

ENTERPRISE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Enterprise and Infrastructure Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 26 January 2011 at 2.00pm.

Present: Councillors J Kellas, B Band, L Caddell, R Ellis, T Gray, J Flynn, G Hayton (substituting for Councillor A Gaunt), K Howie (substituting for Councillor W Lumsden), M Lyle, M Roberts (substituting for Councillor H McDonald), A Stewart and W Wilson.

In Attendance: J Irons, Executive Director (Environment); J Valentine, Depute Director (Environment); R Bean, D Littlejohn, A Olejnik, A Graham, C Haggart and J McCrone (all The Environment Service); C Flynn and L Brown (both Chief Executive's Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors A Gaunt, A Jack, W Lumsden and H McDonald.

Councillor J Kellas, Convener, Presiding.

37. WINTER MAINTENANCE

Prior to the commencement of business, the Convener, on behalf of the Committee, thanked the employees in the Council's Winter Maintenance Team who had worked extremely hard to ensure that the local road network had remained operational throughout the period of severe weather.

38. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

39. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Enterprise and Infrastructure Committee of 24 November 2010 (Arts. 632-641) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

40. EVENT FUNDING APPLICATION – PERTH FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (11/30) outlining an application for funding received from Perth Festival of the Arts for the 2011 Festival.

Resolved:

- (i) The performance of the Perth Festival of the Arts in 2010 in respect of audience growth and ticket sales, as detailed in Report 11/30, be noted.
- (ii) An award of £23,500 to the 2011 Perth Festival of the Arts be approved in principle, subject to the 2011/2012 budget.

41. MUTHILL CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (11/31) introducing the final draft of the Muthill Conservation Area Appraisal.

Resolved:

The final draft of Muthill Conservation Area Appraisal, as appended to Report 11/30, and the proposed boundary and associated management measures, be approved and progressed onto formal re-designation by notifying Scottish Ministers.

42. REVIEW OF THE ONE-WAY TRAFFIC SYSTEM IN NEWHALL STREET, CROSS STREET AND CHURCH LANE, BANKFOOT

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (11/32) reviewing the operation of the one-way traffic system in Newhall Street, Cross Street and Church Lane, Bankfoot and recommending that the sections of the one-way Traffic Regulation Order relating to Newhall Street and Cross Street be revoked. The report had also advised of the opportunity to make further comments or objections during the formal legal procedure to revoke the Order.

Resolved:

The promotion of a variation to the Traffic Regulation Order for Bankfoot to revoke the one-way traffic restriction on Newhall Street and Cross Street be approved.

43. BEECHES ROAD, BLAIRGOWRIE WAITING RESTRICTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (11/33) outlining the difficulties being experienced by general traffic but particularly by school buses, at the junction of Beeches Road and Perth Road, Blairgowrie and recommending that the No Waiting At Any Time waiting restrictions on Beeches Road should be extended.

Resolved:

The promotion of a variation to the relevant Traffic Regulation Order to extend the No Waiting At Any Time waiting restrictions on Beeches Road, Blairgowrie be approved.

44. VALEDICTORY

The Convener referred to the recent retiral of the former Head of Economic Development, Ken McDonald and of the forthcoming retiral of the Head of Planning, Roland Bean. On behalf of the Committee the Convener thanked both officers for their commitment and support to the work of the Committee and the Council over many years and wished them well in their retirement.

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