

**GOVERNANCE
COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET**

NET ZERO, ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE - TUESDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2023

	Item Title	Committee Decision	Cluster Required to take action	Officer to Action
3.1	<u>Declarations of Interest and Transparency Statements</u>	These will be recorded in full in the minute.	Governance	S Dunsmuir
5.1	<u>Minute of Previous Meeting of 29 August 2023 - for approval</u>	<p>(i) to note that the Chief Officer – Operations and Protective Services had advised that he would ask officers to circulate some additional information to Members in relation to winter maintenance (article 10 of the minute refers) and that this information could be shared on the Council website; and</p> <p>(ii) to approve the minute as a correct record.</p>	<p>Operations and Protective Services</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>M Reilly / N Burrows</p> <p>S Dunsmuir</p>
6.1	<u>Committee Business Planner</u>	<p>(i) to agree to remove item 13 (A92 Bridge of Don to Bridge of Dee Multi-Modal Transport Corridor Study) and item 16 (Various Small Scale Traffic Management – Stage 2);</p> <p>(ii) to note the reasons outlined in the planner for any delayed reports;</p> <p>(iii) in relation to item 50 (Aberdeen Cross City Connections - Active Travel Scheme Development), to note that officers would provide some additional detail in respect of the funding to clarify the funding that had been sought in 2023/24 for this project, and circulate this to Members outwith the meeting;</p> <p>(iii) to otherwise note the business planner.</p>	<p>Governance</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p>	<p>S Dunsmuir</p> <p>K Neil / C McArthur</p>
7.1	<u>School Streets - Notice of Motion by Councillor Blake</u>	<p>(i) to agree the importance of active travel on health and mental wellbeing of school pupils</p>		

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		<p>and that this had a positive impact on readiness to learn;</p> <p>(ii) to note that the Sustrans Hands Up Scotland report published in May 2023 showed that the number of primary school pupils in Aberdeen City Council walking to school had declined from 65.1% in 2008 to 53.6% in 2022. 22.2% of pupils are driven to school;</p> <p>(iii) to acknowledge that Parent Councils across the city were regularly raising issues regarding pupil safety caused by inconsiderate parking and driving around drop off and pick up time;</p> <p>(iv) to note that in the October 2022 active travel survey, all primary schools in the city offered Bikeability level 2, bike/scooter parking and encouraged park and stride amongst the school community; and</p> <p>(v) to instruct the Chief Officer - Strategic Place Planning, Chief Officer - Education and the Chief Officer - Operations and Protective Services to bring back a report on options for how to promote and improve active travel routes around schools.</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning / Education / Operations & Protective Services</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>M Reilly / N Burrows / V Ritson / D Dunne / S Milne</p> <p>S Dunsmuir for planner</p>
8.1	<p><u>Low Emission Zone - Time-Limited Exemption for Taxis and Private Hire Cars - Referred from the Licensing Committee of 6 September 2023</u></p>	<p>(i) to note the report; and</p> <p>(ii) to request that the report to be presented to the Licensing Committee in June 2024 on the impacts of Glasgow's time-limited exemption for taxi operators be circulated to the Net Zero, Environment and Transport Committee members for information.</p>	<p>Governance</p>	<p>M Masson / S Dunsmuir</p>

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9.1	<u>Annual Committee Effectiveness Report - COM/23/302</u>	<p>(i) with reference to the mentions in the report about the Net Zero, Environment and Transport Terms of Reference, to note that officers had undertaken to whether there could be clearer links / definitions of business to net zero, environment and transport; and</p> <p>(ii) to otherwise note the report.</p>	Governance	S Dunsmuir
10.1	<u>Climate Change Report 2022-23 - COM/23/329</u>	<p>(i) to approve the Climate Change Report 2022/23, as detailed in Appendix 1 and instruct the Chief Officer - Strategic Place Planning to submit the report prior to the deadline of 30 November 2023 and;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Officer - Strategic Place Planning to publish the Climate Change Report on the Council's website.</p>	Strategic Place Planning	J Jindra
10.2	<u>Policy review and communications plan relating to single-use vapes - COM/23/331</u>	<p>(i) to note that there was an error in the report at section 3.10, and that the percentage of those aged under 18 who were using vapes (single and reusable) was 14%, and not 22% as stated in the report;</p> <p>(ii) to note that Communications officers would liaise with Suez to ascertain if the video of the Altens East fire could be edited to be used on social media channels;</p> <p>(iii) to note the policy implications of a ban on single-use vapes on the Council;</p> <p>(iv) to approve the Communications Plan as described in Appendix 1; and</p> <p>(v) to note the high levels of single-use vape litter around schools and instruct the Chief Officer - Education to design a targeted communication plan around the ban on vaping and the impacts of litter on the school estate.</p>	<p>External Comms</p> <p>Education / Operations and Protective Services</p>	<p>M Yule</p> <p>S Milne / M Reilly</p>

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10.3	<u>Low Emission Zone Penalty Charge Notice - Net Surplus Income Policy - COM/23/327</u>	<p>(i) to approve the policy proposed for the use of any net surplus income arising from Low Emission Zone (LEZ) enforcement; and</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to submit a report to this Committee in Summer 2025 identifying the costs and income associated with operation of the LEZ during the 2024/25 financial year, including a proposed programme for the use of any surplus income.</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>W Hekelaar (R McKean for info)</p> <p>W Hekelaar</p> <p>S Dunsmuir for planner</p>
10.4	<u>Biodiversity Duty Report 2023 - COM/23/333</u>	<p>(i) to note that officers would add the review of the Local Nature Conservation Sites to the business planner for a future meeting;</p> <p>(ii) to note that officers would investigate how Members could be involved in the nature awareness campaign;</p> <p>(iii) to note that officers would circulate information to Members on grassland management to enable them to share information with constituents who contacted them with queries;</p> <p>(iv) to request that when new areas for grassland management were identified, that officers share information with Community Councils and wider communities;</p> <p>(v) to approve the content of the draft report;</p> <p>(vi) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to finalise the report (minor corrections and design format) and submit it to the Scottish Government by 31 December 2023;</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning / Governance</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Operations and Protective Services</p> <p>Operations and Protective Services</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p>	<p>G McLean / S Dunsmuir</p> <p>G McLean</p> <p>S Shaw</p> <p>S Shaw</p> <p>L-E Back / G McLean</p>

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		<p>(vii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to publish the finalised report on the Council’s website and circulate it as a Service Update to this Committee in early 2024;</p> <p>(viii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to develop and lead on two projects in partnership with other public bodies in the city to:</p> <p>a) develop and monitor a suite of cross-organisation biodiversity and related data, i.e. land managed for nature, access to nature, engagement with nature, etc. to inform the Council and City’s strategic direction and required on the ground actions and investments now and in the future; b) develop, implement and monitor a public and wider stakeholder awareness and engagement campaign on the value of nature to the City, its citizens and businesses, the risks to nature locally and the need for local action, what the Council & partners are doing and what others can also do in support of nature recovery across Aberdeen; and c) report back to this Committee within 12 months with the outcomes of these projects; and</p> <p>(ix) to note that at the Beautiful Scotland 2022 Awards, Aberdeen City won the prestigious Rose Bowl, based on horticulture, environmental responsibility and community participation; and to further note the recent Gold Britain in Bloom medal won by Aberdeen City Council.</p> <p>(x) to note that officers would include the Britain in Bloom success in the report prior to</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Governance</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p>	<p>L-E Back / G McLean</p> <p>S Dunsmuir for planner</p> <p>D Dunne / L-E Back / G McLean</p> <p>S Dunsmuir for planner</p> <p>L-E Back / G McLean</p>

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11.1	<u>Aberdeen City Council Travel Plan (2023) - COM/23/326</u>	This report was withdrawn.	N/A	N/A
11.2	<u>North East Scotland Active Travel Network Review - COM/23/332</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to note the progress that had been made on the North East Scotland Active Travel Network Review pertaining to the Aberdeen City area (as the responsible Roads Authority); (ii) to note that, subject to Nestrans Board approval, the initial outcomes of the Network Review would proceed to public and stakeholder consultation, and that this would be co-ordinated by Nestrans; and (iii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to report further progress to this Committee at an appropriate time following the public consultation process, within the next 12 months. 	<p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>D Kinnear</p> <p>S Dunsmuir for planner</p>
11.3	<u>Feasibility of changing the current pay and display policy (Notice of Motion by Councillor Malik) - RES/23/328</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to note that Aberdeen City Council controlled parking zones and car parks do not have consistent operational hours on every day of the week; (ii) to note that people’s reasons for visiting the city centre and public transport provision have changed significantly since the current on-street and off-street city centre parking arrangements were agreed; and (iii) to instruct the Chief Officer - Operations and Protective Services following consultation with the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to explore the feasibility of undertaking a 	<p>Operations and Protective Services / Strategic Place Planning</p>	<p>N Burrows / V Ritson / M Reilly / D Dunne</p>

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		review of on-street and off-street parking and report back with a timeline and resource implications, to the next Net Zero, Environment and Transport Committee.	Governance	S Dunsmuir for planner
11.4	<u>ARI Parking (following Notice of Motion by Councillor Bonsell) - RES/23/324</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="813 347 1592 491">(i) to note that National Health Service Grampian (NHS Grampian) were preparing a new Development Framework and Transport Strategy for the Foresterhill Campus; <li data-bbox="813 491 1592 638">(ii) to note the actions being taken by Aberdeen City Council and local public transport services in relation to active travel and public transport adjacent to the site; <li data-bbox="813 638 1592 826">(iii) to acknowledge NHS Grampian staff worked long, often anti-social hours and needed access to travel options which best met their needs, including adequate access to safe, free parking; <li data-bbox="813 826 1592 1043">(iv) to instruct the Chief Officer – Operations and Protective Services to report to this Committee on any future impacts arising from the above recommendations or collaboration with NHS Grampian to improve accessibility to the site for patients, staff and visitors; <li data-bbox="813 1043 1592 1117">(v) to note the changes to the bus services implemented in recent months; <li data-bbox="813 1117 1592 1334">(vi) to note the significant work already underway by the North East Bus Alliance which includes the operators and the local authorities to develop Aberdeen Rapid Transit including services that would serve the ARI site and link to the Park and Ride facilities; <li data-bbox="813 1334 1592 1495">(vii) to instruct the Director of Commissioning to invite bus operators to a meeting including the Convener and Vice Convener of the Net Zero Environment and Transport Committee, and 	<p data-bbox="1592 826 1899 900">Operations and Protective Services</p> <p data-bbox="1592 1334 1899 1407">Strategic Place Planning</p>	<p data-bbox="1899 826 2157 855">V Ritson</p> <p data-bbox="1899 1334 2157 1362">D Dunne</p>

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		<p>representatives from each political group, to discuss the impact the changes to the bus services has had on NHS Grampian staff and patients; and</p> <p>(viii) to instruct the Director of Commissioning to report back to the next appropriate meeting of the Net Zero Environment and Transport Committee on the outcome of the meetings agreed and any potential further steps.</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>D Dunne</p> <p>S Dunsmuir for planner</p>
11.5	<u>Traffic Management Measures at TECA site - RES/23/238</u>	<p>(i) to note the actions taken to date; and</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Officer - Operations and Protective Services to progress a permanent traffic regulation order for the area surrounding TECA based on the temporary traffic regulation order currently in place.</p>	Operations and Protective Services	S Allan / V Ritson

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