

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Environment Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 26 August 2009 at 2.00pm.

Present: Councillors A Grant, K Baird (substituting for M Lyle), I Campbell, A Cowan, R Ellis, C Gillies, G Hayton (substituting for L Caddell), J Law, H McDonald, D Scott, L Simpson and A Younger.

In Attendance: T Cornet, A Deans, T Brydone, G Dailly, D Kent, K McNamara, B Reekie, B Renton and J Valentine (all The Environment Service); P Frazer and A Wilson (Chief Executive's Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillor K Lyall.

Councillor A Grant, Convener, Presiding.

429. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor L Simpson declared an interest in Art. 433, the Waste Batteries and Accumulators Regulations 2009 - Implications for Perth and Kinross Council

430. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Environment Committee of 3 June 2009 (Arts. 275-278) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

431. AIR QUALITY ACTION PLAN

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (09/404) outlining the Council's development, through a cross-Service steering group, of an Air Quality Action Plan in order to meet statutory standards on air quality.

Resolved:

- (i) The draft Air Quality Action Plan be agreed.
- (ii) The submission of the Air Quality Action Plan to the Scottish Ministers for approval be agreed.
- *(iii) That, subject to any amendments from the Scottish Ministers, the Air Quality Action Plan will form Council Policy, be agreed.
- (iv) It be noted that Report 09/404 would be submitted to the Enterprise and Infrastructure Committee on 26 August 2009.

COUNCILLOR L SIMPSON LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

432. THE WASTE BATTERIES AND ACCUMULATORS REGULATIONS 2009 IMPLICATIONS FOR PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (09/410) outlining new regulations covering the collection and disposal of waste batteries, a

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national compliance scheme, and the provision of battery collection points in Council Buildings and at Recycling Centres.

Resolved:

- (i) That the Council join a national compliance scheme, and establish collection facilities for household waste batteries in its buildings and at its Recycling Centres, be agreed in principle.
- (ii) That option 2, as outlined in the proposals section of the report, be agreed.
- (iii) That authority is remitted to the Executive Director (Environment) to alter the arrangements detailed in a) and b) above, if there are subsequent significant amendments to the scheme which would be detrimental to the Council implementing the approved arrangements, be agreed.

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