January 2015 was submitted and noted.

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(ii) Minute of meeting of the Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board of 26 February 2016

The minute of meeting of the Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board of 26 February 2016 was submitted and noted.

(iii) Minute of meeting of the Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board of 23 March 2016

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(iv) Briefing Paper by Executive Lead Officer

There was submitted and noted a briefing paper by the Depute Chief Executive, HCC (Corporate and Community Development Services) and Chief Operating Officer (16/231), updating the Committee on the recent business and decisions of the Health and Social Care Integration Joint Board following its meeting on 23 March 2016.

394. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY CARE JOINT BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

There was submitted a report by the Director (Housing and Social Work) (16/232), (1) presenting the Committee with the Joint Business Management and Improvement Plan 2016/17 and Annual Performance Report for Housing and Community Care; and (2) setting out the key strategic priorities and improvements.

Resolved:

- (i) The Housing and Community Care Joint Business Management and Improvement Plan 2016/17 and Annual Performance Report 2015/16, pertaining to the Housing and Health Committee's area of responsibility, as detailed in Appendix 1 to Report 16/232, be approved.
- (ii) It be noted that the Housing and Community Care Joint Business Management and Improvement Plan 2016/17 and Annual Performance Report 2015/16 would be submitted to the meetings of the Community Safety Committee on 8 June 2016 and Scrutiny Committee on 15 June 2016.
- (iii) The Director (Housing and Social Work) be requested to submit a report on the effects of improved insulation measures on fuel poverty to a future meeting of the Housing and Health Committee.

395. RENT ARREARS – CASH COLLECTION WITHIN LOCALITIES

There was submitted a report by the Director (Housing and Social Work) (16/233), seeking approval from the Committee for a cash collection pilot introduced in January 2016 to be extended for a further 12 months, in order to continue to collect Council house rents and reduce the current high level of rent arrears.

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Resolved:

- (i) The proposal to extend the cash collection pilot for a further 12 months to May 2017, recognising that this is discrete work focused on collection of Council house rents and not for other services, be approved.
- (ii) The Director (Housing and Social Work) be required to submit an update report to the Housing and Health Committee on the impact of these arrangements in August 2017.

396. PERTH AND KINROSS LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY 2016-2021

There was submitted a report by the Director (Housing and Social Work) (16/234), seeking approval from the Committee for the new Local Housing Strategy for Perth and Kinross which covers the period 2016-2021.

Resolved:

- (i) The Local Housing Strategy 2016-2021, as detailed in Appendix 1 of Report 16/234, be approved.
- (ii) The Director (Housing and Social Work) be required to provide annual updates on progress on the Local Housing Strategy 2016-2021.

397. HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE STRATEGIC COMMISSIONING PLAN

There was submitted a joint report by the Director (Housing and Social Work) and the Depute Chief Executive, HCC (Corporate and Community Development Services) (16/235), asking the Committee to note the establishment of the Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board from 1 April 2016 and the publication of its Strategic Commissioning Plan 2016-2019.

Resolved:

- (i) The publication of the first strategic plan for health and social care which was approved by the Integration Joint Board on 23 March 2016, as detailed in the Appendix to Report 16/235, be noted;
- (ii) The Depute Chief Executive, HCC (Corporate and Community Development Services) and the Director (Housing and Social Work) be required to provide regular updates on progress on the Strategic Commission Plan 2016-2019 to the Housing and Health Committee.

398. UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF HOUSING WITH ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

There was submitted a report by the Director (Housing and Social Work) (16/236), updating the Committee on the implementation of Housing with Additional Support across Perth and Kinross.

Resolved:

- (i) The developments with the implementation of Housing with Additional Support, as detailed in Section 2 of Report 16/236, be noted.
- (ii) It be noted that the developments are an important feature of the integration of health and social care services, supporting people to remain at home and avoiding hospital or care home admissions.

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399. PERTH AND KINROSS DRAFT HEALTH INEQUALITIES STRATEGY 2016

There was submitted a report by the Director (Housing and Social Work) (16/237), (1) summarising the key health inequalities that exist in Perth and Kinross; and (2) identifying a number of current and future initiatives planned to address and reduce these.

Resolved:

- (i) The details and proposals of the draft Health Inequalities Strategy for Perth and Kinross which will be circulated for wider consultation in June, July and August 2016, as detailed in the Appendix to Report 16/237, be noted.
- (ii) The Director (Housing and Social Work) be instructed to update the Housing and Health Committee on the results of the consultation and bring a revised strategy and action plan to a future meeting of the Housing and Health Committee for approval.

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