

LIFELONG LEARNING COMMITTEE SCHOOL ESTATE SUB-COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the School Estate Sub-Committee of the Lifelong Learning Committee held in the Committee Room, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Thursday 30 August 2012 at 11.00am.

Present: Councillors B Band, I Miller, A Munro, C Shiers, G Walker and W Wilson.

In Attendance: T Yule, E Gilruth, G Reeves, C Taylor and H Richardson (all Education and Children's Services); R Thompson (The Environment Service); S Hendry and M Willis (both Chief Executive's Service).

1. APPOINTMENT OF CONVENER

On the nomination of Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Miller, Councillor Band was elected Convener of the School Estate Sub-Committee.

Councillor B Band, Convener, Presiding.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

3. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of the School Estate Sub-Committee of 8 March 2012 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

4. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2012/13 TO 2016/17 – UPDATED BUSINESS CASES

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (12/369) updating on the progress of the Education and Children's Services' capital projects currently in the Capital Programme for 2012/13 to 2016/17.

Resolved:

The updated business cases for projects in the agreed Capital Programme for 2012/13 – 2016/17, as listed in Appendix 1 to Report 12/369, be endorsed.

5. DRAFT SCHOOL ESTATE STRATEGY

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (12/370) seeking approval of the draft School Estate Strategy pending an appraisal of the implications of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 on the strategy.

Resolved:

- (i) The draft School Estate Strategy (2012-2017), attached as Appendix 1 to Report 12/370, be approved.
- (ii) The Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) be remitted to submit the final strategy to this Committee for approval pending any requirements of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005.

6. SCHOOL ESTATE CAPITAL PROGRAMME PROGRESS UPDATE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (12/371) (1) updating the Sub-Committee on progress and proposals for delivering the capital projects approved at the Special Meeting of the Council on 9 February 2012 in the setting of the Capital Programme for 2012/13 to 2016/17; and (2) providing information on the capital process for 2017/18 to 2019/20.

Resolved:

- (i) The decision of Executive Sub-Committee of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee of 11 July 2012 to engage with the East Central Hub (para. 3.3) to facilitate delivery of the capital programme (Report 12/300 refers), be noted.
- (ii) The proposals to deliver the projects for Oakbank Primary School, Crieff Primary School and Alyth Primary School through East Central hubCo, be approved.
- (iii) Progress on the existing programme in relation to primary school upgrades, secondary school upgrades and other projects, be noted.
- (iv) The Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) be remitted to submit capital plans for 2017/18 to 2019/20 to this Committee before the end of January 2013 and to revisit the existing 5 year programme as per requirements by the Head of Finance.
- (v) It be noted that Audit Scotland was undertaking a performance audit entitled "Major Capital Investment in Councils" in 2012, and that Investment In Learning (IIL) and Errol Primary School are among the projects selected.
- (vi) It be noted that the Council had submitted two projects for consideration under Phase 3 of the Scotland's Schools for the Future (para 4.5) for Tulloch Primary School and a new all through school to the north of Perth City.

7. SCHOOL ESTATE CORE FACTS 2012

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (12/372) advising of the 2012 Scottish Government Core Facts survey and reporting on the changes of the School Estate over the last 12 months.

Resolved:

The contents of Report 12/372 be endorsed.

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