

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
11 MAY 2011

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Minute of Meeting of Perth and Kinross Council held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 11 May 2011 at 2.00pm.

Present: Provost J Hulbert; Councillors K Baird, B Band, L Caddell, I Campbell, J Coburn, A Cowan, R Ellis, J Flynn, A Gaunt, C Gillies, A Grant, E Grant, T Gray, G Hayton, A Jack, J Kellas, W Lumsden, M Lyle, E Maclachlan, A MacLellan, H McDonald, D Melloy, I Miller, S Miller, P Mulheron, M Roberts, W Robertson, D Scott, C Shiers, L Simpson, A Stewart, H Stewart, B Vaughan, W Wilson and A Younger.

In Attendance: B Malone, Chief Executive; G Taylor, J Symon, I Innes, T Yule, C Flynn, J Jarvie, J Jennings, S MacKenzie and P Frazer (all Chief Executive's Service); D Burke, Executive Director (Housing and Community Care); J Irons, Housing and Community Care; J Fyffe, Executive Director (Education and Children's Services); M Walker, Education and Children's Services; P Marshall, B Renton, R Thomson and J Valentine (all The Environment Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors M Barnacle, P Barrett, K Howie, A Wylie and K Lyll.

Provost Hulbert, Presiding

Prior to the commencement of business:

(i) Europe Prize Flag of Honour

Provost Hulbert announced that Perth had been successful in gaining the Europe Prize Flag of Honour.

(ii) Presentation – Perth Office Accommodation Review

Provost Hulbert reminded members that a presentation on the Perth Office Accommodation Review would take place immediately following this meeting.

THE CONVENER RULED THAT IN HIS OPINION THE FOLLOWING ITEMS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY IN TERMS OF SECTION 50(B)(4)(B) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973.

251. PERTH AND KINROSS LOCAL REVIEW BODY

It was agreed that Councillor M Lyle replace Councillor B Band as Convener of the Perth and Kinross Local Review Body.

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252. DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE – APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CONVENER

It was agreed that Councillor B Band be appointed to the vacant position of Vice-Convener, Development Control Committee.

253. TAYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE BOARD – APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE

It was agreed that Councillor B Band replace Councillor K Lyall on Tayside Fire and Rescue Board with effect from 11 July 2011.

254. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

255. MINUTES

(a) Special Meeting of 17 February 2011

The Minute of the Council Meeting of 17 February 2011 (Arts. 80-88/11) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

(b) Meeting of 23 February 2011

The Minute of the Special Meeting of the Council of 23 February 2011 (Arts. 101-115) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

256. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

Minutes of Committees from 16 February 2011 to 13 April 2011

The decisions recorded in Arts. 148-288, copies of which had been circulated to all members of the Council, were submitted and noted/approved as necessary.

IN TERMS OF STANDING ORDER 19, THE COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO CHANGE THE ORDER OF BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA.

257. 2012 DIAMOND JUBILEE CIVIC HONOURS COMPETITIONS – “PERTH – THE FAIR CITY”

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive (11/205) seeking agreement for the Council's application for city status for Perth, which had been developed in accordance with the entry guidelines for the 2012 Diamond Jubilee civic honours competitions, to be submitted to the competition organisers, the Department for Culture, Media and Sport, by 27 May 2011.

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Resolved:

- (i) To approve the application for city status for Perth in its final draft form.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Provost and Chief Executive to agree any final textual amendments prior to submission to the competition organisers by the closing date of 27 May 2011.

258. DRAFT COMPOSITE CAPITAL BUDGET 2011/12 -2015/16

There was submitted a report by the Head of Finance (11/200) outlining the proposed budget for the Composite Capital Programme for the 5 years 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15 and 2015/16.

A Motion was submitted by Councillors I Miller and G Hayton which was unanimously agreed as follows:

Resolved:

- (i) To approve the 2011/12 Gross Capital Budget of £41,430,000, the 2012/13 Gross Capital Budget of £43,360,000, the 2013/14 Gross Capital Budget of £39,855,000, the 2014/15 Gross Capital Budget of £24,928,000 and the 2015/16 Gross Capital Budget of £28,082,000 as set out at Appendix I and II to Report 11/200, subject to the following adjustments:
- (ii) To approve the allocation of additional resources to the following schemes:

	2011/12 (£'000)	2012/13 (£'000)	2013/14 (£'000)	2014/15 (£'000)	2015/16 (£'000)	Total (£'000)
Almondbank II	0	340	0	0	0	340
Street Lighting - Renewals/Upgrades	95	100	100	40	0	335
Creation of Heather Garden	125	0	0	0	0	125
Built Heritage	0	0	100	100	100	300
Community Environmental Challenge Fund	100	100	100	100	100	500
Unadopted Roads & Footways (Match Funding)	100	100	100	100	100	500
Beechgrove RHE - Upgrades & Improvements	0	0	250	0	0	250
Dalweem RHE - Upgrades & Improvements	0	0	0	250	0	250
	<u>420</u>	<u>640</u>	<u>650</u>	<u>590</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>2,600</u>

- (iii) To approve the reduction in resources for the following schemes:

	2011/12 (£'000)	2012/13 (£'000)	2013/14 (£'000)	2014/15 (£'000)	2015/16 (£'000)	Total (£'000)
Rural Flood Mitigation Schemes	0	0	1,000	1,000	0	2,000
Community Greenspace Sites	350	0	0	0	0	350
Core Path Implementation	100	50	50	50	0	250
	<u>450</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>1,050</u>	<u>1,050</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,600</u>

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- (iv) To approve the accelerated provision of resources from the core programme for the following schemes:

	2011/12 (£'000)	2012/13 (£'000)	2013/14 (£'000)	2014/15 (£'000)	2015/16 (£'000)	Total (£'000)
Crieff Primary School	0	573	3,000	3,000	(6,573)	0
Ratray Community Facilities	100	800	(394)	(506)	0	0
North Forr Salt Storage	0	420	(420)	0	0	0
	<u>100</u>	<u>1,793</u>	<u>2,186</u>	<u>2,494</u>	<u>(6,573)</u>	<u>0</u>

- (v) To approve the accelerated provision of Prudential Borrowing and Ring-Fenced Resources for the following schemes:

	2011/12 (£'000)	2012/13 (£'000)	2013/14 (£'000)	2014/15 (£'000)	2015/16 (£'000)	Total (£'000)
North Muirton Industrial Estate	0	1912	(1,912)	0	0	0
Energy Conservation & Carbon Reduction	0	85	85	85	(255)	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>1,997</u>	<u>(1,827)</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>(255)</u>	<u>0</u>

- (vi) Summary (core programme)

	2011/12 (£'000)	2012/13 (£'000)	2013/14 (£'000)	2014/15 (£'000)	2015/16 (£'000)	Total (£'000)
Additional Borrowing per (2) above	420	640	650	590	300	2,600
Reduction in Borrowing per (3) above	(450)	(50)	(1,050)	(1,050)	0	(2,600)
Re-phasing of expenditure (4) above	100	1,793	2,186	2,494	(6,573)	0
	<u>70</u>	<u>2,383</u>	<u>1,786</u>	<u>2,034</u>	<u>(6,273)</u>	<u>0</u>

- (vii) The resultant increase in Loan Charges of the above proposals will be managed by a Contribution to the Capital Fund from Reserves (Headroom) of £770,000 in 2011/12. Estimated Loan Charges as a result of the above strategy are as follows:

	£
2011/12	1,050
2012/13	44,600
2013/14	177,500
2014/15	290,000
2015/16	<u>257,000</u>
Sub-Total	<u>770,150</u>
2016/17	0 (recurring)

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259. TREASURY ACTIVITY AND COMPLIANCE REPORT

There was submitted a report by the Head of Finance (11/201) (1) providing a summary of the Loans Fund transactions for the quarter ending 31 March 2011 and (2) reporting on compliance with the Council's Treasury Management Policy Statement, Treasury Management Practices, Investment Strategy and the Prudential Indicators for the same period.

Resolved:

- (i) To note the content of Report 11/201 submitted in accordance with the Council's approved Treasury Management Practices.
- (ii) To approve the proposed amendment to the Common Good Permitted Investments, as detailed at paragraph 6.5 of Report 11/201.

260. SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT'S CONSULTATION ON THE FUTURE OF POLICE SERVICES IN SCOTLAND

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director, Housing and Community Care (11/202) (1) outlining the Scottish Government's consultation on the Future of Police Services in Scotland and (2) proposing a response by the Council.

Resolved:

- (i) To note the Scottish Government's consultation on the Future of Police Services in Scotland.
- (ii) To approve the suggested response to the consultation contained in Appendix 1 to Report 11/202.

COUNCILLOR P MULHERON LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

261. SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT'S CONSULTATION ON THE FUTURE OF FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES IN SCOTLAND

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director, Housing and Community Care (11/203) (1) outlining the Scottish Government's consultation on the Future of Fire and Rescue Services in Scotland and (2) proposing a response by the Council.

Resolved:

- (i) To note the Scottish Government's consultation on the Future of Fire and Rescue Services in Scotland.
- (ii) To approve the suggested response to the consultation contained in Appendix 1 to Report 11/203.

262. TAYPLAN – SCOTLAND'S SUSTAINABLE REGION – PROPOSED STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2012-2032

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Environment) (11/204) requesting the Council to ratify the decision of the Joint Committee of the Dundee, Perth, Angus and North Fife Strategic Development Planning Authority

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(TAYplan); and to approve the Proposed TAYplan Strategic Development Plan 2012 – 2032 and its associated documents as a basis for a period of public representation.

Resolved:

- (i) To ratify the decision of the TAYplan Joint Committee to approve: (1) the Proposed Strategic Development Plan Proposed Action Programme; (2) the Equalities and Human Rights and Impact Assessment; and (3) the Habitats Regulations Appraisal.
- (ii) To agree that an update to the TAYplan Environmental Report is not required.
- (iii) To note the Schedule of Comments Received at the Main Issues Report stage and Background Topic Papers.
- (iv) Subject to ratification of the Proposed Plan in its current format by the other three Constituent Authorities, the Council will not submit an Alternative Plan to the Scottish Ministers.

263. VALEDICTORY

Maria Walker, Depute Director, Education and Children's Services

Provost Hulbert referred to the departure of Maria Walker who was leaving to take up the post of Director of Education, Learning and Leisure at Aberdeenshire Council, on behalf of Perth and Kinross Council, thanked her for her considerable contribution not only to this Council but to the predecessor authority, Tayside Regional Council, and wished her well in her new post.

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