

GOVERNANCE

COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET

CITY GROWTH AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - TUESDAY, 21 JUNE 2022

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1.1	<u>Notification of Urgent Business</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note that the Convener had agreed to accept an urgent notice of motion by Councillor Houghton onto the agenda in terms of Section 50(4)(b) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.		
2.1	<u>Determination of Exempt Business</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business:- <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 13.2 - Proposed Disposal of Lang Stracht Site• 13.3 - Proposed Disposal of 11/13 Belmont Street• 13.4 - Proposed Renunciation of Bon Accord Indoor Bowling Hall Lease• 13.5 - Proposed Disposal of Site 15 Denmore Road• 14.2 - External Funding - Exempt Appendices		

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14.2 - Roads and Transport Related Budget Programme 2022-2023 - Exempt Appendices • 14.3 - ABZ Works Employability Plan - Exempt Appendix; and (ii) to consider item 13.1 (Extension to Term of New Lease - Request from Inchgarth, Loirston and Old Torry Community Centre Management Associations) in public.		
3.1	<u>Declarations of Interest and Transparency Statements</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note the declarations of interest and transparency statements which will be recorded in the minute.		
4.1	<u>Deputations</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to suspend Standing Order 14.1 to hear the deputations from Mr Paul O'Connor and Mr David Fryer in relation to agenda item 13.1.		
5.1	<u>Minute of Previous Meeting of 3 February 2022 - For Approval</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to approve the minute.	Governance	Mark Masson
6.1	<u>Committee Planner</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to note the reasons for the reporting delay in relation to items 6 (Flood Risk Management Strategies), 11 (City Centre Multi Storey Blocks - Option Appraisal), 12 (Aberdeen Community Wealth Building), 13 (Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub - Site Selection) and	Governance	Mark Masson/ Martyn Orchard

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		<p>22 (Sustainable Drainage System (SUDS) Section 7);</p> <p>(ii) to transfer item 19 (International Trade Plan 2022-2023) to the Council Business Planner;</p> <p>(iii) to note that the Chief Officer - City Growth would discuss item 48 (Impact on Aberdeen of Scottish Government Funding) with the Chief Officer - Finance and report back on the outcome;</p> <p>(iv) with regard to item 53 (External Transportation Links to Aberdeen South Harbour), to request the Chief Officer - Capital to provide a service update on whether the timelines could be shortened in relation to the project following the appointment of consultants; and</p> <p>(v) to otherwise note the content of the Committee Planner.</p>	<p>City Growth</p> <p>Finance</p> <p>Capital</p>	<p>Richard Sweetnam</p> <p>Jonathan Belford</p> <p>John Wilson</p>
7.1	<p><u>Urgent Notice of Motion by Councillor Houghton</u></p> <p>“That the Committee -</p> <p>1. Notes the announcement of the Eurovision Broadcasting Union that the organisation is considering the United Kingdom as the host of Eurovision 2023 should Ukraine be unable to host the competition due to the unacceptable Russian aggression against Ukraine.</p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>to refer the notice of motion to Full Council on 29 June 2022 for consideration.</p>	Governance	Martyn Orchard

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	<p>2. Notes the awarding decision will be made by the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) should Ukraine be unable to host the competition.</p> <p>3. Agrees the Event Complex Aberdeen opened in 2019 is the largest capacity venue in Scotland and is well suited to host the event.</p> <p>4. Notes Aberdeen's success in hosting previous significant cultural events such as the BBC Sports Personality of the Year Awards.</p> <p>5. Notes the significant interest shown by politicians of all political parties in hosting this event in Scotland, agreeing that Aberdeen is without doubt the best place to hold such a European event given Aberdeen remains the Energy Capital of Europe.</p> <p>6. Instructs the Chief Officer - City Growth to engage with all relevant stakeholders including the BBC, UK government, the devolved Scottish Government and others to ensure a bid from Aberdeen is advanced quickly and efficiently should it become clear Ukraine are unable to host the</p>			

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	<p>competition.</p> <p>7. Agrees to allocate £30,000 from contingencies to support a bid from Aberdeen and instruct the Chief Executive to write to both the UK and Scottish Government notifying them of Aberdeen's intention and asking for their support.</p> <p>8. Instructs the Chief Officer - City Growth to bring a report back on progress to the next meeting of this Committee."</p>			
8.1	<u>Referrals from Council, Committees or Sub Committees</u>	No referrals		
9.1	<u>Council Financial Performance - Quarter 4, 2021/22 - RES/22/136</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note the unaudited final outturn position for financial year 2021/22 as detailed in Appendix 1;</p> <p>(ii) to note that the General Fund has recorded an operational surplus of £1.310m for the year 2021/22, which has been added to the earmarked sum set aside for Covid resilience. The uncommitted General Fund reserve remains in line with the approved Reserves Policy;</p> <p>(iii) to note that the Housing Revenue Account has recorded a surplus of</p>	Finance	Lesley Fullerton/ Jonathan Belford

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		<p>£0.500m for the year, in line with budget and increasing the uncommitted working balance for use in future years;</p> <p>(iv) to note that the Common Good has recorded an operating surplus of £1.620m for the year, which is better than the approved use of cash reserves. After investment valuation changes and capital receipts are included cash balances increased by £5.378m and remain in line with recommended levels;</p> <p>(v) to approve the various transfers for 2021/22 between Council Reserves and Earmarked sums for the General Fund, Housing Revenue Account, Common Good and Statutory Funds as of 31 March 2022, as detailed in Appendix 1;</p> <p>(vi) to approve the reprofiling of the 2022/23 - 2025/26 capital programmes to take account of the year end position and that the outcome of this is incorporated into the 2022/23 Quarter 1 reporting;</p> <p>(vii) to note that the unaudited Annual Accounts for 2021/22 will be presented to Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Committee on 30 June 2022, including the Annual Governance Statement and Remuneration Report for the year; and</p> <p>(viii) to record its thanks and gratitude to Council staff involved in ensuring the</p>		

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		<p>potential it has to impact upon the financial resources of the Council;</p> <p>(viii) to note that the Chief Officer - Finance will include an estimate of the financial implications of supply chain volatility in the Quarter 1 financial performance report that will be reported to this Committee on 4 August 2022;</p> <p>(ix) to instruct the Director of Resources to identify, implement or recommend appropriate actions in addition to those already identified in this report, to mitigate the impact of the issues described in this report to ensure a balance budget is maintained for 2022/23;</p> <p>(x) to instruct the Director of Resources to include the issue of ongoing uncertainty re inflation within bid documentation and request an initial meeting for any successful bids to discuss how the ongoing inflation risk will be jointly managed between government and the council; and</p> <p>(xi) to note that the Roads Maintenance programme has been reviewed in accordance with the cost pressures and is presented to the committee in another report on this agenda (OPE/22/098).</p>	<p>Finance</p> <p>Resources</p> <p>Resources</p>	<p>Jonathan Belford</p> <p>Steve Whyte</p> <p>Steve Whyte</p>
9.3	<p><u>External Funding - COM/22/111</u></p> <p>Please Note that there are Exempt Appendices Contained within the Exempt</p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p><u>External Funding Plan</u></p> <p>(i) to approve the funding plan attached</p>	City Growth	Stuart Bews/ Richard Sweetnam

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	Appendices Section of this Agenda Below	<p>at Appendix 1;</p> <p><u>Place Based Investment Programme</u></p> <p>(ii) to note the funding of £847,000 awarded to Aberdeen City Council by the Scottish Government for the Place Based Investment Programme 22/23;</p> <p>(iii) to allocate up to £38,500 to Aberdeen City Council for the Huberdeen project;</p> <p>(iv) to allocate up to £50,000 to Aberdeen City Council for the Quarry Centre Play Area project;</p> <p>(v) to allocate up to £100,000 to Aberdeen City Council for The Street Design Project - Woodside Gateway;</p> <p>(vi) to award Castlegate Arts £75,000 for the 2022 Access improvements project;</p> <p>(vii) to award up to £69,400 to Donside Village Community SCIO for the Tillydrone Gateway feature Sculpture Trail project;</p> <p>(viii) to award up to £44,132 to Greyhope Bay for the Greyhope Bay Renewable Power project;</p> <p>(ix) to award up to £11,474 to The Scottish Women's Institute for the Hub Upgrades project;</p> <p>(x) to award up to £76,500 to The Kings Community foundation for the Bridge Centre, Torry project;</p> <p>(xi) to award up to £253,981 to Tillydrone Community Development trust SCIO for the Benholms Tower and Gateway</p>		

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		<p>project;</p> <p>(xii) to agree that any remaining funds from Place Based Investment Programme 22/23 be allocated to any other approved project which may require additional resources following consultation with the Convener and Vice Convener of the City Growth and Resources Committee;</p> <p><u>Local Authority Covid Economic Recovery Fund</u></p> <p>(xiii) to note the funding of £2,865,000 awarded to Aberdeen City Council from the Scottish Government for the Local Authority Covid Economic Recovery Fund (LACER);</p> <p>(xiv) to allocate up to £407,589 to Aberdeen City Council for the Hardship Support Programme;</p> <p>(xv) to award up to £20,000 to Aberdeen Foyer for the Cash First Project;</p> <p>(xvi) to award up to £37,212 to Aberdeen Foyer for the Financial Inclusion Services project;</p> <p>(xvii) to award up to £39,212 to Aberdeen Foyer to the Community Food hub project;</p> <p>(xviii) to allocate up to £95,000 to Aberdeen City Council for the Creative Incubator Feasibility study project;</p> <p>(xix) to award up to £1,924,440 to Aberdeen Inspired for the Aberdeen Gift Card project;</p> <p>(xx) to award up to £76,147 to CFine for</p>		

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		<p>the Community Pantry project;</p> <p>(xxi) to award up to £115,400 to ABERNecessities for the Brighter Future project;</p> <p>(xxii) to award up to £150,000 to Gray's School of Art on behalf of Culture Aberdeen for the use of vacant city centre units for cultural activities project;</p> <p><u>UK Shared Prosperity Fund</u></p> <p>(xxiii) to note the indicative allocation of UK Shared Prosperity Funding of £7,156,832 to Aberdeen from the UK Government and instruct the Chief Officer - City Growth to submit the Investment Plan by 1 August 2022 following consultation with the Convener and Vice Convener of the City Growth and Resources Committee and the Co-Leaders of Aberdeen City Council, after which a service update be provided to committee members providing them with the submission; and</p> <p><u>Just Transition Fund</u></p> <p>(xxiv) to note the launch of the Just Transition Fund by the Scottish Government, committing £500m of financing for the North East and Moray over 10 years. Year one allocation of £20m is now open for expressions of interest, with further detail in the External Funding Plan at</p>	City Growth	Richard Sweetnam

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10.1	<p><u>Roads and Transport Related Budget Programme 2022-2023 - OPE/22/098</u></p> <p>Please Note that there are Exempt Appendices Contained within the Exempt Appendices Section of this Agenda Below</p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to approve the schemes listed in the appendices as the detailed proposals for expenditure within each budget heading subject to instructing the Chief Officer - Operations and Protective Services to:-</p> <p>(a) remove the resurfacing schemes outlined in Appendix R at Stronsay Avenue/Northburn Avenue and Angusfield Avenue and move them to the reserve list;</p> <p>(b) replace the above schemes with those previously displaced at Cults Avenue/Kingswells Drive and Holburn Street into this year's programme; and</p> <p>(c) remove the resurfacing scheme outlined in Appendix R at Hazlehead Car Park and carry out minimal repairs to the existing surface up to a maximum value of £10,000;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Officer - Operations and Protective Services to implement the lighting scheme outlined in Appendix T of the report; and</p> <p>(iii) to instruct the Chief Officer - Operations and Protective Services, following consultation with the Head of Commercial and Procurement</p>	Operations and Protective Services	Paul Davies/ Doug Ritchie/ Mark Reilly

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		<p>Growth to develop a procurement framework and dynamic purchasing system for employability services and note that a report for this will go to the Strategic Commissioning Committee;</p> <p>(vi) to approve the issuing of grant awards to third and public sector organisations to reimburse the wages of those participating in paid work experience through the Long Term Unemployed Scheme; and</p> <p>(vii) to delegate authority to the Chief Officer - City Growth, in consultation with the Chief Officer - Finance and Head of Commercial and Procurement, to approve expenditure of grant funding in paragraph 3.14 for the employer recruitment incentive scheme.</p>		(business planner)
11.1	<u>Bus Partnership Fund Update - COM/22/097</u>	<p>The Committee resolved:</p> <p>(i) to note the progress of the delivery of this grant;</p> <p>(ii) to note that the Bus Partnership Fund programme has been enabled through Scottish Government funding and that officers will continue to work with partners to deliver the projects in accordance with the grant conditions;</p> <p>(iii) to note that a full update on the City Centre Masterplan, along with recommendations regarding the Union Street Options Appraisal work will be reported to Full Council on 29 June 2022; and</p>	Strategic Place Planning	Nicola Laird/ David Dunne

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		<p>(iv) to agree that, given this update report does not require any decisions and that any substantive updates or decisions on projects within the BPF will be taken to the relevant Committee as their own report, this update will be taken as a service update to future City Growth and Resources Committees. This does not prevent any request for a committee report on the progress of BPF to be added to the Committee Planner when required.</p>		
11.2	<p><u>Bus Lane Enforcement Programme Update & Future Planning 2022/23 - COM/22/094</u></p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note the progress on the projects funded from the BLE programme up to 2021/22 as detailed in Appendix 1;</p> <p>(ii) to approve the proposed expenditure in relation to the Proposed Bus Lane Enforcement Programme Projects 2022/23, as detailed in Appendix 2;</p> <p>(iii) to agree that the projects identified in Appendix 2 meet the requirements of The Bus Lane Contraventions (Charges, Adjudication and Enforcement) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 in that the sums paid by way of charges under these Regulations are being used to facilitate the achievement of policies in the Local Transport Strategy;</p> <p>(iv) to approve the implementation of the Proposed Bus Lane Enforcement Programme of Projects 2022/23,</p>	Strategic Place Planning	Nicola Laird/ David Dunne

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		<p>including the instruction of procurement procedures as appropriate and as funding becomes available, delegate authority to the Chief Officer - Strategic Place Planning to carry out those procurements; and</p> <p>(v) to agree that from the 2022/23 financial year onwards, any projects not funded by BLE by the end of the financial year will be removed from the provisional programme and be automatically re-scored and re-prioritised alongside new applications for the next financial year.</p>		
11.3	<u>JJR Macleod Memorial Statue - OPE/22/106</u>	<p>The Committee resolved:</p> <p>(i) to approve the preferred location for the JJR Macleod memorial statue as Duthie Park; and</p> <p>(ii) to note that the full costs of designing, fabricating, and installing the statue will be met by the JJR Macleod Memorial Statue Society, and at no cost to the Council.</p>	Operations and Protective Services	Steven Shaw
11.4	<u>A96 Multi-Modal Study - COM/22/095</u>	<p>The Committee resolved:</p> <p>(i) to agree that work to further develop the options outlined in paragraph 3.7 of the report be progressed to a more detailed appraisal and an Outline Business Case;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Officer - Strategic Place Planning to develop the Outline</p>	Strategic Place Planning	Ken Neil/ David Dunne

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		<p>Business Case in accordance with the Transport Scotland governance decisions on the gateways for the Bus Partnership Fund;</p> <p>(iii) to note that the Bus Partnership Fund programme has been enabled through Scottish Government funding and that officers will continue to work with partners to deliver the projects in accordance with the grant conditions; and</p> <p>(iv) to instruct the Chief Officer - Strategic Place Planning to report back to this Committee with the Outline Business Case and next steps by December 2023.</p>	Governance	Mark Masson (business planner)
11.5	<u>Commemorative Plaques - COM/22/101</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to approve the erection of a plaque on the Powis Gateway acknowledging its history; and</p> <p>(ii) to approve the erection of a plaque at 22 Waverley Place commemorating Dr Laura Sandeman (1862-1929), a doctor, social welfare pioneer and politician who lived and worked in Aberdeen from 1903 until her death in 1929.</p>	City Growth	Jenny Brown
12.1	<u>Extension to Term of New Lease - Request from Inchgarth, Loirston and Old Torry Community Centre Management Associations - RES/22/124</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to approve the request from the Inchgarth Community Centre Management Association for a 25-year lease for the Inchgarth</p>	Corporate Landlord	Cate Armstrong/ Stephen Booth

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	<p>Originally identified as an exempt report at 13.1 on the agenda, however the Committee agreed to consider the report in public.</p>	<p>Community Centre;</p> <p>(ii) to approve the request from the Loirston Annexe Community Centre Management Association for a 25-year lease for the Loirston Annexe Community Centre;</p> <p>(iii) to approve the request from the Old Torry Community Centre Management Association for a 30-year lease for the Torry Community Centre;</p> <p>(iv) to instruct the Chief Officer - Corporate Landlord to progress the lease with each of the above noted management committees on the same terms as all other community centre leases, other than the lease length noted above;</p> <p>(v) to agree that, subject to the Council granting Landlord's Consent, the operating costs of any additional building on site or extensions will be dealt with in the same way as those of the original building; and</p> <p>(vi) to thank the deputations for their attendance and contributions.</p>		
13.1	<p><u>Extension to Term of New Lease - Request from Inchgarth, Loirston and Old Torry Community Centre Management Associations - RES/22/124</u></p>	<p>Please see decision at item 12.1</p>		

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13.2	<u>Proposed Disposal of Lang Stracht Site - RES/22/108</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to accept the recommendation as detailed in paragraph 3.7 of the report; and</p> <p>(ii) to 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 interest, together with any other matters as are required to complete the sale.</p>	<p>Corporate Landlord</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>Peter Thatcher</p> <p>Fraser Bell</p>
13.3	<u>Proposed Disposal of 11/13 Belmont Street - RES/22/107</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to approve the recommendation as detailed in paragraph 3.7 of the report; and</p> <p>(ii) to 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 interest, together with any other matters as are required to complete the sale.</p>	<p>Corporate Landlord</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>Peter Thatcher</p> <p>Fraser Bell</p>
13.4	<u>Proposed Renunciation of Bon Accord Indoor Bowling Hall Lease - RES/22/122</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to approve the renunciation of the lease of the Bon Accord Indoor Bowling centre; and</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Officer - Governance to conclude the appropriate legal work incorporating various qualifications as are</p>	<p>Corporate Landlord</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>Peter Thatcher</p> <p>Fraser Bell</p>

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		necessary to protect the Council's interest, together with any other matters as are required to complete the lease renunciation.		
13.5	<u>Proposed Disposal of Site 15 Denmore Road, Aberdeen AB23 8JW - RES/22/121</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to approve the recommendation as detailed in paragraph 3.7 of the report; and</p> <p>(ii) to 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 interest, together with any other matters as are required to complete the sale.</p>	<p>Corporate Landlord</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>Peter Thatcher</p> <p>Fraser Bell</p>
14.1	<u>External Funding - Exempt Appendices</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>to note the information contained within the exempt appendices.</p>	City Growth	Stuart Bews
14.2	<u>Roads and Transport Related Budget Programme 2022-2023 - Exempt Appendices</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>to note the information contained within the exempt appendices.</p>	Operations and Protective Services	Paul Davies
14.3	<u>ABZ Works Employability Plan - Exempt Appendix</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>to note the information contained within the exempt appendix.</p>	City Growth	Angela Taylor

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