

GOVERNANCE

COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET

FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - WEDNESDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 2023

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1.1	<u>Urgent Business</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> there was no urgent business.		
2.1	<u>Determination of Exempt Business</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> 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 item of business:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Item 14.1 - Belmont Cinema Preferred Operator; • Item 14.2 - Ness Landfill – Lease Proposals; • Item 15.1 - District Heating – Network Expansion/Waste Heat Utilisation (City Centre Link) - Exempt Appendix; • Item 15.2 - Condition and Suitability 3 Year Programme - Exempt Appendices; and • Item 15.3 - Work Plan and Business Cases - Exempt Appendices. 		
3.1	<u>Declarations of Interest and</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u>		

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	<u>Transparency Statements</u>	none.		
4.1	<u>Deputations</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> none.		
5.1	<u>Minute of Previous Meeting of 8 August 2023</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to approve the minute.		
6.1	<u>Committee Business Planner</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to note the reasons for deferral in relation to item 4 (Fleet Replacement Programme), item 6 (Outline Business Case: Northfield Primary Schools Excess Capacity), item 7 (Outline Business Case: Oldmachar Primary Schools Excess Capacity), item 9 (Sustainable Drainage System (SUDS) Section 7), item 11 (Complex Care – Full Business Case), item 12 (Commercial Property Auction - Former St Peters Nursery/The Hollies, 43 King’s Gate), item 13 (Financial Settlement from Transport Scotland for the De-trunking of the A92/A96 (Haudagain Improvement), item 14 (School Estate Plan: Hazlehead/Countesswells Secondary School Provision – Outline Business Case), item 15 (Proposals for Investment for Works at Riverbank School to Accommodate the Relocation of St. Peter’s School), item		

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		<p>21 (Bucksburn Swimming Pool – Update September 2023) and item 25 (School Estate Plan: Harlaw Academy Condition & Suitability Improvements – Outline Business Case);</p> <p>(ii) to remove item 10 (UK Shared Prosperity Fund - Lemon Tree) from the planner, noting that a report would be submitted to the Committee if Aberdeen Performing Arts were to seek to re-establish the Lemon Tree Redevelopment project;</p> <p>(iii) that in relation to item 14 (School Estate Plan: Hazlehead/Countesswells Secondary School Provision – Outline Business Case), to instruct the Chief Officer - Corporate Landlord to circulate details to members of the Committee regarding any communications held between officers and LEIP 3 Funding officials, including any with Scottish Government officers; and</p> <p>(iv) to otherwise note the Committee Business Planner.</p>		
7.1	<u>Notices of Motion</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> none.		
8.1	<u>Referrals from Council, Committees and Sub Committees</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> none		
9.1	<u>Capital Programme Delivery: Projects Update - RES/23/284</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) note the status of delivery of the		

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		<p>Section 3 highlighted programmes/projects contained within the approved Capital Programme;</p> <p>(ii) note Council on 23 August 2023 considered the Medium Term Financial Strategy which outlined the continued financial challenges facing the Council over the next 5 years;</p> <p>(iii) approve the reprofiled General Fund Capital funded projects/programmes as shown in Appendix B – Table 2, noting the use of the existing contingency budget in the programme; and</p> <p>(iv) that in relation to Aberdeen Art Gallery, to instruct the Chief Officer – Capital to circulate to members of the Committee details relating to the funding contribution from the UK Government.</p>		
9.2	<p><u>District Heating – Network Expansion / Waste Heat Utilisation (City Centre Link) - COM/23/290</u></p> <p>An exempt appendix is contained within the Exempt Appendices Section on the agenda below.</p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) authorise the Head of Commercial and Procurement to undertake a procurement exercise to commission a feasibility study (to include network design to RIBA stage 3) and outline business case for Phase 1 of this project;</p> <p>(ii) instruct the Head of Commercial and Procurement to explore external funding sources to support the capital delivery of this project and to report the outcomes of recommendations 2.1 and 2.2 to this Committee during Q3 2024; and</p>		

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		(iii) that in relation to the Torry Heat Network, to instruct the Chief Officer – Capital to circulate a Service Update to members of the Committee providing details of the current and planned phased works proposals (and the proposed benefits from these proposals for the Torry community) outlining the public engagement events held and planned within the Torry community to inform residents.		
10.1	<u>Joint Procurement Strategy 2023-2026 - COM/23/266</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) approve the Joint Procurement Strategy 2023-2026 (Appendix A);</p> <p>(ii) note that the Joint Procurement Strategy 2023-2026 will be published once approved by Aberdeenshire Council and The Highland Council; and</p> <p>(iii) to instruct the Head of Commercial and Procurement to circulate to all members of the Committee, an overview of the Supplier Development Programme event held recently.</p>		
10.2	<u>Performance Management Framework Report – Commissioning and Resources - COM/23/285</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>to note the report and the performance information contained within the appendix.</p>		
11.1	<u>No reports in this Section</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u>		
12.1	<u>Condition and Suitability 3 Year</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u>		

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	<p><u>Programme - RES/23/276</u></p> <p>Exempt Appendices are contained within the Exempt Appendices Section of this Agenda below.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) notes the projects completed or legally committed to date in 2023/24 as shown in Appendix A; (ii) notes the currently approved projects and approves the amended estimated budgets for each project as shown in Appendix B; (iii) approves the new Condition & Suitability Programme projects listed in Appendix C for inclusion in the Condition & Suitability Programme and approves the estimated budget for each project and delegates authority to the Chief Officer - Capital, following consultation with the Head of Commercial and Procurement Services, to consider and approve procurement business cases for each of these projects for the purposes of Procurement Regulation 4.1.1.2; and thereafter to procure appropriate works and services, and enter into any contracts necessary for the projects without the need for further approval from any other Committee of the Council; (iv) approves the removal of the projects listed in Appendix D; and (v) delegates authority to the Chief Officer - Corporate Landlord, following consultation with the Capital Board and the Convener and Vice-Convener of this Committee, to amend the C&S Programme should priorities change due to unforeseen circumstances 		

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		during the year, with such changes to be reported retrospectively to the Committee.		
13.1	<p><u>Work Plan and Business Cases - COM/23/279</u></p> <p>Exempt Appendices are contained within the Exempt Appendices Section of this agenda below.</p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to review the workplan as detailed in the Appendices for the Children’s and Family Services, Commissioning, Customer and Resources Functions; (ii) approves the procurement business cases, including the total estimated expenditure for the proposed contract; (iii) notes the content of Appendix 3 - 3.10 Memos (Exemption Urgency); and (iv) notes the content of Appendix 4 – 4.1.3 Forms (Technical Exemption). 		
14.1	<p><u>Belmont Cinema Preferred Operator - COM/23/275</u></p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) note the outcome of the Request for Information (RFI) market testing exercise through Public Contract Scotland; (ii) approve the recommendation for Preferred Operator status based on the proposal at 3.15; (iii) instruct the Head of Commercial and Procurement, following consultation with Chief Officer - Corporate Landlord, to draft a letter of agreement for a period of exclusivity to enable the ‘Preferred Operator’ to undertake fundraising and confirm final costs and feasibility; and (iv) instruct the Chief Officer – City Growth to report back to the first meeting of the Finance and Resources 		

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		Committee in 2024 on progress and any implications for the Council.		
14.2	<u>Ness Landfill – Lease Proposals - RES/23/296</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> note Current progress and instruct the Chief Officer - Corporate Landlord following consultation with the Chief Officer - Governance to enter into a long lease of the site subject to the term within the report and the outcome of technical appraisals.		
15.1	<u>District Heating – Network Expansion / Waste Heat Utilisation (City Centre Link) - Exempt Appendix</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note the information contained within the exempt appendix.		
15.2	<u>Condition and Suitability 3 Year Programme - Exempt Appendices</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note the information contained within the exempt appendices.		
15.3	<u>Work Plan and Business Cases - Exempt Appendices</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note the information contained within the exempt appendices.		

If you require any further information about this decision sheet, please contact Mark Masson, mmasson@aberdeencity.gov.uk or 01224 067556