

## **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 4 November 2009 at 2.00pm.

Present: Councillors J Kellas, A Gaunt; L Caddell, R Ellis, J Flynn, A Jack, J Law, W Lumsden, M Lyle, H McDonald, A Stewart, W Wilson and A Wylie.

In Attendance: J Irons, Executive Director (Environment); J Valentine, Depute Director (Environment); R Bean, A Clegg, A Graham, C Haggart, J McCrone, B Renton and A Seggie (all The Environment Service); A Wilson and L Brown (both Chief Executive's Service).

Councillor J Kellas, Convener, Presiding.

### **560. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

In terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct, Councillor R Ellis declared a non-financial interest in Art. 563 – Strategic Priorities for Tourism and Area Tourism Partnership Agreements.

### **561. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minute of Meeting of the Enterprise and Infrastructure Committee of 26 August 2009 (Arts. 433-445) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

### **\*562. THE ENVIRONMENT SERVICE SIX MONTHLY BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT PLAN (BMIP) PERFORMANCE EXCEPTION REPORT**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Environment) (09/493) reviewing the performance of The Environment Service against its Business Management and Improvement Plan (BMIP) for the six month period from 1 April to 30 September 2009.

#### **Resolved:**

- (i) The contents of The Environment Service 2009/2012 BMIP Six Monthly Performance Exception Report for 1 April to 30 September 2009, pertaining to the Enterprise and Infrastructure Committee, as detailed in Appendix 1 to Report 09/493, be accepted.
- (ii) It be noted that Report 09/493 had previously been submitted to the Community Safety Committee and the Environment Committee, and would be submitted to the next meeting of the Scrutiny Committee on 2 December 2009.

IN TERMS OF STANDING ORDER 6 COUNCILLOR R ELLIS DECLARED A NON-FINANCIAL INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM.

**563. STRATEGIC PRIORITIES FOR TOURISM AND AREA TOURISM PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (09/494) (1) outlining the national review of Area Tourism Partnerships in Scotland and the current partnership arrangements for Perth and Kinross; and (2) proposing a refreshed approach to industry engagement, partnership working and the strategic priorities to deliver growth in the value of tourism to the local economy.

**Resolved:**

- (i) In light of the national review of Area Tourism Partnerships, a consultation and review of the Perthshire Area Tourism Partnership and the strategic direction for tourism development in Perth and Kinross to effect a step change in tourism performance, be approved.
- (ii) The Depute Director (Environment) be requested to submit a further report to the Enterprise and Infrastructure Committee, in late Spring of 2010, on the outcome of the review, and making recommendations as to the future format and functions of the Perthshire Area Tourism Partnership.

**\*564. PLACEMAKING GUIDE FOR PERTH AND KINROSS**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (09/495) (1) outlining the draft Placemaking Guide for Perth and Kinross which had set out the vision and best practice for managing the Council's existing public spaces, buildings and new development; and (2) recommending that the Guide be finalised and adopted by the Council, subject to approval of additional policy areas as supplementary planning guidance.

**Resolved:**

- (i) The Placemaking Guide for Perth and Kinross which set out the vision and best practice for managing the Council's existing public spaces, buildings and development to ensure that the special character of Perth and Kinross is protected and enhanced, as detailed in Report 09/495, be approved.
- (ii) The inclusion of additional policy areas as supplementary planning guidance, be approved.
- (iii) It be noted that the report had also been considered and approved by the Environment Committee earlier that day.

**565. DEVELOPMENT PLAN SCHEME UPDATE (ART. 167)**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Environment) (09/496), (1) providing an update on the preparation of the Local Development Plan (LDP); and (2) advising of revisions to the timetable for preparation of the Plan, as set out in the Development Plan Scheme.

**Resolved:**

The revised timetable for the preparation of the TAYplan and the subsequent delay to the Local Development Plan be noted and the Executive Director (Environment) be authorised to update the Development Plan Scheme accordingly.

#### **566. PLANNING ENFORCEMENT CHARTER**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Environment) (09/497), (1) advising of the requirement under the terms of the Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 for the Council, as Planning Authority, to prepare a Planning Enforcement Charter; (2) seeking approval for the adoption of a Planning Enforcement Charter for Perth and Kinross; and (3) setting out the priorities for enforcement and the standards the public could expect. Thereafter, the Head of Planning requested that the Committee considered two amendments to Page One of the Charter.

**Resolved:**

- (i) The Planning Enforcement Charter for Perth and Kinross, as required under Section 27 of the Planning etc. (Scotland) Act and appended to Report 09/497 be approved, subject to amendments to Page One of the Charter as follows:-
  - (a) sentence two of paragraph one to read *When work is done without permission or is done not in accordance with that permission, .....*
  - (b) the heading *Policies on Enforcement* be replaced with *Priorities for Enforcement*.
- (ii) The Executive Director (Environment) be requested to submit a further report to the Enterprise and Infrastructure Committee reviewing the planning enforcement duties of the Council, after the Charter had been in operation for one year.

#### **567. FUTURE JOBS FUND UPDATE (ART.435)**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (09/498) advising of the outcome of the bid to the Department for Work and Pensions for the development of a Future Jobs Fund programme on behalf of the Community Planning Partnership.

**Resolved:**

The success of the Future Jobs Fund bid be noted and the implementation of the partnership programme in Perth and Kinross be approved.

#### **568. IMPLICATIONS OF THE DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2009**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (09/499), (1) summarising the contents of the Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009 and outlining the major implications for the Council with regard to the enforcement of disabled persons' parking places; (2) seeking approval to promote and vary Traffic Regulation Orders to comply with the new legislation; and (3) highlighting the staff resource implications and the level of costs which were likely to be incurred from the implementation of the measures required by the legislation.

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL  
ENTERPRISE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE  
4 November 2009

**Resolved:**

- (i) The promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order, the Disabled Street Parking Order, as required by the Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009, be approved.
- (ii) The promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order, the Disabled Off-Street Parking Order, as required by the Act, be approved.
- (iii) The promotion of a variation to all existing Traffic Regulation Orders for waiting restrictions to allow the enforcement of all disabled persons' parking places, as required by the Act, be approved.
- (iv) If required, the funding of the necessary alterations to road markings and signs for disabled persons' parking places from the Parking Account, be approved.
- (v) The staffing resource implications and their impact on future service delivery be noted.

**569. REQUESTS FOR NEW FOOTWAYS – ANNUAL REPORT 2009-2010**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (09/500) seeking approval of, (1) a new priority ranking scoring system which reflected the desire to provide connectivity linkages by means of continuous lengths of footway; and (2) the new priority list for financial years 2009/2010 and 2010/2011.

**Resolved:**

- (i) The revised prioritised list for new footway works, as detailed in Appendix A to report 09/500, be approved.
- (ii) The three top ranked footway requests in the list be constructed in financial year 2009/2010.
- (iii) The next four top ranked footway requests in the list be constructed in financial year 2010/2011, subject to the appropriate funding being in place.
- (iv) In the event of additional funding being made available, the Executive Director, in consultation with the Convener, might revise the priority list in order to utilise the additional funding.
- (v) Land to facilitate the construction of individual footpaths/footways as necessary be formally acquired.

**570. ADDITIONS TO THE LIST OF PUBLIC ROADS**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (09/501) recommending additions to the List of Public roads.

**Resolved:**

The additions to the List of Public roads of the roads detailed in the schedule appended to Report 09/501 be approved.

~~~~~