

## 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 March 2011 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors A Grant, K Baird, I Campbell, B Ellis, C Gillies, T Gray, K Lyall, M Lyle, H McDonald, B Band (substituting for Councillor D Scott), L Simpson and A Younger.

In Attendance: J Valentine, Depute Director (Environment); A Olejnik, and A Clegg (all the Environment Service); C Flynn and P Frazer (both Chief Executive's Service).

Apology for Absence: Councillors L Caddell and D Scott.

Councillor A Grant, Convener, Presiding.

### 181. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

### 182. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Environment Committee of 26 January 2011 (Arts. 10-101) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

### 183. REVIEW OF EXTERNAL CHARGES 2011/12

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (11/141) seeking approval of a 5% increase in external charges with effect from 1 April 2011 for a number of services provided by The Environment Service.

#### **Resolved:**

- (i) A 5% be imposed in external charges with effect 1 April 2011 for the following services provided by The Environment Service:
  - North Inch Golf Course
  - Aberfeldy Caravan Park
  - Non-statutory Regulation Services
  - Games Pitches and Other Facilities (eg Bowling, Tennis, Putting etc)
  - Hanging Baskets
- (ii) Any material increases in income generation be reported to Strategic Policy and Resources Committee during the 2011/12 financial year and to reflect any material recurring increase in the 2012/12 Revenue Budget as appropriate.

**184. ESTABLISHING A NEW HEATHER COLLECTION IN PERTH**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) proposing that the Council establish a new heather collection within Perth.

**Resolved:**

A new Heather Collection garden at the Riverside Park (Bellwood Park/Rodney Gardens) in Perth be developed to become part of a wider garden visitor attraction for the city centre, subject to funding being made available.

~~~~~