

LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET

EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE - THURSDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER 2016

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2	<u>Determination of exempt business</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to consider items 7.7,7.8 and 7.9 with the press and public excluded.	N/A	N/A
3.1	<u>Minute of the Meeting of 2 June 2016</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to approve the minute as a correct record.	Democratic Service	Allison Swanson
4.1	<u>Committee Business Statement</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) in relation to item 6 – Countesswells School Zone, Braeside Building, to instruct officers to provide clarity on when a report back can be expected; (ii) to remove item 9 – Sport Aberdeen, Contract Revision and Governance Arrangements; and (iii) to otherwise note the updates provided.	Policy, Performance and Resources Democratic Services	Euan Couperwhite Allison Swanson / Mark Masson (for business statement)
4.2	<u>Motions List</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note the update provided.	Democratic Services	Allison Swanson
6.1	<u>2015/16 Revenue Budget Monitoring</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to instruct officers to circulate to the members of the Committee, the	Education	Euan Couperwhite

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		current fundraising total for Aberdeen Art Gallery; and (ii) to otherwise note the report.	Finance	Brian Dow
6.2	<u>Education and Children's Services Directorate Performance Report</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to instruct officers to look into supplying base figures for Looked After Children; (ii) to instruct officers to provide further detail to Councillor Greig regarding the drop in library visitors; and (iii) to note the E&CS Directorate performance report for the quarterly period to 30 June 2016.	Policy, Performance and Resources Education	Alex Paterson Fiona Clark
7.1	<u>ALEO Governance Update: Aberdeen Sports Village</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note the contents of the minute of the ALEO Governance Hub committee meeting of 10 May 2016 in relation to Aberdeen Sports Village.	Policy, Performance and Resources	Euan Couperwhite
7.2	<u>ALEO Governance Update: Garthdee Alpine Sports Limited</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to request that Garthdee Alpine Sports Limited provides further detail to Councillor Townson regarding his query on the number of the casual contracts and figures for those who were employees and those self-employed; (ii) to instruct the Head of Policy, Performance and Resources to update Councillor Townson on developments regarding the Transfer agreement and Funding Service Provision between Aberdeen City Council and Garthdee Alpine Sports; and (iii) to note the contents of the minute of	Garthdee Alpine Sports Limited Policy, Performance and Resources Policy, Performance	 Euan Couperwhite Euan Couperwhite

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		the ALEO Governance Hub committee meeting of 13 May 2016 in relation to Garthdee Alpine Sports Limited.	and Resources	
7.3	<u>ALEO Governance Update: Sport Aberdeen</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to request that Sport Aberdeen respond to Councillor Stewart to confirm whether Hazlehead Swimming pool was open on 21 August; and (ii) to note the contents of the minute of the ALEO Governance Hub committee meeting of 9 May 2016 in relation to Sport Aberdeen.	Sport Aberdeen Policy, Performance and Resources	Euan Couperwhite
7.4	<u>ALEO Governance Update: Aberdeen Performing Arts</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note the contents of the minute of the ALEO Governance Hub committee meeting of 10 May 2016 in relation to Aberdeen Performing Arts.	Policy, Performance and Resources	Euan Couperwhite
7.5	<u>Torry – Proposed New Primary School with Early Learning and Childcare Facilities and Community Hub</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to note the community engagement that has taken place to date and the analysis of the feedback and comments received from the Community; (ii) to note the option appraisal work and outcome of the preferred site for the new primary school, early learning and childcare facilities and Community Hub; (iii) to delegate officers to commence a programme of formal consultation regarding taking forward the Torry Academy Site as the preferred site for the development of a new Primary	Policy, Performance and Resources Policy, Performance and Resources Policy, Performance and Resources	Andrew Jones / Maria Thies / Jo Mackie Andrew Jones / Maria Thies / Jo Mackie Andrew Jones / Maria Thies / Jo Mackie

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		<p>School, early education and childcare facilities and Community Hub;</p> <p>(iv) to ask officers to feedback the responses to the formal consultation to a future meeting of this Committee; and</p> <p>(v) to otherwise note the contents of the report.</p>	Policy, Performance and Resources	Andrew Jones / Maria Thies / Jo Mackie
7.6	<u>Tillydrone/Old Aberdeen - Primary School Provision</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) regarding the future literature on Catholic schools, to consider if it can be more explicitly communicated that Catholic Schools are open to all;</p> <p>(ii) to note the engagement that has taken place between April and June 2016 with the community and the analysis of the feedback and comments received from the community;</p> <p>(iii) to instruct officers to evaluate the ground conditions at the former St Machar School / former Tillydrone School site and to confirm whether the St Machar Park site or the former St Machar School / former Tillydrone School site represents the best value option on which to locate a new two or three stream school with early learning and childcare facilities;</p> <p>(iv) to delegate the Head of Policy, Performance and Resources to review the educational facilities currently present in Tillydrone along with any proposed (new builds) for both St Peter's school and non-denominational primary provision;</p>	<p>Directorate</p> <p>Policy, Performance and Resources</p> <p>Policy, Performance and Resources</p> <p>Policy, Performance and Resources</p>	<p>Gayle Gorman</p> <p>Andrew Jones / Maria Thies</p> <p>Andrew Jones / Maria Thies</p> <p>Euan Couperwhite</p>

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		<p>(v) to instruct the Head of Policy, Performance and Resources to prepare a written report to the full Council meeting on 6 October 2016 outlining the option appraisal work undertaken and the preferred solution which can then be issued to stakeholders as a formal public consultation proposal;</p> <p>(vi) to note there is presently no early learning provision within the St Peter's Primary School; and</p> <p>(vii) to otherwise note the content of the report.</p>	<p>Policy, Performance and Resources</p> <p>Policy, Performance and Resources</p>	<p>Euan Couperwhite</p> <p>Andrew Jones / Maria Thies</p>
7.7	<u>Transformation of Pupil Support Services</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to approve the recommendations contained within the exempt report.	Inclusion	Lesley Stopani
7.8	<u>Aberdeen International Youth Festival Governance Review</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> <p>(i) to note the outcome of Aberdeen International Youth Festival's governance review including the proposal as detailed in the exempt report;</p> <p>(ii) to request that officers provide bulletin updates to the Education and Children's Services Committee on progress in delivering the new governance model for AIYF; and</p> <p>(iii) that the Council retains the ability to appoint up to seven representatives. The other founding partners, the University of Aberdeen and Local Advisory Committee (Friends of) for AIYF may each appoint three trustees.</p>	<p>Education</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Education</p>	<p>Lesley Thomson</p> <p>Lesley Thomson</p> <p>Lesley Thomson</p>

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7.9	<u>Garthdee Alpine Sports 2014-17 Strategic Business Plan Refresh (2016-17)</u>	<p>The Committee resolved:</p> <p>(i) to instruct internal audit to look into the Strategic Business Plan and submit a report to a future meeting of Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Committee;</p> <p>(ii) to note the contents of the report; and</p> <p>(iii) to approve the 2014-17 Garthdee Alpine Sports Strategic Business Plan Refresh for 2016-17.</p>	<p>Policy, Performance and Resources</p> <p>Policy, Performance and Resources</p>	<p>Euan Couperwhite</p> <p>Alex Paterson</p>
8.1	<u>Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014</u>	<p>The Committee resolved:</p> <p>(i) to note the new statutory duties that apply to Children's Social Work as a result of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 and the associated service and financial implications;</p> <p>(ii) to request a report in November 2016 which will set out how the Residential Children's Homes will deliver on Continuing Care;</p> <p>(iii) to request a report in January 2017 which details the allowance paid to remunerate foster and kinship carers who care for young people in a Continuing Care placement;</p> <p>(iv) to instruct the Director of Education and Children's Services to provide a report to the next Education and Children's Services Committee outlining the projected financial implications of delivering on the new statutory duties of the Act; and</p> <p>(v) to note the Scottish Government's programme for Scotland 2016-17. Notes the Financial Implications as set</p>	<p>Children's Social Work</p> <p>Children's Social Work</p> <p>Children's Social Work</p> <p>Directorate</p> <p>Office of the Chief Executive</p>	<p>Graeme Simpson</p> <p>Graeme Simpson</p> <p>Graeme Simpson</p> <p>Gayle Gorman</p> <p>Angela Scott</p>

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		<p>out in paragraph 3. Instruct the Chief Executive to write to the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills, asking for a guarantee that the funding provided by Scottish Government for the implementation of delivering the new statutory duties imposed by the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 will be sufficient to cover the costs imposed by statute and for the Chief Executive to report back on the response received.</p>		
8.2	<p><u>Scottish Child Abuse Inquiry</u></p> <p>Please note this report replaces the one that was in the first circulation.</p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>to note the Council's approach to establishing readiness for the requirements of the Scottish Child Abuse Inquiry, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a strategic group has been established comprising of internal council services and external stakeholders • information sources are being collated spanning the historical timeframe 1945-2014 • communication and training requirements are being scoped to ensure all our staff and customers are aware of the Inquiry and have access to additional information and/or support if required • sourcing of support services are being collated to ensure a comprehensive package of support can be proactively promoted and accessed by staff and customers at any point in the future • a local helpline and email address will 	<p>Children's Social Work</p> <p>IT and Transformation</p> <p>Finance</p> <p>Legal Services</p> <p>HR</p>	<p>Bernadette Oxley</p> <p>Simon Haston</p> <p>Steve Whyte</p> <p>Fraser Bell</p> <p>Ewan Sutherland</p>

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		be set up to ensure maximum privacy, care and sensitivity are provided for people to make enquiries or seek support.		
8.3	<u>Children's Social Work Commissioning Framework</u>	<p>The Committee resolved:</p> <p>(i) to note the report and approve the decision for Children's Social Work to adopt the Public Social Partnership (PSP) model for the commissioning of external services; and</p> <p>(ii) to approve the implementation of the PSP in three phases; separate tendering processes for the three phases, without the need for a pilot phase, within the timescales outlined in the report; and co-design of the service specifications for each phase, including Children's Social Work, the third sector and the views of current service users and their families.</p>	<p>Children's Social Work</p> <p>Children's Social Work</p>	<p>David Bliss</p> <p>David Bliss</p>
8.4	<u>Fees and Allowances Paid to Foster Carers, Adopters and Associated Services</u>	<p>The Committee resolved:</p> <p>(i) approve with effect from 1 April 2016 a 1% increase in the level of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fostering and Kinship Allowance (5.1) and (5.6) • Payment for Skills fees (5.2) • Adoption Allowance (5.3) • Curator-ad-litem/Reporting Officer fees (5.7) • Supported Lodgings Allowance (5.8) <p>(ii) approve with effect from 1 April 2016 that there be no change to the level of fee charged for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inter-Country Adoptions (5.4) 	<p>Children's Social Work</p> <p>Children's Social Work</p>	<p>Isabel McDonnell</p> <p>Isabel McDonnell</p>

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		(iii) approve with effect from 1 April 2016 that there be no change to the level of fee for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent Chairs of Adoption and Permanence/Fostering Panels (5.5) 	Children's Social Work	Isabel McDonnell
8.5	<u>Joint Inspection of Children's Services - Final Report</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to note the final report on delivering the multi-agency Action Plan; and (ii) to thank Bernadette Oxley and her team.	Children's Social Work	Graeme Simpson
8.6	<u>Reclaiming Social Work: Update</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to support the implementation of Reclaiming Social Work with no substantive changes to the plans originally submitted; and (ii) to thank Bernadette Oxley and Helen Shanks and their respective teams.	Children's Social Work	Graeme Simpson

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