

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
6 May 2009

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Minute of Meeting of Perth and Kinross Council held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 6 May 2009 at 2.00pm.

Present: Provost Hulbert, Councillors M Barnacle, P Barrett, L Caddell, I Campbell, J Coburn, A Cowan, B Ellis, J Flynn, C Gillies, A Grant, E Grant, G Hayton, K Howie, A Jack, J Kellas, J Law, W Lumsden, K Lyall, M Lyle, E Maclachlan, A MacLellan, H McDonald, D Melloy, I Miller, P Mulheron, M Roberts, W Robertson, D Scott, C Shiers, L Simpson, A Stewart, H Stewart, B Vaughan, A Wylie and A Younger.

In Attendance: B Malone (Chief Executive); J Fyfe, Executive Director (Education and Children's Services); G Stevenson, Executive Director (Corporate Services); David Burke, Executive Director (Housing and Community Care); J Valentine, Depute Director (The Environment Service); J Walker and K MacDonald, (The Environment Service) M Walker (Education and Children's Services), I Innes (Corporate Services); G Taylor, B Renton, C Taylor, F MacKay, P Graham, M Cochlan and M Kay (all Chief Executive's);

Apologies: Councillors K Baird, R Band, A Gaunt, S Miller and W Wilson,

Provost Hulbert, Presiding.

226. ST JOHNSTONE FOOTBALL CLUB – PROMOTION TO SCOTTISH PREMIER LEAGUE

Prior to the commencement of business, Provost Hulbert referred to St Johnstone Football Club's success in winning the Scottish First Division Trophy and their promotion to the Scottish Premier League and, on behalf of the Council, congratulated the Club on their achievement.

227. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct, Councillor Law declared a financial interest in the item on the Perth 800 Programme. (Art. 233)

228. MINUTES

(a) Special Meeting of 12 February 2009

The Minute of the Special Council Meeting of 12 February 2009 (Arts. 73-76) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

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(b) Meeting of 18 February 2009

The Minute of the Council Meeting of 18 February 2009 (Arts. 93-102) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

229. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

Minutes of Committees from 11 February 2009 to 15 April 2009

The decisions recorded in Arts. 69-72, 77-92 and 103-199, copies of which had been circulated to all members of the Council, were submitted and noted/approved as necessary.

COUNCILLOR K LYALL LEFT THE MEETING DURING DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM.

230. SECURING THE FUTURE (Art 97)

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive (09/206) seeking approval of a Strategic Planning and Improvement Framework which incorporates (1) the updated Single Outcome Agreement, which had been agreed with the Scottish Government (2) a revised Draft Corporate Plan and (3) a revised Corporate Improvement Plan. It was noted that the Council was being asked separately to approve Services' individual Business and Improvement Plans which are aligned to the Strategic Planning and Improvement Framework (Art. 231).

The Council heard a presentation from B Malone, Chief Executive and J Valentine, Depute Director of the Environment Service and Chair of the Corporate Management Group, on the linkages between the Agreement and the Plans in delivering the priorities for Perth and Kinross. They also answered members' questions on the following:- confirming that all Community Planning Partners were responsible for achieving the outcomes in the Single Outcome Agreement; the role of Community Councils in the Corporate Improvement Plan; the challenges in achieving targets for affordable housing and the action being taken to address this key priority.

NOTE: In terms of Standing Order 46, Councillor Barnacle requested that the minute state that he reiterated his comments made at Council on 18 February 2009, to the effect that he did not support the level of housing growth proposed and predicated on the latest government projections as contained in the Single Outcome Agreement; it poses serious demographic challenges and he remained opposed to the Council-led priority encompassed therein, which endorses a rate of growth and inherent housing density which he viewed as neither desirable nor sustainable from an environmental perspective.

Resolved

- (i) The Single Outcome Agreement as attached to Report 09/206 be approved.

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- (ii) It be noted that governance arrangements were being developed for Community Planning Partners in their delivery of the Single Outcome Agreement.
- (iii) The draft Corporate Plan as attached to Report 09/206 be approved for consultation, the outcome of which be reported to the Council meeting on 24 June 2009.
- (iv) The Corporate Improvement Plan as attached to Report 09/206 be approved.

231. BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT PLANS 2009-2012

A. (i) Chief Executive's Service

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive (09/200) presenting for approval the Business Management and Improvement Plan for the Chief Executive's Service for the period 2009 – 2012.

Resolved:

The Chief Executive's Business Management and Improvement Plan for the period 2009-2012 as detailed in Report 09/200 be approved.

(ii) Corporate Services

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Corporate Services) (09/201) presenting for approval the Business Management and Improvement Plan for Corporate Services for the period 2009 – 2012.

Resolved:

The Corporate Services Business Management and Improvement Plan for the period 2009-2012 as detailed in Report 09/201 be approved.

(iii) Education and Children's Services

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (09/202) presenting for approval the Business Management and Improvement Plan for Education and Children's Services for the period 2009 – 2012.

Resolved:

- (1) The Education and Children's Services Business Management and Improvement Plan for the period 2009-2012 as detailed in Report 09/202 be approved.
- (2) Consideration be given to the provision of additional information on year to year changes in targets.

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(iv) The Environment Service

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Environment) (09/203) presenting for approval the Business Management and Improvement Plan for the Environment Services for the period 2009 – 2012.

Resolved:

The Environment Services Business Management and Improvement Plan for the period 2009-2012 as detailed in Report 09/203 be approved.

(v) Housing and Community Care

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (09/204) presenting for approval the Business Management and Improvement Plan for Housing and Community Care for the period 2009 – 2012.

Resolved:

The Housing and Community Care Business Management and Improvement Plan for the period 2009-2012 as detailed in Report 09/204 be approved.

B. (i) Future Arrangements for Briefing Elected Members on Business Management Improvement Plans

Resolved:

A schedule of briefing session for elected members on future Business Management Improvement Plans be incorporated into the annual timetable of meetings.

232. AUDIT OF BEST VALUE AND COMMUNITY PLANNING – IMPROVEMENT PLAN PROGRESS UPDATE (Art. 552/08)

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive (09/207) updating the Council on progress made to date on the Audit of Best Value and Community Planning Improvement Plan which had been approved by the Council at its meeting on 1 October 2008.

Resolved:

- (i) The progress report on the Audit of Best Value and Community Planning Improvement Plan as detailed in Appendix 1 to Report 09/207 be noted.
- (ii) It be noted that the progress update had ben forwarded to Henderson Loggie, external auditors, to inform their work in preparing the Priorities and Risk Framework for Audit Scotland.
- (iii) A progress update be submitted for discussion and approval to the next Community Planning Partnership meeting on 8 May 2009 on the actions relevant to partners.

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HAVING DECLARED A FINANCIAL INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM
COUNCILLOR LAW LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

233. PERTH 800 PROGRAMME

There was submitted a report by the Depute Chief Executive (09/208) outlining the context for the Perth 800 project and the approach being taken to the development of the programme of events and activities.

Resolved:

- (i) The strategic approach and direction being taken to the development of the Perth 800 programme be approved.
- (ii) The importance of the involvement of twinning partners in the celebrations be noted, in particular the Mini Olympics being held in August 2010.
- (ii) Further consideration be given to ensuring that there is a permanent filmed record of the programme of events.

234. AMENDMENTS TO SCHEME OF ADMINISTRATION

Resolved:

The following additions be made to the Scheme of Administration.:-

21.1.1 Adult Care

NHS & Community Care Act 1990
Mental Health (Care and Treatment) Scotland Act 2003
The Adult Support and Protection Act 2007

21.1.2 Housing

Crime & Disorder Act (Chapter ii)
Anti-Social Behaviour etc (Scotland) Act 2004
Local Govt. Finance Act 1992
Local Govt. etc. (Scotland) Act 1994
Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000
The Non Domestic Rating (Payment of Interest) (Scotland)
Regulations 1992

21.1.8 Criminal Justice

Bail etc (Scotland) Act 1980 as amended by Criminal Procedure
(Scotland) Act 1995
Prisons (Scotland) Act 1989
Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1993
Management of Offenders (Scotland) Act 2005

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235. APPOINTMENT TO MEMBER/OFFICER WORKING GROUP

(a) Affordable Housing Member/Officer Working Group

Resolved:

It was agreed that Councillor M Roberts be appointed to the Affordable Housing Member/Officer Working Group to replace Councillor A Jack.

236. PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

Resolved:

The change of time of the Property Sub-Committee on 20 May 2009 from 10.00am to 2.00pm be approved.

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