

STRATEGIC POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Buildings, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 21 April 2010 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors I Miller, G Hayton, K Baird, B Band (substituting for W Robertson), J Flynn, A Grant, E Grant, J Kellas, A MacLellan, L Simpson (substituting for P Barrett), A Stewart, H Stewart (substituting for M Roberts), B Vaughan and W Wilson.

In Attendance: B Malone, Chief Executive; J Irons, Executive Director (Environment) and Depute Chief Executive; I Innes, J Jarvie, F MacKay, J Somerville J Symon, G Taylor, and T Yule (all Chief Executive's Service); J Fyffe, Executive Director (Education and Children's Services); K Lawrie and M Walker (both Education and Children's Services); R Thomson and J Valentine (both the Environment Service); D Burke, Executive Director (Housing and Community Care); and H Turley (Housing and Community Care).

Apologies: Provost Hulbert and Councillor A Wylie.

Councillor I Miller, Convener, Presiding.

205. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

206. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

(i) Strategic Policy and Resources Committee

The Minute of the Meeting of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee of 10 February 2010 was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

(ii) Appeals Sub-Committee

The following minutes were submitted and noted:

- (a) Minute of Meeting of 26 February 2010 (**Appendix I**)
- (b) Minute of Meeting of 2 March 2010 (**Appendix II**)

(iii) Provost's Sub-Committee

The Minute of the Meeting of the Provost's Sub-Committee of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee of 10 February 2010 was submitted and noted. (**Appendix III**)

(iv) Corporate Health and Safety Consultative Committee

The Minute of the Meeting of the Corporate Health and Safety Consultative Committee of 7 December 2009 was submitted and noted. (*Appendix IV*)

(v) Employees Joint Consultative Committee

The Minute of the Meeting of the Employees Consultative Committee of 26 November 2009 was submitted and noted. (*Appendix V*)

207. REVENUE BUDGET 2009/10 – MONITORING REPORT NO 4 (Art 68)

There was submitted a report by the Head of Finance (10/184) providing an update on (1) progress with the 2009/10 General Fund Revenue Budget based upon the January 2010 ledger; and (2) the projected financial position of the Housing Revenue Account.

Resolved:

- (i) The contents of Report 10/184 be noted.
- (ii) The adjustments to the 2009/10 management revenue budget, detailed in Appendix 1 of Report 10/184 and Sections 2, 3 and 4 of Report 10/184, be approved.
- (iii) The individual Service virements, summarised in Appendices 2 and 3 of Report 10/184, be approved.

COUNCILLOR W WILSON JOINED THE MEETING DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE ABOVE ITEM

208. COMPOSITE CAPITAL BUDGET 2009/14 - MONITORING REPORT NO 4 (Art 69)

There was submitted a report by the Head of Finance (10/185) (1) providing a summary position to date of the Composite Capital Programme for 2009/10 to 2013/14; and (2) seeking approval for adjustments to the Programme.

Resolved:

- (i) The contents of Report 10/185 be noted.
- (ii) The proposed budget and monitoring adjustments to the five year Composite Capital Programme 2009/14, as set out in Sections 3 and 4 of Report 10/185 and summarised in Appendices I and II thereto, be approved.

209. RENEWAL AND REPAIR FUND 2010/11 (Art 308/09)

There was submitted a report by the Head of Finance (10/186) recommending the programme of works to be funded from the Renewal and Repair Fund 2010/11.

Resolved:

- (i) The contents of Report 10/186 be noted.

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- (ii) The proposed programme of works to be funded from the Renewal and Repair Fund in 2010/11, as set out in Section 4 of Report 10/186, be approved.

210. HOUSING INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2009/14 – BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 4 (Art 71)

There was submitted a joint report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) and the Head of Finance (10/187) (1) summarising the position as at 31 January 2010 for the Housing Revenue Account Capital Programme for 2009/10 to 2013/14; and (2) seeking approval for adjustment to the Programme.

Resolved:

- (i) The contents of Report 10/187 and that the net borrowing requirement had decreased by £222,000 in 2009/10 and increased by £275,000 in 2010/11 be noted.
- (ii) The adjustments made to the budgets for 2009/10, set out in Section 4 of Report 10/187 and summarised at Appendices 1 and 2 to Report 10/187, be approved.

211. ICT CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2010/11 TO 2014/15 (Art 88)

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (10/188) providing an update on the details of the proposed corporate ICT capital projects approved by Council on 11 February 2010 in the setting of the Capital Programme for 2010/11 – 2014/15.

Resolved:

- (i) The relevant full business cases for the agreed capital programme for 2010/11, in respect of ICT Capital Projects, as listed in Appendix 1 to Report 10/188, be approved.
- (ii) The projects, as listed in para 5.4 of Report 10/188 as part of the setting of the capital programme for 2014/15, be noted.

212. KINROSS AND KINROSS-SHIRE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

There was submitted a joint report by the Executive Directors (Education and Children's Services), (Environment) and (Housing and Community Care) (10/189) (1) summarising the Kinross and Kinross-shire community engagement exercise; and (2) detailing the lessons learned, the work undertaken to date in response to the engagement exercise and the issues still to be addressed within the community.

Resolved:

- (i) The issues identified in the engagement process to date, as identified within Appendix A to Report 10/189, and the actions undertaken, be noted.
- (ii) The actions identified in Appendix A to be progressed in conjunction with the community and reported back through the appropriate Council Committee if required.

***213. STATUTORY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS 2008/09 - SUMMARY OF
AUDIT SCOTLAND'S COMPARISON OF SCOTTISH COUNCILS**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive (10/190) providing (1) information on how Perth and Kinross Council Statutory Performance Indicator results for 2008/09 compare with other Scottish Councils; (2) explanations for performance and; (3) the future of Statutory Performance Indicators.

Resolved:

- (i) Perth and Kinross Council Statutory Performance Indicator (SPI) results 2008/2009 in comparison with other Scottish Councils and consider the explanations, where provided, for performance, be noted.
- (ii) Report 10/190 be referred to the Scrutiny Committee for its further consideration.

COUNCILLOR L SIMPSON LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

***214. RESPONSE TO THE ACCOUNTS COMMISSION'S 2008 STRATEGIC
PERFORMANCE INDICATORS DIRECTION**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Business Transformation and Improvement (10/191) setting out Perth and Kinross Council's proposed response to the Accounts Commission's 2008 Statutory Performance Indicator (SPI) Direction for implementation at the end of the financial year 2009/10.

Resolved:

- (i) The changes resulting from publication of the 2008 SPI Direction by Audit Scotland be noted.
- (ii) The list of performance indicators for publication by the Council in 2010, as at Appendix 1 of Report 10/191, be approved.
- (iii) The proposal to integrate SPIs with current public performance reporting be approved.
- (iv) The proposal to review the process for collecting all corporate performance data be approved.
- (v) Report 10/191 be referred to the Scrutiny Committee to note the changes resulting from the publication of the 2008 SPI Direction by Audit Scotland.

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