

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

Town House,
ABERDEEN, 2 March 2020

MINUTES OF MEETING OF ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

Sederunt:

Councillor Barney Crockett, Chairperson;
Councillor Jennifer Stewart, the Depute Provost; and

COUNCILLORS

GILLIAN AL-SAMARAI
YVONNE ALLAN
CHRISTIAN ALLARD MEP
ALISON ALPHONSE
PHILIP BELL
MARIE BOULTON
DAVID CAMERON
JOHN COOKE
NEIL COPLAND
WILLIAM CORMIE
SARAH CROSS
STEVEN DELANEY
ALAN DONNELLY
JACQUELINE DUNBAR
LESLEY DUNBAR
SARAH DUNCAN
STEPHEN FLYNN
GORDON GRAHAM
ROSS GRANT
MARTIN GREIG
DELL HENRICKSON
RYAN HOUGHTON

MICHAEL HUTCHISON
CLAIRE IMRIE
FREDDIE JOHN
JENNIFER LAING
DOUGLAS LUMSDEN
SANDRA MACDONALD
NEIL MacGREGOR
AVRIL MacKENZIE
ALEXANDER McLELLAN
CIARÁN McRAE
M. TAUQEER MALIK
JESSICA MENNIE
ALEX NICOLL
AUDREY NICOLL
JAMES NOBLE
JOHN REYNOLDS
PHILIP SELLAR
GORDON TOWNSON
JOHN WHEELER
and
IAN YUILL

Councillor Barney Crockett, in the Chair.

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Council Meeting, Monday, 2 March 2020

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. (A) The Lord Provost advised that he had received a number of letters, from Group Leaders, amongst others, regarding invitations to civic events. The Lord Provost had reviewed the methods for such invitations, and therefore would be widening civic participation involving more burgesses and other civic organisations and invitations to Elected Members would now be issued through Group Leaders. The Lord Provost also advised that Councillor Donnelly would not be attending any civic events during time any procedures were ongoing either legally or through the Standards Commission.
- (B) The Lord Provost congratulated Councillor Flynn on being elected as the the MP for Aberdeen South in December's General Election.

ADMISSION OF BURGESSES

2. The persons undermentioned were admitted into the presence of the Council and passed as Burgesses of Guild in respect of their respective Acts of Admission in the Guild Burgess Book:-

Professor George Boyne, University Principal & Vice Chancellor, Aberdeen
Rona Grimmer, Disaster Management Consultant, Aberdeen
Susan Renee, Photographer, Aberdeen
Adrian Thomson, Business Owner (Retired), Aberdeen
Linda Anne Thomson, Personal Assistant (Retired), Aberdeen
Audrey Wood, Senior Practice Nurse, Aberdeen.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3. The following declarations of interest were intimated at this stage:
 - Councillor Mason MSP declared a general interest by virtue of his position as a Member of the Scottish Parliament for North East Scotland.
 - Councillor Yuill declared an interest in item 9.3 (Proposed Aberdeen Local Development Plan) by virtue of him being a Council appointed member of Robert Gordon's College Board of Governors but did not consider the nature of his interest required him to leave the meeting and therefore chose to remain in the meeting for consideration of the item; and
 - Councillor Jackie Dunbar declared an interest in item 10.1 (Joint Notice of Motion by Councillor Copland and Councillor Lesley Dunbar) by virtue of a family connection to Dennis Law but did not consider that the nature of her interest required her to leave the meeting and therefore chose to remain in the meeting for consideration of the item.

MINUTE OF MEETING OF ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL OF 9 DECEMBER 2019

4. The Council had before it the minute of meeting of Aberdeen City Council of 9 December 2019.

The Council resolved:-

to approve the minute as a correct record.

MINUTE OF THE MEETING OF THE URGENT BUSINESS COMMITTEE OF 19 DECEMBER 2019

5. The Council had before it the minute of meeting of the Urgent Business Committee of 19 December 2019.

The Council resolved:-

- (i) to approve the minute as a correct record; and
- (ii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Governance to provide members, by way of email, with an update on the status of the actions agreed by the urgent Business Committee on 19 December 2019.

BUSINESS PLANNER

6. The Council had before it the business planner as prepared by the Chief Officer - Governance.

The Council resolved:-

- (i) to agree to remove item 15 (Policy that Specifies the Existing Granite Setts and Lock Block Streets – NOM Former Councillor Corall) on the basis that there was to be a service standard relating to setts, rather than a Policy and the proposed service standard was to be considered at item 5.2 of the Council Budget meeting on 3 March 2020; and
- (ii) to otherwise note the business planner.

TREASURY MANAGEMENT POLICY AND STRATEGY - RES/20/043

7. The Council had before it a report by the Director of Resources which outlined the Treasury Management Policy and Strategy for 2020/21 to 2022/23, for approval.

The report recommended:-

that the Council -

- (a) approve the Council's Treasury Management Policy Statement for 2020/21 to 2022/23 as detailed at Appendix 1;
- (b) approve the Council's Borrowing Strategy for 2020/21 to 2022/23 as detailed at Appendix 2;
- (c) approve the Council's Investment Strategy for 2020/21 to 2022/23 as detailed at Appendix 3; and
- (d) approve the Council's Counterparty list as detailed at Appendix 4.

The Council resolved:-

to approve the recommendations as contained in the report.

TEMPORARY LEASE AT TORRY BATTERY - RES/20/058

8. The Council had before it a report by the Director of Resources which advised of an approach by Greyhope Bay Ltd to lease ground within and adjacent to the Torry Battery.

The report recommended:-

that the Council acting in their capacity as trustee of the Lands of Torry (charity number SC021299) to:

1. approve the recommendation to grant a 5 year lease of ground in and adjacent to the Torry Battery to Greyhope Bay Ltd at a proposed peppercorn rent of £1.00 per annum; and
2. instruct the Chief Officer – Governance to conclude the appropriate legal agreements incorporating various qualifications as necessary to protect the Council's and Trust's interests.

The Council resolved:-

- (i) to approve the recommendation as contained in the report; and
- (ii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Corporate Landlord to advise members, by way of email, of the discussions held in respect of the proposal with the University of Aberdeen.

PROPOSED ABERDEEN LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN - PLA/20/032

9. The Council had before it a report by the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning which presented the Proposed Aberdeen Local Development Plan (the Proposed Plan) and Delivery Programme for approval.

The report recommended:-

that the Council –

- (a) approve the Aberdeen Local Development Plan – Proposed Plan and Delivery Programme;
- (b) instruct the Chief Officer of Strategic Place Planning to publish the Proposed Plan for a 12 week period for representations;
- (c) instruct the Chief Officer of Strategic Place Planning to publish the Delivery Programme, and other technical documents which support the Proposed Plan;
- (d) instruct the Chief Officer of Strategic Place Planning to complete the Environmental Report including Habitats Regulations Appraisal and Strategic Environmental Assessment in consultation with Scottish Natural Heritage, and publish and consult on both of them alongside the Proposed Plan;
- (e) instruct the Chief Officer Strategic Place Planning to work with NHS Grampian public health to ensure that the Health in All policy approach was implemented in Aberdeen Planning Guidance and delivered through the development management process;
- (f) instruct the Chief Officer Strategic Place Planning to work with relevant stakeholders to prepare a Child Friendly version of the Plan when adopted; and
- (g) instruct the Chief Officer Strategic Place Planning to correct any drafting errors as might be necessary.

Councillor Boulton moved, seconded by Councillor Jennifer Stewart, the Depute Provost:-

That the Council –

- (i) approves the Aberdeen Local Development Plan and Delivery Programme subject to the following changes as per the appended maps which can be viewed [here](#):
 - a) Remove Berryhill from OP2 Cloverhill and Berryhill and reduce the allocation to 550 houses;
 - b) Rezone Berryhill from Residential to Business and Industry and identify as OP45 Berryhill (for Business and Industrial uses);
 - c) Remove OP114 Milltimber South (60 houses) and re-zone from Mixed Use to Green Belt and Green Space Network;
 - d) Identify B09/16 Craigton as opportunity site OP54 for 10 houses and rezone from Green Belt and Green Space Network to Residential;
 - e) Identify B13/08 Royal Devenick Park as opportunity site OP46 for 150 houses and rezone from Green Belt and Green Space Network to Residential;
 - f) Identify B09/48 Tillyoch as opportunity site OP53 for 250 houses and rezone from Green Belt and Green Space Network to Residential, but retain Green Space Network on the woodland in the south east of the site and rezone a remaining area of Green Belt to the south of the site to Residential; and
 - g) Amend the HMO overprovision policy from a 15% to 12% threshold;
- (ii) instructs the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to make any further consequential changes to the Proposed Plan, Action Programme and other supporting documents as necessary to reflect the above;
- (iii) notes that urgent action, supported by large scale investment such as an Energy Transition Zone, was required if Aberdeen was to meet UK and Scottish government net zero targets by 2045;
- (iv) agrees the proposed Energy Transition Zone was developed as Scotland's Energy Transition Zone and that failure to include this in the Local Development Plan could mean Aberdeen failing to maximise the offshore renewables opportunities the city had as a result of the Aberdeen Harbour Expansion, and losing jobs and status as the Energy Capital of Europe; agrees that the oil and gas industry had a key role to play as part of a sustainable secure and inclusive energy transition and by including the new Energy Transition Zone in the Local Development Plan, the Council, working with industry, would ensure it was supporting diversification and 53% of Scotland's energy jobs (including renewables), or over 35,000 direct jobs, in the city and region and therefore Aberdeen continues to be a lead energy city in a sustainable net zero emission economy;
- (v) supports the comments of the Scottish Minister for Energy Paul Wheelhouse who said "Initiatives like the Energy Transition Zone could play a pivotal role in making that transition possible, by exploring how to develop renewable technologies related to technologies such as offshore wind, carbon capture utilisation and storage and development of hydrogen and derivatives of hydrogen in our energy system as well as increased investment in energy efficiency";
- (vi) notes an Energy Transition Zone was supported by Opportunity North East, Scotland's Minister for Energy Paul Wheelhouse, Aberdeen Harbour Board, Oil and Gas UK, The Oil and Gas Authority, The Oil and Gas Technology Centre, Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult, Scottish Enterprise, Robert Gordon University, University of Aberdeen, and Aberdeen and Grampian Chamber of Commerce;
- (vii) subject to the approval of the revised Committee Terms of Reference by Council later on today's agenda (item 9.4 refers), notes that in line with the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 (Commencement No. 3) Regulations 2019, the two planning applications (181224 – Inchgarth Road and 191771 – Cloverhill) which had been subject to a predetermination hearing would be considered by the Planning Development Management Committee; and

(viii) approves recommendations (b) to (g) as detailed above.

Councillor Boulton in moving her motion provided a rationale for the proposals as detailed above.

Councillor Alex Nicoll moved as an amendment, seconded by Councillor Allard:-

That this Council –

- (1) approves the Aberdeen Local Development Plan and Delivery Programme subject to the following changes:
 - a) Remove Berryhill from OP2 Cloverhill and Berryhill and reduce the allocation to 650 houses;
 - b) Rezone as necessary Berryhill from Residential to Business and Industry and identify as OP45 Berryhill (for Business and Industrial uses);
 - c) Remove OP114 Milltimber South (60 houses) and re-zone from Mixed Use to Green Belt and Green Space Network;
 - d) Identify B09/16 Craigton as opportunity site OP54 for 10 houses and rezone from Green Belt and Green Space Network to Residential;
 - e) Identify B09/48 Tillyoch as opportunity site OP53 for 250 houses and rezone from Green Belt and Green Space Network to Residential, but retain Green Space Network on the woodland in the south east of the site and rezone a remaining area of Green Belt to the south of the site to Residential;
 - f) Amend the HMO overprovision policy from a 15% to 12% threshold;
 - g) the deletion of OP56 St Fitticks Park – Energy Transition Zone and retain as Green Belt and Green Space Network as its inclusion would be detrimental to the Landscape setting of the city and the Open Space Provision within the Local Development Plan; and
 - h) the deletion of OP61 Doonies – Energy Transition Zone and retain as Green Belt and Green Space Network as its inclusion would be detrimental to the Landscape setting of the city and the Open Space Provision within the Local Development Plan;
- (2) instructs the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to make any further consequential changes to the Proposed Plan, Action Programme and other supporting documents as necessary to reflect the above;
- (3) notes that urgent action, supported by large scale investment such as an Energy Transition Zone, was required if Aberdeen was to meet UK and Scottish government net zero targets by 2045;
- (4) supports the comments of the Scottish Minister for Energy Paul Wheelhouse who said “Initiatives like the Energy Transition Zone could play a pivotal role in making that transition possible, by exploring how to develop renewable technologies related to technologies such as offshore wind, carbon capture utilisation and storage and development of hydrogen and derivatives of hydrogen in our energy system as well as increased investment in energy efficiency”;
- (5) notes an Energy Transition Zone was supported by Opportunity North East, Scotland’s Minister for Energy Paul Wheelhouse, Aberdeen Harbour Board, Oil and Gas UK, The Oil and Gas Authority, The Oil and Gas Technology Centre, Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult, Scottish Enterprise, Robert Gordon University, University of Aberdeen, and Aberdeen and Grampian Chamber of Commerce;
- (6) subject to the approval of the revised Committee Terms of Reference by Council later on today’s agenda (item 9.4 refers), notes that in line with the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 (Commencement No.3) Regulations 2019, the two planning applications(181224 – Inchgarth Road and 191771 – Cloverhill) which had been subject to a predetermination hearing would be considered by the Planning Development Management Committee; and
- (7) approves recommendations (b) to (g) as detailed above.

Councillor Nicoll in moving his amendment provided a rationale for the proposals as detailed above.

Councillor Greig moved as a further amendment, seconded by Councillor Delaney:-

That Council -

- (1) approves the Aberdeen Local Development Plan and Delivery Programme subject to the following change:
 - (a) the deletion of OP42 Hotel and equestrian centre at Hazlehead to reduce traffic impacts and protect the amenity of Hazlehead Park and its users;
 - (b) remove OP114 Milltimber South (60 houses) and rezone from Mixed Use to Green Belt and Green Space Network;
 - (c) identify B13/.08 Royal Devenick Park as opportunity site OP46 for 60 houses and rezone from Green Belt and Green Space Network to Residential; and
 - (d) amend the HMO overprovision policy from a 15% to 12% threshold;
- (2) instructs the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to make any further consequential changes to the Proposed Plan, Action Programme and other supporting documents as necessary to reflect the above.
- (3) notes that urgent action, supported by large scale investment such as an Energy Transition Zone, was required if Aberdeen was to meet UK and Scottish government net zero targets by 2045.
- (4) agrees the proposed Energy Transition Zone was developed as Scotland's Energy Transition Zone and that failure to include this in the Local Development Plan could mean Aberdeen failing to maximise the offshore renewables opportunities the city had as a result of the Aberdeen Harbour Expansion, and losing jobs and status as the Energy Capital of Europe;
- (5) agrees that the oil and gas industry had a key role to play as part of a sustainable secure and inclusive energy transition and by including the new Energy Transition Zone in the Local Development Plan, the Council, working with industry, would ensure it was supporting diversification and 53% of Scotland's energy jobs (including renewables), or over 35,000 direct jobs, in the city and region and therefore Aberdeen continues to be a lead energy city in a sustainable net zero emission economy;
- (6) supports the comments of the Scottish Minister for Energy Paul Wheelhouse who said "Initiatives like the Energy Transition Zone could play a pivotal role in making that transition possible, by exploring how to develop renewable technologies related to technologies such as offshore wind, carbon capture utilisation and storage and development of hydrogen and derivatives of hydrogen in our energy system as well as increased investment in energy efficiency";
- (7) notes an Energy Transition Zone was supported by Opportunity North East, Scotland's Minister for Energy Paul Wheelhouse, Aberdeen Harbour Board, Oil and Gas UK, The Oil and Gas Authority, The Oil and Gas Technology Centre, Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult, Scottish Enterprise, Robert Gordon University, University of Aberdeen, and Aberdeen and Grampian Chamber of Commerce; and
- (8) subject to the approval of the revised Committee Terms of Reference by Council later on today's agenda (item 9.4 refers), notes that in line with the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 (Commencement No.3) Regulations 2019, the two planning applications (181224 – Inchgarth Road and 191771 – Cloverhill) which had been subject to a predetermination hearing would be considered by the Planning Development Management Committee; and
- (9) approves recommendations (b) to (g) as detailed above.

Councillor Greig in moving his amendment provided a rationale for the proposals as detailed above.

On a division, there voted:-

For the amendment by Councillor Nicoll (19) - Councillors Al-Samarai, Allard, Alphonse, Cameron, Cooke, Copland, Cormie, Jackie Dunbar, Flynn, Henrickson, Hutchison, MacGregor, McLellan, McRae, Mennie, Alex Nicoll, Audrey Nicoll, Noble and Townson.

For the amendment by Councillor Greig (3) - Councillors Delaney, Greig and Yuill.

Declined to vote (23) - Lord Provost; Depute Provost; and Councillors Allan, Bell, Boulton, Cross, Donnelly, Lesley Dunbar, Duncan, Graham, Grant, Houghton, Imrie, John, Laing, Lumsden, Macdonald, MacKenzie, Malik, Mason MSP, Reynolds, Wheeler and Sellar .

The Council then divided between the motion by Councillor Boulton and the amendment by Councillor Alex Nicoll.

For the motion by Councillor Boulton (23) - Lord Provost; Depute Provost; and Councillors Allan, Bell, Boulton, Cross, Donnelly, Lesley Dunbar, Duncan, Graham, Grant, Houghton, Imrie, John, Laing, Lumsden, Macdonald, MacKenzie, Malik, Mason MSP, Reynolds, Wheeler and Sellar .

For the amendment by Councillor Alex Nicoll (22) - Councillors Al-Samarai, Allard, Alphonse, Cameron, Cooke, Copland, Cormie, Delaney, Jackie Dunbar, Flynn, Greig, Henrickson, Hutchison, MacGregor, McLellan, McRae, Mennie, Alex Nicoll, Audrey Nicoll, Noble, Townson and Yuill.

The Council resolved:-

- (i) to adopt the motion by Councillor Boulton; and
- (ii) instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to advise Members, by way of email, (1) whether a record of traditional gypsy traveller halting sites was held by the Council; (2) whether there was any representation made by the gypsy traveller community; and (3) the number of representation made in relation to OP56 St Fitticks Park and OP61 Doonies – Energy Transition Zone.

In accordance with Standing Order 31.7, Councillors Al-Samarai, Allard, Alphonse, Cameron, Cooke, Copland, Cormie, Delaney, Jackie Dunbar, Flynn, Greig, Henrickson, Hutchison, MacGregor, McLellan, McRae, Mennie, Alex Nicoll, Audrey Nicoll, Noble, Townson and Yuill intimated their dissent at the foregoing decision.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Further to a question from Councillor Allard during the course of discussion of the following item, Councillor Reynolds declared an interest by virtue of his position as a Council appointed member on the North Sea Commission and Vice Chair of that body. Councillor Reynolds did not consider that the nature of his interest required him to leave the meeting.

SCHEME OF GOVERNANCE REVIEW - GOV/20/035

10. The Council had before it a report by the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning which presented the Proposed Aberdeen Local Development Plan (the Proposed Plan) and Delivery Programme for approval.

The report recommended:-

that the Council –

- (a) approves Appendix A, the introduction to the Scheme of Governance, with effect from 1 April 2020;
- (b) approves Appendix B, the revised Committee Terms of Reference, with effect from 1 April 2020;
- (c) approves Appendix C, Powers Delegated to Officers, with effect from 1 April 2020, subject to recommendation (d) below;
- (d) instructs the Chief Officer - Strategic Place Planning to seek approval from the Scottish Ministers to amend the Planning Scheme of Delegation under Section 43A of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended) - which relates to “Local Developments”;
- (e) approves Appendix D, the revised Standing Orders for Council, Committee and Sub Committee Meetings, with effect from 1 April 2020;
- (f) approves Appendix E, the revised Financial Regulations, with effect from 1 April 2020;
- (g) approves Appendix F, the revised Procurement Regulations, with effect from 1 April 2020;
- (h) approves Appendix G, the revised Member Officer Relations Protocol, with effect from 1 April 2020;
- (i) authorises the Chief Officer - Governance, following consultation with the Business Manager, to amend the Scheme of Governance as necessary to take account of the decisions at the Council Budget meeting on 3 March 2020;
- (j) approves the membership number for each committee as proposed at paragraph 5.2; and sets a composition for each committee and appoints members on the basis that names of members shall be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after this meeting and that the Chief Officer - Governance be authorised to finalise membership of committees where required;
- (k) appoints a Convener and Vice Convener to the committees listed in paragraph 5.2, as appropriate;
- (l) makes appointments to the following positions:-
 - i. Lord Provost;
 - ii. Depute Provost;
 - iii. Leader or Co-Leaders of the Council;
 - iv. Depute Leader of Council (if applicable);
 - v. Business Manager; and
 - vi. Depute Business Manager;
- (m) approves the remuneration of the Lord Provost and one post of Council Leader and the allocation, and amount in each case, of senior councillor allowances, on the basis of the guidance contained in paragraphs 7.2 to 7.3 of the report;
- (n) notes that the membership number and composition of the sub committees detailed in Appendix H would be determined by the respective committees;
- (o) approves the membership number for each working group as detailed in Appendix I; sets a composition for each and appoints members on the basis that

- names could be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required;
- (p) agrees to disband the working groups contained at Appendix J;
 - (q) appoints 9 members to the Appointment Panel and agrees the composition of the Panel and appoints members on the basis that names can be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required;
 - (r) sets a composition for each of the joint committees/partnerships as detailed at Appendix K, and appoints members and substitutes (where applicable) on the basis that names could be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required;
 - (s) considers the appointment of members to the various outside bodies listed in Appendix L to the report; sets a composition for each and appoints members on the basis that names could be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required;
 - (t) instructs the Chief Officer - Governance to carry out a further review of outside bodies ahead of the local government elections in elections in 2022 and thereafter report back to Full Council with any proposals as required; and
 - (u) notes the resignation of Councillor Donnelly from the Licensing Board and elects a member to fill the vacancy on the Licensing Board.

Councillor Lumsden moved, seconded by Councillor Boulton:-

That the Council –

- (i) notes Aberdeen City Council had been named as a finalist in the annual LGC Awards with Aberdeen being the only Scottish authority to have been shortlisted; and agrees that this recognition by the LGC Awards judging panel was a reward for the efforts of the thousands of Aberdeen City Council staff who were at the heart of everything we do and therefor;
- (ii) approves recommendations (a) to (d), (f), (i), (n), (p) and (u) as detailed above;
- (iii) approves the revised Standing Orders for Council, Committee and Sub Committee Meetings as contained [here](#) with immediate effect;
- (iv) approves the revised Procurement Regulations as contained [here](#) with effect from 1 April 2020;
- (v) approves the revised Member Officer Relations Protocol, with effect from 1 April 2020 subject to the deletion of 4.1.3D;
- (vi) approves the membership number and composition of each committee as detailed in the table below; and appoints members on the basis that names of members would be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after this meeting and that the Chief Officer - Governance be authorised to finalise membership of committees where required;

Committee	Conservative	Aberdeen Labour	Independent Alliance	SNP	Liberal Democrats	Independent	Total
Audit, Risk and Scrutiny	2	2	1	3	1	0	9
Capital Programme	2	2	1	3	1	0	9
City Growth and Resources	2	2	1	3	1	0	9
Education Operational Delivery	3	3	1	5	1	0	13
Licensing	2	2	1	3	1	0	9
Operational Delivery	3	3	1	5	1	0	13
Pensions	2	2	1	3	1	0	9
Planning Development Management	1	2	2	3	1	0	9
Public Protection	2	2	1	3	1	0	9
Staff Governance	1	3	1	3	1	0	9
Strategic Commissioning	3	2	0	3	1	0	9
Urgent Business	2	2	1	3	1	0	9
Total	25	27	12	40	12	0	116

(vii) approves the status quo (as detailed in the following table) in terms of:

- (a) appointments to Convener and Vice Convener to the committees listed in paragraph 5.2 with the exception that Councillor Alex Nicoll be appointed as Convener of the Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Committee;
- (b) the positions detailed at paragraph 6.1 of the report; and
- (c) the remuneration of the Lord Provost and one post of Council Leader and the allocation, and amount in each case, of senior councillor allowances, on the basis of the guidance contained in paragraphs 7.2 to 7.3 of the report;

Post	Appointee	Remuneration on basis of 1 April 2020
Lord Provost	Councillor Crockett	£31,247
Council Leader and	Councillor Laing	£41,662

Post	Appointee	Remuneration on basis of 1 April 2020
Convener of Strategic Commissioning		
Depute Provost	Councillor Jennifer Stewart	-
Vice Convener, Strategic Commissioning	Councillor John	£23,435
Convener, Operational Delivery	Councillor Wheeler	£31,247
Vice Convener, Operational Delivery and Regeneration spokesperson	Councillor Graham	£23,435
Vice Convener, Operational Delivery and Environmental spokesperson	Councillor Bell	£23,435
Convener, City Growth and Resources	Councillor Lumsden	£31,247
Vice Convener, City Growth and Resources	Councillor Grant	£23,435
Convener, Education Operational Delivery	Councillor Wheeler	-
Vice Convener, Education Operational Delivery	Councillor Malik	£23,435
Convener, Capital Programme and Culture Spokesperson	Councillor Boulton	£31,247
Vice Convener, Capital Programme	Councillor Lumsden	-
NHS/Social Care Integration Joint Board and Social Care Spokesperson	Councillor Duncan	£23,435
Convener, Public Protection	Councillor Jennifer Stewart	£31,247
Vice Convener, Public Protection	Councillor Lesley Dunbar	£23,435
Convener, Staff Governance	Councillor Allan	£31,247
Vice Convener, Staff Governance	Councillor Houghton	-
Mental Health Spokesperson	Councillor Imrie	-
Convener, Planning Development Management	Councillor Boulton	-
Vice Convener, Planning	Councillor Jennifer	-

Post	Appointee	Remuneration on basis of 1 April 2020
Development Management	Stewart	
Convener, Licensing Committee, Economic development spokesperson	Councillor Reynolds	£31,247
Vice Convener, Licensing Committee	Councillor Malik	-
Convener, Appeals Committee	Councillor Allan	-
Convener, Audit, Risk and Scrutiny	Councillor Alex Nicoll	£31,247
Vice Convener, Audit, Risk and Scrutiny	Councillor Yuill	£23,435
Convener, Urgent Business Committee	Councillor Laing	-
Vice Convener, Urgent Business Committee	Councillor Lumsden	-
Convener, Pensions Committee	Councillor Malik	-
Vice Convener, Pensions Committee	Councillor Reynolds	-
Convener, Aberdeen City Region Deal	Councillor Laing	-
Convener, Licensing Board	Councillor Boulton	-
Business Manager	Councillor Houghton	£31,247
Housing and Transport Spokesperson	Councillor Macdonald	-
Depute Business Manager	Councillor Malik	-
Senior Councillor Totals	17¹	£437,456²
Maximum allowed	19	£466,455²

(viii) approves the membership number and composition for each working group as detailed [here](#); and appoints members on the basis that names could be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required;

(ix) appoints 9 members to the Appointment Panel and agrees the composition (of 2 Aberdeen Labour, 2 Conservative, 1 Independent Alliance, 1 Liberal Democrat and 3 SNP) for the Panel and appoints members on the basis that names could

¹ Lord Provost not included as separate provision exists for the Lord Provost as Civic Head in terms of the Regulations

² Lord Provost and Council Leader not included as separate provision exists for these roles in terms of the Regulations

- be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required;
- (x) approves the composition for each of the joint committees/partnerships as detailed [here](#), and appoints members and substitutes (where applicable) on the basis that names could be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required;
 - (xi) approves the appointment of members and compositions in respect of the various outside bodies listed [here](#) and appoints members on the basis that names could be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required;
 - (xii) agrees to withdraw from the East of Scotland European Consortium;
 - (xiii) notes the resignation of Councillor Donnelly from the Licensing Board and elects Councillor Sellar to fill the vacancy on the Licensing Board; and
 - (xiv) agrees to formally establish the Members' Services Working Group with 5 members with the remit of discussing, and identifying solutions, for any operational issues that impact members and a composition of 1 Aberdeen Labour, 1 Conservative, 1 Independent Alliance, 1 Liberal Democrat and 1 SNP.

Councillor Alex Nicoll moved as an amendment, seconded by Councillor Yuill:-

That this Council –

- (1) approves recommendations (a), (c), (d), (g) (n) (p) and (u) as contained in the report;
- (2) approves Appendix B, the revised Committee Terms of Reference, with effect from 1 April 2020, subject to:
 - 1. the disbanding of the Capital Programme Committee with the remit transferring to the City Growth and Resources Committee; and
 - 2. the Chief Officer – Governance further reviewing the remit of the Strategic Commissioning Committee as part of the next annual review of the Scheme of Governance due to be reported to Council in March 2021 and in doing so to identify proposals for the remit to transfer to other committees and therefore enabling the committee to be removed rationalising the committee structure;
- (3) agrees to formally establish the Members' Services Working Group with 5 members with the remit of discussing, and identifying solutions, for any operational issues that impact members and a composition of 1 Aberdeen Labour, 1 Conservative, 1 Independent Alliance, 1 Liberal Democrat and 1 SNP;
- (4) approves the revised Standing Orders for Council, Committee and Sub Committee Meetings, with effect from 1 April 2020, subject to the following amendments:
 - 1. SO12.5 "Prior to a Notice of Motion appearing on an agenda, the Chief Officer – Governance will determine competency";
 - 2. SO12.7 "If the Chief Officer – Governance rules the motion incompetent, it will not appear on the agenda for the meeting";
 - 3. SO13.5 "A report author must consult the local Members of a ward where the report contains proposals which, if implemented, would have an impact on that particular ward which is significantly greater than any general impact on the city as a whole" and deletion of "Significant Local Impact" from the glossary;
 - 4. SO14.1 "Every request for a deputation must be in writing and received by the Clerk at least two working days before the meeting to which it relates. Any documentation that a deputation may wish to circulate to the Committee must be submitted along with the deputation request. Should such documentation not be submitted with the request, it will be for the Committee to determine if the document is circulated";
 - 5. SO14.11 "Competency in respect of Standing Orders 14.3, 14.5 and 14.10 will be determined by the Chief Officer – Governance";

6. SO16.3 “In respect of the following, the Committee will determine, subject to relevant statutory procedures and the Councillors’ Code of Conduct, whether it will hear representations from Members:
 - 16.3.1 quasi-judicial matters;
 - 16.3.2 individual housing allocation decisions; or
 - 16.3.3 reviews to be undertaken by the Community Asset Transfer Review Sub Committee;
 7. Proposed SO29.9 “Any relevant officer will have the opportunity to address the meeting on the competency, relevancy or implications of any motion or amendment”;
 8. Proposed SO29.12 “The Convener, following consultation with the Chief Officer – Governance, will determine whether a motion or amendment is competent and relevant”;
 9. Proposed SO29.13 “A motion or amendment moved but not seconded, or which has been ruled by the Convener, following consultation with the Chief Officer – Governance, to be incompetent will not be put to the vote but will be recorded in the minute”;
 10. Proposed SO29.16 “A Member can make minor alterations to their motion or amendment, with the consent of the Committee”;
 11. Removal of proposed SO29.1 and SO29.2 and the retention of the current SO28.1;
 12. Proposed SO34.1 “Immediately following a vote at Committee or Sub Committee, one third of the membership of the Committee or Sub Committee may refer the matter to the Council, Committee or Sub Committee for a decision”;
- (5) approves the revised Financial Regulations, with effect from 1 April 2020, subject to the following amendment:
1. 5.11.1, paragraph 2 “Insignificant gifts are classified as gifts having a monetary value of £50 or less”;
- (6) approves the revised Member Officer Relations Protocol, with effect from 1 April 2020, subject to the following amendments:
1. remove 4.1.2E; and
 2. amend 4.1.3D to read “we will ensure that representatives of all political groups and independent members are invited to attend when we organise civic or official events, unless otherwise agreed by the Lord Provost and the relevant Director”;
- (7) authorises the Chief Officer – Governance to amend the Scheme of Governance as necessary to take account of the decisions at the Council budget meeting on 3 March 2020;
- (8) approves the membership numbers as proposed in the report, with the exception of the Capital Programme Committee, with compositions on the following basis:
- for a committee of 9, 4 members of the current administration and 5 members of the current opposition; and
 - for a committee of 13, 6 members of the current administration and 7 members of the current opposition,
- with the following total numbers of places for the current administration and current opposition;

		Number of Committee Places
(9) d	Current Administration	48
	Current Opposition	59
	Total	107

delegates authority to the Chief Officer – Governance, following consultation with the current administration and opposition, to finalise the committee places

- allocation per political group and independent member in compliance with current Standing Order 46.9, and appoints members on the basis that names of members shall be provided to the Chief Officer – Governance after this meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership of committees where required;
- (10) recognises that the minority administration as a collective had more councillors than the SNP or Liberal Democrats and invites the minority administration to put forward proposals for appointments and remuneration for all positions detailed in paragraph 5.2 and 6.1 of the report with the exception of the Convener and Vice Convener of the Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Committee who would be Councillors Alex Nicoll and Yuill respectively and the following posts which would be deleted:
 - a. Convener and Vice Convener of the Capital Programme Committee;
 - b. One of the Vice Conveners of the Operational Delivery Committee; and
 - c. Business Manager and Depute Business Manager;
 - (11) delegates authority to the Chief Officer – Governance to amend the Scheme of Governance to reflect the removal of the Business Manager and Depute Business Manager positions;
 - (12) approves the membership number and composition for each working group as detailed in Appendix A to the amendment; and appoints members on the basis that names could be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required;
 - (13) agrees to withdraw from the East of Scotland European Consortium;
 - (14) appoints 9 members to the Appointment Panel and agrees the composition of 4 administration and 5 opposition (4 SNP and 1 Liberal Democrat) for the Panel and appoints members on the basis that names could be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required;
 - (15) approves the composition for each of the joint committees/partnerships as detailed at Appendix B to the amendment, and appoints members and substitutes (where applicable) on the basis that names could be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required;
 - (16) approves the appointment of members and compositions in respect of the various outside bodies listed in Appendix C to the amendment and appoints members on the basis that names could be provided to the Chief Officer - Governance after the meeting and that he be authorised to finalise membership where required; and
 - (17) notes the resignation of Councillor Donnelly from the Licensing Board and elects Councillor Al-Samarai to fill the vacancy on the Licensing Board.

On a division, there voted:-

For the motion by Councillor Lumsden (23) - Lord Provost; Depute Provost; and Councillors Allan, Bell, Boulton, Cross, Donnelly, Lesley Dunbar, Duncan, Graham, Grant, Houghton, Imrie, John, Laing, Lumsden, Macdonald, MacKenzie, Malik, Mason MSP, Reynolds, Sellar and Wheeler .

For the amendment by Councillor Alex Nicoll (22) - Councillors Al-Samarai, Allard, Alphonse, Cameron, Cooke, Copland, Cormie, Delaney, Jackie Dunbar, Flynn, Greig, Henrickson, Hutchison, MacGregor, McLellan, McRae, Mennie, Alex Nicoll, Audrey Nicoll, Noble, Townson and Yuill.

The Council resolved:-

to adopt the motion by Councillor Lumsden.

In accordance with Standing Order 31.7, Councillors Al-Samarai, Allard, Alphonse, Cameron, Cooke, Copland, Cormie, Delaney, Jackie Dunbar, Flynn, Greig, Henrickson,

Hutchison, MacGregor, McLellan, McRae, Mennie, Alex Nicoll, Audrey Nicoll, Noble, Townson and Yuill intimated their dissent at the foregoing decision.

JOINT NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR COPLAND AND COUNCILLOR LESLEY DUNBAR

11. The Council had before it the following notice of motion by Councillors Copland and Lesley Dunbar:-

That Council -

1. notes that Denis Law was born in Aberdeen on 24th February 1940 and was awarded the Freedom of the City of Aberdeen in 2017;
2. notes that Denis Law was the only Scottish Footballer to have won the prestigious FIFA Ballon d'Or award;
3. recognises the outstanding contribution made by the Denis Law Legacy Trust supporting and empowering young people to be confident, capable independent and responsible citizens within their own communities through sport the arts and culture and also recognises the work done by the Trust and thanks to Denis Law himself in being able to attract the Johan Cruyff Foundation to work collaboratively with the council in providing Cruyff Courts in the city - further proof of the standing Denis Law is held in throughout the world;
4. notes that the Denis Law legacy Trust have outlined a Printfield 10 Project (A copy of proposed Printfield 10 Project is attached) which if implemented would celebrate, and recognise, Mr Law's roots and contribution to the city for years to come; and
5. welcomes the Printfield Community Forum working in partnership with the Denis Law Legacy Trust to promote Denis Law's childhood roots at Printfield and instructs the Chief Officer – City Growth to discuss with the Denis Law Legacy Trust the proposed Printfield 10 Project to include public art work and report back, if applicable to the City Growth and Resources Committee for its consideration.

The Council resolved:-

to approve the notice of motion.

NOTICE OF MOTION COUNCILLOR MACDONALD

12. The Council had before it the following notice of motion by Councillor Macdonald:-

That Council -

1. believes everyone should have a safe, secure and affordable home;
2. supports the aims of the Shelter Scotland Charter for Change housing rights campaign "Are you with us?" to demonstrate our support for laws to be strengthened to ensure there is a right to safe, secure and affordable homes for all;
3. instructs the Chief Executive to write to Shelter Scotland expressing the Council's support for the campaign's aims; and
4. instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Scottish Government expressing the Council's support for the campaign's aims and seeking the Scottish Government's support in delivering them by providing sufficient resources to meet current and new legislation.

The Council resolved:-
to approve the notice of motion.

- COUNCILLOR BARNEY CROCKETT, Lord Provost.

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