

GOVERNANCE

DECISION SHEET

NET ZERO, ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE - TUESDAY, 11 JUNE 2024

Please let the Committee Officer know as soon as possible if you do not agree with any action proposed in this decision sheet. These are decisions of the Committee and there is an expectation that action will be taken. If for any reason it is apparent that you will not be able to act on these instructions in full or in part or that there will be a delay, please let the Committee Officer know as it may be necessary to advise the Committee or seek further instructions from the Committee.

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2.1	<u>Determination of Exempt Business</u>	The Committee resolved: to consider Item 11.7 (Roads and Transport Related Budget Programme 2024-2025 (Annual Report) – Exempt Appendix) with the press and public excluded.	N/A	N/A
3.1	<u>Declarations of Interest and Transparency Statements</u>	These will be noted in the minute.	Governance	S Dunsmuir
5.1	<u>Minute of Previous Meeting of 27 March 2024 - for approval</u>	The Committee resolved: to approve the minute as a correct record.	Governance	S Dunsmuir
6.1	<u>Committee Business Planner</u>	The Committee resolved: (i) to note the verbal update provided on item 7 (Building Energy Efficiency) by the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning, that the building performance policy and standards were currently being updated in accordance with the national standards which had recently been	Corporate Landlord	S Booth

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		<p>produced, and that a report would be presented to a future meeting on progress and any changes which might be required;</p> <p>(ii) also in relation to item 7, to note that the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning would circulate information to Members outwith the meeting on the timeline for the production of the Local Heat & Energy Efficiency Strategy;</p> <p>(iii) to note that officers had advised there might be a delay to item 26 (Den Burn Restoration Project), depending on when the results of funding applications were received, as that would affect whether a meaningful update could be provided to Committee in November;</p> <p>(iv) to agree to remove items 49 (Road Safety Plan 2023-2027), 54 (Wellington Road Multimodal Corridor), 59 (Carbon Budget Monitoring) and 64 (EV Infrastructure Joint Procurement Exercise) for the reasons outlined in the planner; and</p> <p>(v) to otherwise note the business planner.</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>D Dunne</p> <p>S Dunsmuir</p>
9.1	<u>Performance Report - CORS/24/165</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) in relation to page 36 of the report, and the performance indicator for Sickness Absence - Average Number of Days Lost – Environmental, to note the update provided at the meeting and that the Clerk would circulate the</p>	Governance	S Dunsmuir

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		<p>report going to the June Staff Governance Committee on the matter to Net Zero, Environment and Transport Committee members for information;</p> <p>(ii) in relation to performance indicators on fleet asset emissions, to note the explanations given at the meeting as to why the target for emissions had a yellow status, despite the fact 94% of the fleet was low emission, and that officers would circulate information to Members outwith the meeting which identified where there had been peaks and troughs in the data and the reasons for this; and</p> <p>(iii) to otherwise note the report.</p>	<p>Operations</p> <p>Data and Insights</p>	<p>D Jamieson</p> <p>L Fox</p>
9.2	<p><u>Place Based Strategy Framework - CR&E/24/160</u></p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note the current position on the preparation of plans and strategies set out in the report, and the indicative timelines provided; and</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to produce an annual Service Update to this Committee on the ongoing development of the plans and strategies set out in this report, noting that this will be in addition to the ongoing reports to Committee on each individual plan and strategy.</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>D Dunne</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for service update section on business planner</p>
9.3	<p><u>Nature Awareness Campaign: Plans for a citywide collaboration - CR&E/24/164</u></p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to approve the outline Plans for the Citywide Nature Awareness</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning</p>	<p>R Brough / G McLean</p>

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		(ii) Campaign; and instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to continue working on the Campaign with citywide partners and provide a service update within 12 months of this report.		
10.1	<u>Trees and Woodland- CR&E/24/166</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note that if Members had any suggestions for green spaces in their Wards which could be considered for any future rewilding or planting, that they should contact the Environmental Manager;</p> <p>(ii) in relation to the query from Councillor van Sweeden on how the Environmental Service dealt with safety and comfort on tree lined pathways where trees and leaves might fall in poor weather, to note that the Environmental Manager would consider this further and how this could be built in to the work his team was undertaking in such spaces in the city;</p> <p>(iii) to note that the Environmental Manager would provide information to Members outwith the meeting on whether the planting of gorse would have impact on any other species;</p> <p>(iv) to note that the Environmental Manager would present a report to a future Committee on tree planting in respect of the objective to plant one million trees between 2022 and 2032;</p> <p>(v) to note and welcome the information</p>	<p>Operations</p> <p>Operations</p> <p>Operations</p>	<p>S Shaw</p> <p>S Shaw</p> <p>S Shaw</p>

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		(vi) contained within this report; and to instruct the Chief Officer – Operations, to continue to explore funding options, including grants and sponsorship to help fund further tree planting in Aberdeen.	Operations	S Shaw
10.2	<u>Open Space Audit Report - CR&E/24/162</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note that officers would circulate information to Members outwith the meeting on the number of public toilets in Aberdeen and their location;</p> <p>(ii) to note that Kingswells had been omitted from the tree equity index and canopy cover and that officers had contacted the company that had undertaken the data collection to ascertain why that was;</p> <p>(iii) also in relation to the above, to note that officers would ascertain whether the inclusion of Kingswells would improve the figure of 8% in the Kingswells, Sheddocksley and Summerhill ward;</p> <p>(iv) to approve the content of the draft Aberdeen Open Space Audit 2024: Main and Public Survey Reports;</p> <p>(v) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to finalise the reports (including minor corrections, formatting and inclusion of remaining Ward and Theme information following the examples shown on pages 34 and 50 in the main report), circulate these finalised reports via a service update to Net Zero,</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p>	<p>A Brownrigg</p> <p>G Bergman / G McLean</p> <p>G Bergman / G McLean</p> <p>G Bergman / G McLean</p>

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		<p>Environment and Transport Committee Members and publish them on the Council's website;</p> <p>(vi) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning following consultation with Chief Officer Data Insights HDRCA to publish the Open Space Audit geographic information system (GIS) mapping on the Council's website;</p> <p>(vii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to explore options for the development of an ArcGIS StoryMap version of the findings of the Aberdeen Open Space Audit reports; and</p> <p>(viii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to proactively promote the reports and findings with relevant stakeholders, including our communities.</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p>	<p>G Bergman / G McLean</p> <p>G Bergman / G McLean</p> <p>G Bergman / G McLean</p>
11.1	<p><u>Aberdeen Rapid Transit - Recommended Network Routeing - CR&E/24/161</u></p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note the findings of the Aberdeen Rapid Transit (ART) Routeing Appraisal, as presented in Appendix 1;</p> <p>(ii) to note the views of the North East Bus Alliance on the proposed ART routes, as highlighted at 3.19;</p> <p>(iii) to agree the proposed ART routes as outlined at Figure 1 and 3.8-3.18 to be the desired network upon which to continue to develop the business case for ART;</p> <p>(iv) to agree that the multi-modal corridor</p>		

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		<p>studies be concluded at the end of Scottish Transport Appraisal Guidance (STAG) Detailed Options Appraisal and that the bus priority infrastructure options that align with the agreed ART routes as identified at (iii) above, be incorporated within the overall ART Business Case development process, as illustrated at Figure 2, rather than continue as standalone projects;</p> <p>(v) to agree that those actions identified in the Multi-Modal Corridor Studies that do not align with the proposed ART network be progressed through separate workstreams as appropriate;</p> <p>(vi) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to report back to this Committee on the ART Strategic Business Case by the end of the 2024/25 financial year, including further exploration of the costs and risks associated with both a Bus Service Improvement Partnership (BSIP) and Franchise approach, and prior to moving to Outline Business Case;</p> <p>(vii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to engage with bus operators, through the North East Bus Alliance, on the options for delivery of ART along these desired routes through a partnership approach; and</p> <p>(viii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Strategic Place Planning to undertake further</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Governance</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p>	<p>K Chalmers</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p> <p>K Chalmers</p> <p>K Chalmers</p>

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		engagement, as appropriate, with the public and stakeholders on the development of ART to inform the Strategic Business Case, encompassing and superseding previously agreed actions for engagement on the individual corridors, and therefore enabling future engagement to be better aligned and set within the context of the wider ART vision and programme.		
11.2	<u>Citywide implementation of 20mph speed limit - CR&E/24/139</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to note that there was an error in section 3.8(a) of the report and the figure should read 100m, rather than 10m; (ii) to note that officers had provided information to Transport Scotland on the expected cost of implementation, and would provide this information to Members outwith the meeting; (iii) to note that the Convener and Vice Convener had undertaken to write to the Scottish Government, the Chief Constable, and the Crown Office Procurator Fiscal in relation to the Council's concerns about enforcement of the 20mph speed limit; (iv) to acknowledge the Scottish Government's National Strategy for 20 mph in urban areas; (v) to instruct the Chief Officer – Operations to promote the Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO) for 20mph of those streets located within residential	Operations Operations	V Ritson D Allardyce – for information V Ritson / T Olowoleru S Dunsmuir – for

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		<p>areas identified in Appendix 2 and on conclusion of the TRO process, with or without objections, report back to this Committee for consideration prior to implementation;</p> <p>(vi) to instruct the Chief Officer - Operations to report back to this Committee those streets, identified in Appendix 2, meeting the place criteria or linking sections of roads meeting the place criteria, which would encourage a more consistent reduction in speed across a wider area, that could be made 20mph under Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders (TTRO), reporting the results of an informal public consultation process; and</p> <p>(vii) to instruct the Chief Officer - Operations to bring back a report to this Committee, working with Police Scotland, in 24 months on the impact and enforcement on vehicle speeds on the roads where 20mph has been introduced.</p>	<p>Operations</p> <p>Governance</p> <p>Operations</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>planner</p> <p>V Ritson / T Olowoleru</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p> <p>V Ritson / T Olowoleru</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p>
11.3	<u>Implementation of Pavement Parking Prohibition - CR&E/24/140</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note that there was an error in the report at section 3.5 where the ward for Great Northern Road was listed incorrectly as Airyhall/Broomhill/Garthdee, however the map appended to the report did show the correct location;</p> <p>(ii) to note that officers would ascertain whether Edinburgh City Council had</p>	<p>Operations</p>	<p>V Ritson</p>

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		<p>required to increase the number of wardens to implement the enforcement of pavement parking, and if so, whether they had utilised the funding source for additional wardens, and would circulate this information to Members outwith the meeting;</p> <p>(iii) to acknowledge the Scottish Government's directive to local authorities regarding the pavement parking, double parking and parking at dropped kerbs, prohibitions;</p> <p>(iv) to authorise officers (whether City Wardens, officers in the Parking and Bus Lane Appeals Team or other officers) to undertake, arrange to be undertaken, authorise and instruct, all activity relating to parking enforcement (including but not limited to enforcement of pavement parking, double parking and parking at dropped kerbs) in terms of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2019 and the Parking Prohibitions (Enforcement and Accounts) (Scotland) Regulations 2023, excluding streets that are to be exempted from the pavement parking prohibition;</p> <p>(v) to instruct the Chief Officer - Operations to remove existing signs in relation to existing pavement parking bans;</p> <p>(vi) to instruct the Chief Officer - Operations to undertake the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) process</p>	<p>Operations</p> <p>Operations</p>	<p>V Ritson / T Olowoleru</p> <p>V Ritson / T Olowoleru</p>

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		<p>necessary for the exemption of the streets listed in section 3.5 from the pavement parking prohibition and report back to this committee any objections received. If no objections are received, the TRO should be made, and the exemptions implemented on site; and</p> <p>(vii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Operations to report to this Committee no later than July 2025 on the operation of the pavement parking prohibition and to make any necessary recommendations arising from that.</p>	<p>Operations</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>V Ritson</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p>
11.4	<p><u>Various Small Scale Traffic Management - Stage 3 - CR&E/24/168</u></p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to acknowledge the objections received as a result of the public advertisement of proposed Traffic Regulation Orders;</p> <p>(ii) in relation to “THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL (A92 North Anderson Drive, Aberdeen) Prohibition of Right Turns) Order 202(X)” overrule the objection received and approve this order be made as originally advertised;</p> <p>(iii) in relation to “The ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL (Cove Road- Extension of prohibition of waiting at any time restrictions Order 202(X)” overrule the objection received and approve this order be made as originally advertised;</p> <p>(iv) in relation to “THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL (Abergeldie Road &</p>	<p>Operations</p>	<p>V Ritson / S Allan</p>

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		<p>Braemar place–proposed lengths of prohibition of waiting at any time.) (TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT) ORDER 202X” overrule the objection received and approve this order be made as originally advertised;</p> <p>(v) in relation to “THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL (Milltimber Brae proposed 40mph speed limit) (TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT) ORDER 202X” overrule the objection received and approve this order be made as originally advertised; and</p> <p>(vi) in relation to “THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL (Hazeldene/Pinewood proposed 20mph speed limit) (TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT) ORDER 202X” overrule the objection received and approve this order be made as originally advertised.</p>		
11.5	<p><u>The Aberdeen City Council (City Centre, Aberdeen) (Traffic Management) (Experimental) Order 2023 - Statutory Public Consultation - CR&E/24/169</u></p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note that officers would investigate whether data was available for Council-run car parks to show if there had been any drop in uptake of parking;</p> <p>(ii) to note that officers would provide information to Members outwith the meeting in relation to footfall data from other cities, and the comparison to Aberdeen;</p> <p>(iii) to note that officers would contact Police Scotland to ask if there had been an increase in anti-social behaviour in the city centre since last</p>	<p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p>	<p>M Wilson</p> <p>J Coventry</p> <p>M Wilson</p>

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		<p>summer and the closure of Union Street to general traffic, and to further note that a report was due to the next meeting of Communities, Housing and Public Protection Committee on this issue;</p> <p>(iv) in relation to the query as to how many people were now travelling into the city centre on public transport, including the number of people going in and out of the bus station, to note that officers would contact Stagecoach and First Group to ask if more detailed data could be provided on this; and</p> <p>(v) to agree the recommendations subject to (i) and (ii) below;</p> <p>(i) in the context of the ongoing construction works on Union Street and around the New Market development, instruct the Chief Officer - Operations to introduce a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TTRO) to suspend the Bus Gates on Union Street (westbound only) / Market Street (southbound only), between its junctions with Adelphi and Hadden Street; this allowing all classes of vehicle to turn left from Union Street onto Market Street, thereafter restricting general traffic to a left only turn at the bottom of Market Street onto Trinity Quay (Virginia Street), this to aid continued access and servicing</p>	Strategic Place Planning	G McKenzie / V Ritson

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		year 2024/25 and award contracts relating thereto.		
11.7	<u>Roads and Transport Related Budget Programme 2024 - 2025 exempt appendix</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note the exempt appendices.	N/A	N/A

If you require any further information about this decision sheet, please contact Steph Dunsmuir, sdunsmuir@aberdeencity.gov.uk