

## GOVERNANCE

### DECISION SHEET

#### FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - THURSDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2025

Please let the Committee Officer know as soon as possible if you do not agree with any action proposed in this decision sheet. These are decisions of the Committee and there is an expectation that action will be taken. If for any reason it is apparent that you will not be able to act on these instructions in full or in part or that there will be a delay, please let the Committee Officer know as it may be necessary to advise the Committee or seek further instructions from the Committee.

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1.1	<u>Urgent Business</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u>		
2.1	<u>Determination of Exempt Business</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u>		
3.1	<u>Declarations of Interest and Transparency Statements</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u>		
4.1	<u>Deputations</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u>		
5.1	<u>Minute of Previous Meeting of 6 August 2025</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u>		

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5.2	<b><u>Minute of the Special Meeting of 31 July 2025</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		
6.1	<b><u>Committee Planner</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		
7.1	<b><u>Notice of Motion by Councillor Macdonald - Frederick Street Car Park - Referred from Council on 1 October 2025</u></b>  That Committee -  Note the Frederick Street Car Park lift has been out of order for two years due to persistent vandalism causing significant damage;  Note that four ground floor standard parking bays were reserved by fitting signage asking drivers to be considerate to people with less mobility as part of the parking pilot;  Note a lift condition survey was completed and unfortunately concluded that repair and recommissioning of the lift is not a viable option, because the survey deemed the lift to be beyond economical repair;  Note quotations have been sought from multiple contractors for a full lift	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		

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	<p>replacement, including options to mitigate risks from vandalism; and that the Capital team have reviewed the replacement lift quotes and repair costs from over the last five years to assess likely lifecycle costs;</p> <p>Note that users of the Aberdeen Health Village, many of whom have physiotherapy needs but are not blue badge owners, are finding it very difficult to access services; and</p> <p>Note that officers intend to include an allocation for the lift replacement in the updated Condition and Suitability Programme, to be considered by the Finance and Resources Committee on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2025, and agree that this should be considered a top priority in the updated programme.</p>			
8.1	<p><b><u>Annual Performance Reports - 2024/25 for all Tier 1 ALEOS: Aberdeen Performing Arts, Aberdeen Sports Village, Bon Accord Care and Sport Aberdeen - CORS/25/222 - Referred from Council on 1 October 2025</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b></p>		
9.1	<p><b><u>Council Financial Performance – Quarter 2, 2025/26 - CORS/25/243</u></b></p> <p>There is an exempt appendix in the Exempt Appendices section below.</p>	<p><b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b></p>		

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9.2	<b><u>Medium Term Financial Strategy for the Council's General Fund, 2025 - CORS/25/239</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		
9.3	<b><u>Condition &amp; Suitability 3 Year Programme - F&amp;C/25/232</u></b>  There is an exempt appendix in the Exempt Appendices section below.	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		
9.4	<b><u>Capital Programme Delivery:Projects Update - CR&amp;E/25/240</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		
9.5	<b><u>Place Based Investment Programme/UK Shared Prosperity Fund - CR&amp;E/25/241</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> <b>Place Based Investment Programme 2025/26</b> (a) Approve an allocation to Aberdeen Hindu Temple Trust of up to £41,041.00 for the Improving Energy Efficiency Project; (b) Approve an allocation to Aberdeen City Council of up to £36,126.46 for the Smart and Clean Street project; (c) Approve an allocation to Aberdeen City Council – Business Support of up to £37,400.00 for the Empty Shops Activation Kit Project; (d) Approve an allocation to Albury Community Sports Hub of up to £60,676.90 for the Refurbishment of Tennis Courts and Replacement of Existing Fencing Project; (e) Approve an allocation to Camphill		

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		<p>Wellbeing Trust of up to £71,500.00 for the Compass Project - Road Resurfacing and Accessible Path (Phase 3 Infrastructure) Project;</p> <p>(f) Approve an allocation to CFINE of up to £65,889.90 for the CFINE Pantry + project;</p> <p>(g) Approve an allocation to Code the City of up to £19,537.00 for The Soap Factory Community Facilities Project;</p> <p>(h) Approve an allocation to Fersands and Fountain SCIO of up to £14,300.00 for the Fersands Youth Zone Renovation Project;</p> <p>(i) Approve an allocation to Aberdeen Association of Social Service (operating as VSA) of up to £34,137.70 for the Fields of Opportunity: Barn Refurbishment &amp; Learning Hub Project;</p> <p>(j) Approve an allocation to Aberdeen Performing Arts of up to £78,750.00 for the Music Hall Energy Saving Encore Project;</p> <p>(k) Approve an allocation to Aberdeen City Council of up to £130,641.04 for the Inchgarth Community Centre Project, pending confirmation of Tranche 2 of the proposed 2025/26 PBIP funding from the Scottish Government;</p> <p>(l) Authorise the Chief Officer – City Development and Regeneration to approve the reallocation of funding within previously approved projects</p>		

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		<p>should any underspends be reported, following consultation with the Convener and Vice Convener of Finance and Resources Committee;</p> <p>(m) Authorise the Chief Officer – City Development and Regeneration to approve new projects up to a value of £30,000 should any underspends be reported, following consultation with the Chief Officer – Finance, Chief Officer – Commercial and Procurement Services and Convener of Finance and Resources Committee.</p> <p><b>UK Shared Prosperity Fund 2025/26 - Communities and Place</b></p> <p>(n) Note that the Station House Media Unit: Phase 2 Extension Project is now no longer viable to be complete by March 31st 2026; and consequently</p> <p>(o) Approve the reallocation of up to £110,000 from Station House Media Unit's Phase 2 Extension Project to Station House Media Unit's Phase 1 Redevelopment Project.</p>		
10.1	<b><u>Performance Management Framework Report - CORS/25/225</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		
10.2	<b><u>Annual Procurement Report 2024-25 - CORS/25/237</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		
11.1	<b><u>Tall Ships Aberdeen 2025 Evaluation -</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		

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	<b><u>CR&amp;E/25/245</u></b>	<p>(a) Notes that a designed evaluation document will be circulated in the new year with full budgets included in the year end budget pack;</p> <p>(b) Instructs the Chief Officer – City Development and Regeneration to engage with cultural and heritage partners to develop Festival of the Sea 2026, in order to build upon the legacy of Tall Ships and by allocating monies from the Coastal Communities Fund and seeking further grants and private sponsorship to support; and</p> <p>(c) Instructs the Chief Officer – City Development and Regeneration to work with regional youth sail training partners to ensure opportunities for young people from Aberdeen to take part in the Tall Ships Races 2026 on a fully-funded basis; and to seek grants and sponsorship to widen this programme as far as possible. <b>AND</b></p> <p>(1) Instructs the Chief Officer – City Development and Regeneration, in consultation with Port of Aberdeen and Sail Training International, to take the necessary steps to bid to host the Tall Ships Races in Aberdeen as early as 2030; and</p> <p>(2) Instructs the Chief Officer – Finance to include an additional £30,000 in the General Fund Revenue budget from 2026/27 onwards to continue to build upon the legacy and story established by The Tall Ships Races Aberdeen</p>		

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		2025, to provisionally cover costs of 10 Sail Trainees participating in the Tall Ships Races each year moving forward.		
11.2	<b><u>World Rally Championship Bid - CR&amp;E/25/252</u></b>  There is an exempt appendix in the Exempt Appendices section below.	<b>The Committee resolved:</b> (1) Notes the support for the North East of Scotland to host the World Rally Championships (WRC) by regional partners and Tourism Levy development partners, and the associated benefits. Appendix A; (2) Notes the competitive bidding process and timeline partners are following to apply to host this event in the North East of Scotland; (3) Agrees that Aberdeen City Council will contribute to the costs outlined by Motorsport UK for three Councils at £3M over three years, with the intention that Aberdeen City's share will be reimbursed by the Visitor Levy; (4) Instructs the Chief Officer – City Development & Regeneration to enter a Memorandum of Understanding with Motorsport UK, Appendix B, which will allow Motorsport UK to submit an application to host the World Rally Championships in Aberdeen City Boundaries; and (5) Should the bid be successful or otherwise, instruct Chief Officer – City Development & Regeneration to provide an update on planning proposals and council governance at the first meeting of the Finance and		



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		Resources Committee following the outcome of that bid.		
11.3	<u>Silver City Heritage and Place Programme - CR&amp;E/25/235</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u>		
11.4	<u>Aberdeen eBike Hire Scheme - CR&amp;E/25/238</u>  There is an exempt appendix in the Exempt Appendices section below.	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> This report was withdrawn by officers to obtain further information and would be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee.		
12.1	<u>Northfield Area Asset Review - Strategic Outline Business Case - F&amp;C/25/233</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (a) Approves the Strategic Outline Case included at Appendix A of this report; and (b) Notes the decision of the Education and Children's Services Committee on 16 September 2025, to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instruct the Chief Officer – Corporate Landlord to develop an Outline Business Case, to present detailed options and costings for the creation of new community campus facilities to serve the Northfield Area, which would support the delivery of the Family Support Model in Northfield, allow for the reduction of excess school capacity, and provide opportunities for the consolidation of existing Council buildings in Northfield; and</li> <li>Instruct the Chief Officer –</li> </ul>		

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		Corporate Landlord to submit the completed Outline Business Case for approval to the budget setting process for 2026/27.		
13.1	<b><u>Work Plan and Business Cases - CORS/25/234</u></b>  There are exempt appendices in the Exempt Appendices section below.	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> (a) reviews the Corporate Services, Families and Communities, City Regeneration & Environment and Cross Function work plans as detailed in the appendices; (b) approves the procurement business cases (Appendix 5 – 11), including the total estimated expenditure for each of the proposed contracts; and (c) notes the content of Appendix 3 – 3.10 Memo Approvals and Appendix 4 – 4.1.3 Technical Exemption Approvals.		
14.1	<b><u>Aberdeen City H2 Programme - CR&amp;E/25/244</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> (a) Note progress to date in delivering the Aberdeen City Region Hydrogen Strategy and Action Plan 2015-2025 as detailed in Appendix A; (b) Notes the success of the H2 Valley Th2istle bid that has now progressed to the grant agreement stage with the Clean Hydrogen Partnership for a €9m grant that is expected to leverage total regional spend of €22m; (c) Delegates authority to the Chief Officer – City Development and Regeneration to sign documentation relating to accepting and delivering this grant funding, including		

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		<p>Consortium Agreement with all other Partners and any other associated legal agreements as required for delivery of the project provided that terms and conditions have been approved by Chief Officer - Finance and Chief Officer - Commercial and Procurement Services;</p> <p>(d) Notes the success in receiving £60,000 grant funding from Transport Scotland through the Heavy Duty Vehicle Skills Challenge Fund that will progress Aberdeen City Council hydrogen technician training for Fleet colleagues;</p> <p>(e) Delegates authority to Chief Officer – City Development and Regeneration and Chief Officer – Operations, following consultation with the Chief Officer – Commercial and Procurement Services and with the Executive Director of Corporate Services for approval of business cases for procurement, legal agreements and associated spend, subject to available budget, in relation to the operation of the Council owned hydrogen buses; and</p> <p>(f) Delegates authority to the Chief Officer – City Development and Regeneration following consultation with Chief Officer – Commercial and Procurement Services to approve the proposed subsidy to First Bus as detailed in the report.</p>		

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14.2	<b><u>Proposed Sale of Land at Granitehill Road - F&amp;C/25/236</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> (a) Instruct the Chief Officer - Corporate Landlord to accept the proposal in principle; and (b) Instruct the Chief Officer - Governance to conclude missives for the sale of the property, incorporating various qualifications as are necessary to protect the Council's interests, together with any other matters required to complete the transaction.		
15.1	<b><u>Council Financial Performance – Quarter 2, 2025/26 - Exempt Appendix</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		
15.2	<b><u>Condition &amp; Suitability 3 Year Programme - Exempt Appendix</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		
15.3	<b><u>World Rally Championship Bid - Exempt Appendix</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to note the information contained within the exempt appendix.		
15.4	<b><u>Aberdeen eBike Hire Scheme - Exempt Appendix</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> See item 11.4		
15.5	<b><u>Work Plan and Business Cases - Exempt Appendices</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to note the information contained within the exempt appendices.		

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