

GOVERNANCE

COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET

ANTI-POVERTY AND INEQUALITY COMMITTEE - WEDNESDAY, 10 MAY 2023

	Item Title	Committee Decision	Services Required to take action	Officer to Action
1	<u>Urgent Business</u>	There was no Urgent Business.		
2	<u>Exempt Business</u>	There was no Exempt Business.		
3	<u>Members are requested to declare any interests or connections</u>	<p>Members were requested to intimate any Declarations of Interest or Transparency Statements in respect of the items on the agenda.</p> <p><u>The Committee resolved:-</u></p> <p>(i) to note that the Convener advised that he had a connection in relation to all the Committee Business agenda items but in particular 9.4 (Report on the Anti-Poverty & Inequality Committee visit to CFINE) as he was a Council appointed representative to Community Food Initiatives North East (CFINE) Board, Aberdeen Foyer and Fairer Aberdeen Fund Board and Chair of the Granite City Good Food Steering Group, however, having applied the objective test he did not consider that his connection amounted to an interest which would prevent him from participating in the discussion on the items; and</p> <p>(ii) to note that Councillor Brooks advised that he had a connection in relation to agenda item 9.4 as he was founder and Chairman of the TLC</p>		

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		Charity which was part of the Trussell Trust family of food banks however, having applied the objective test he did not consider that his connection amounted to an interest which would prevent him from participating in the discussion on the items.		
4	<u>Minute of previous meeting of 8 March 2023 - for approval</u>	<p>The Committee had before it the minute of the previous meeting of 8 March 2023.</p> <p><u>The Committee resolved:-</u></p> <p>(i) to instruct the Director – Customer Services, to issue a Service Update in respect of the joint funding collaboration between Aberdeen City Council and the universities to provide information on any research into the Cost of Living and impact on health specifically; and</p> <p>(ii) to otherwise approve the minute.</p>	Customer	Andy MacDonald
5	<u>Committee Business Planner</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:-</u> to note the Planner.		
6	<u>Supporting People Through the Cost of Living Crisis - CUS/23/122</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:-</u></p> <p>(i) to instruct the Locality Inclusion Manager to bring back a report to Committee regarding the review and uptake of the Family Wellbeing Fund;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Locality Inclusion Manager to circulate a Service Update in respect of food waste, including information on local supermarkets' arrangements and feedback from organisations on the current situation through Food Poverty Aberdeen; and</p> <p>(iii) to otherwise note the progress in delivery of the outcomes from the Cost of Living Funding.</p>	<p>Customer</p> <p>Customer</p>	<p>Paul Tytler</p> <p>Paul Tytler</p>

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7	<u>Update report on current initiatives - CUS/23/123</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:-</u></p> <p>(i) to instruct the Director – Customer Services to report to Committee on 21 June 2023 in respect of the energy price guarantee and any associated future initiatives;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Revenues and Benefit Manager to undertake additional promotion of the Energy Support Scheme and to provide a Service Update on the actions taken in this regard and the uptake of the scheme; and</p> <p>(iii) to note the update on food security and fuel poverty, and that funded programmes are reported through the report Supporting People through the Cost of Living.</p>	<p>Customer</p> <p>Customer</p>	<p>Andy MacDonald</p> <p>Wayne Connell</p>
8	<u>Report from External Advisers - CUS/23/124</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:-</u></p> <p>(i) to note that the next Committee visit would be to Catalyst Vineyard Church following the Committee meeting on 21 June 2023; and</p> <p>(ii) to note the proposed ways of working with the External Advisers.</p>		
9	<u>Report on the Anti-Poverty & Inequality Committee visit to CFINE - CUS/23/159</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:-</u></p> <p>(i) to instruct the Locality Inclusion Manager to circulate a Service Update in respect of the information held on the Council’s website regarding locations for emergency food;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Director – Customer Services, to work with the External Advisers to identify organisations, including CFINE, for a wider group of Elected Members to visit;</p> <p>(iii) to note that the External Advisers would bring a report to a future Committee in respect of suggestions for initiatives for supporting to bring people out of poverty;</p> <p>(iv) to note the information provided following the</p>	<p>Customer</p> <p>Customer</p> <p>Customer</p>	<p>Paul Tytler</p> <p>Andy MacDonald</p> <p>Andy MacDonald</p>

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		(v) visit to CFINE; and to thank all those at CFINE, including the many volunteers, who welcomed the Committee and provided an informative and interesting afternoon.		
10	<u>Exempt/Confidential Business</u>	There was no Exempt business.		

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