

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Environment Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 30 January 2008 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors A Grant, L Caddell, A Cowan, C Gillies, J Law, K Lyall, M Lyle, E Maclachlan (substituting for Councillor D Scott), H McDonald, L Simpson, B Vaughan (substituting for Councillor D Melloy) and A Younger.

In Attendance: J Irons, Executive Director (Environment); J Valentine, K McNamara, (all the Environment Service); A Wilson and V Jones (Chief Executive's Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors M Barnacle, D Melloy and D Scott.

Councillor A Grant, Convener, Presiding.

27. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

28. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Environment Committee of 28 November 2007 (Arts. 729-733) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

29. NORTH PERTH RECYCLING CENTRE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Environment) (08/37), (1) advising of the background behind establishing a North Perth Recycling Centre; and (2) proposing a consultation process, with regard to options for Recycling Centre provision in the North Perth and Bankfoot areas.

Resolved:

- (i) A consultation exercise be undertaken on the options for Recycling Centre services within the North Perth and Bankfoot areas of Perth and Kinross.
- (ii) A further report be submitted to the Environment Committee, with recommendations, following the consultation exercise.

30. ROLL OUT OF NEXT PHASE(S) OF THE NEW KERBSIDE COLLECTION SERVICE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Environment) (08/38) detailing proposals to introduce new kerbside recycling services, following successful bids to the Scottish Government to participate in a national Food Waste trial, and also to the Council's Investment in Improvement fund.

Motion (Councillor A Cowan and H McDonald)

- (i) The introduction of a fortnightly mixed food and garden waste collection, and the introduction of dry mixed recycle (DMR) collection with collection of general waste on alternate weeks, to the geographic areas outlined in Section 3 during Spring 2008, be approved.
- (ii) Defer any further extension of the roll out programme for the fortnightly collection of general waste (green lidded bins) until such time that clear evidence is gathered and presented to the Committee, that this accords with the majority wishes of households involved in recommendation (i).
- (iii) that the Council undertakes an urgent programme to promote the benefits of recycling to all households in Perth and Kinross.
- (iv) that the Council urgently undertakes an extension of community recycling facilities and upgrading of existing facilities to enable Perth and Kinross householders to increase effective recycling.