

GOVERNANCE

COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET

ANTI-POVERTY AND INEQUALITY COMMITTEE - WEDNESDAY, 20 MARCH 2024

	Item Title	Committee Decision	Services Required to take action	Officer to Action
1.1	<u>Urgent Business</u>	There was no Urgent Business.		
2.1	<u>Exempt Business</u>	There was no Exempt Business.		
3.1	<u>Declarations of Interest or Transparency Statements</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 Councillor Brooks advised that he had a connection in relation to agenda item 9.2 (Fairer Aberdeen Fund Annual Report) as he was founder and Chairman of the TLC 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;</p> <p>(ii) to note that Councillor Kusznr advised that he had a connection in relation to agenda item 9.2 as he was a Board Member of Aberdeen Citizens Advice Bureau 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</p>		

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		<p>on the items;</p> <p>(iii) to note that the Convener advised that he had a connection in relation to agenda items 9.1 (Six monthly update on the Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Work and Pensions) and 9.2 as he was a European Economic Area national and a Board Member of Fairer Aberdeen respectively, 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>(iv) to note that Dr Bone advised that he had a connection in relation to agenda item 9.2 as he was a Board member of CFINE 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.</p>		
4.1	<u>Deputations</u>	There were no deputations.		
5.1	<u>Minute of previous meeting of 31 January 2024</u>	to approve the minute.	Governance	Emma Robertson
6.1	<u>Committee Business Planner</u>	<p>The Committee had before it the planner of committee business, as prepared by the Interim Chief Officer – Governance (Assurance).</p> <p><u>The Committee resolved:-</u></p> <p>(i) to note that the External advisors would participate in the creation of the criteria for allocating funding as well as</p>		

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		<p>recommendations for the allocation of £1million to mitigate against the ongoing cost of living crisis and contribute to alleviating poverty in the city and that suggestions from members would be welcome;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Executive Director - Corporate Services, to issue a Service Update on the potential criteria to be considered in order to make recommendations for the allocation of the £1million funding outlined at line 13; and</p> <p>(iii) to otherwise note the Planner.</p>	Corporate Services	Andy MacDonald
7.1	<u>Notice of Motion</u>	<p>(i) to note the information from the Interim Executive Director - Families and Communities, with regard to the Scottish Government update and guidance in respect of Early Learning And Childcare Funding for 2024-25;</p> <p>(ii) to agree that the correspondence from the Scottish Government referred to by the Interim Executive Director be circulated to the Committee; and</p> <p>(iii) to note that Councillor Kusznir had withdrawn his Notice of Motion in light of the update by the Interim Executive Director.</p>	Families and Communities	Eleanor Sheppard
8.1	<u>Referrals from Council, Committees and Sub Committees</u>	There were no referrals.		
9.1	<u>Six monthly update on the Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Work and Pensions - CUS/24/077</u>	<p>(i) to note the report; and</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Officer - Housing to liaise with the Department of Work and Pensions and update the Memorandum of Understanding in line with current priorities and submit it back to Committee for approval.</p>	Chief Officer - Housing	Jacqui McKenzie

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9.2	<u>Fairer Aberdeen Fund Annual Report - CUS/24/003</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to note the Fairer Aberdeen Fund Annual Report for 2022-23, at Appendix 1 and the positive impact that has been made to lives of people in Aberdeen; (ii) to instruct the Executive Director - Corporate Services, to thank all the Fairer Aberdeen Board members, funded partners, and volunteers for the work they've done and their many successes; (iii) to instruct the Interim Executive Director - Families and Communities, to circulate information in respect of the Relationship Resolution project in schools; (iv) to instruct the Fairer Aberdeen Coordinator to include comparison of previous years' indicators in future reports; (v) to agree that the video presentations would be circulated to the Committee; and (vi) to instruct the Executive Director - Corporate Services, to circulate information in respect of any funding or grants to the new Rolex store being developed on Union Street. 	<p>Corporate Services</p> <p>Families and Communities</p> <p>Chief Officer - Housing</p> <p>Chief Officer - Housing</p> <p>Corporate Services</p>	<p>Andy MacDonald</p> <p>Eleanor Sheppard</p> <p>Susan Thoms</p> <p>Susan Thoms</p> <p>Andy MacDonald</p>
9.3	<u>Integrated Children's Services Plan - Annual Update - CFS/24/042</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to note the progress made in delivering the Aberdeen City Integrated Children's Services Strategic Plan and associated work to address child poverty from April 2023 to date; (ii) to note and comment on the changes evident in data sets released over the reporting period; (iii) to delegate authority to the Interim Executive Director - Families and Communities, to submit the Annual Report, which was inclusive of the Local Child Poverty Action Report (LCPAR), to Scottish Government; and 	<p>Families and Communities</p>	<p>Eleanor Sheppard</p>

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		(iv) to agree in future years that the Plan would be presented to the Anti Poverty and Inequality Committee for its input in advance of being presented to the Education and Children's Services Committee for formal approval.	Families and Communities, Governance	Eleanor Sheppard, Steph Dunsmuir/ Emma Robertson (Planner)
9.4	<u>Report on Committee Visit to Aberdeen Cyrenians on 31 January 2024 - CUS/24/085</u>	(i) to note the report with information provided by Aberdeen Cyrenians; (ii) to thank all those at Aberdeen Cyrenians, including the many staff and volunteers, who welcomed the Committee and provided an informative and interesting visit; and (iii) to instruct the Executive Director - Corporate Services, to formally write to Aberdeen Cyrenians expressing the Committee's thanks for the visit.	Corporate Services	Andy MacDonald
10.1	<u>Exempt/Confidential Business</u>	There was no exempt business.		

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