

GOVERNANCE

DECISION SHEET

FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - THURSDAY, 31 JULY 2025

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1.1	<u>Urgent Business</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note the reasons for the urgent business.		
2.1	<u>Declarations of Interest and Transparency Statements</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> There were no declarations of interest or transparency statements intimated.		
3.1	<u>Urgent Notice of Motion by Councillor Tissera - Energy from Waste</u> That the Committee:- (1) Agree it was simply outrageous for Elected Members to find out via the press regarding the ongoing closure of the Energy from Waste Plant; (2) Agree it has now been established that Council officers knew about this closure on 27 June 2025, yet despite there being a Council meeting on 2 July 2025, all Elected Members were not informed;	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (1) note the North East Scotland Shared (NESS) Energy from Waste Project (EfW) is a shared service between Aberdeen City Council, Aberdeenshire Council and Moray Council to treat the residual waste from the three Councils; (2) note that EFW Ness Ltd (Acciona) is the contractor responsible for delivering that service for the three authorities and it has sub-contracted the operation of the facility to Indaver, and that EFW Ness Ltd recently notified Indaver of their intention to		

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	<p>(3) Agree that most, if not all of the problems the Council currently has to face such as Bus gates, Energy from Waste, and RAAC has come through either the Net Zero Environment and Transport Committee or through Urgent Business Committee both convened by Councillor Ian Yuill;</p> <p>(4) Agree officers must inform Elected Members when they advised Administration leaders on the closure of the plant and explain why all Elected Members were not appraised of the reasons for closure before it made its way to the press;</p> <p>(5) Agree that changes to staff terms and conditions as part of the 35-hour week may have contributed to bin collections not being undertaken as before and instructs the Chief Officer - Operations to bring forward a report to the relevant committee, into any impacts that the 35-hour week has had on the management of bin collections following its implementation; and</p> <p>(6) Instructs the Chief Officer - Operations to bring forward a report to the Council meeting on 20 August 2025, providing Elected members with information as to how the Council intends to ensure</p>	<p>(3) terminate the operating sub-contract; note the ongoing contractual negotiations between Council officers and Acciona to ensure the Energy from Waste facility is fully operational as soon as possible;</p> <p>(4) note that any changes in the delivery of waste management will be reported to the Net Zero, Environment and Transport Committee, through the performance report; and</p> <p>(5) instruct the Chief Officer – Operations to provide an update to the Net Zero, Environment and Transport Committee when the Energy from Waste facility is operational, outlining any potential environmental impact and any contractual implications for the Council.</p>		

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	the Energy for Waste Plant gets back up running and the knock-on effects the closure is having on residents and communities throughout Aberdeen.			
3.2	<p><u>Urgent Joint Notice of Motion by the Convener and Councillor Greig - Tall Ships 2025</u></p> <p>That Committee:-</p> <p>(1) Celebrates the success of Tall Ships Aberdeen 2025, delivered by Team Aberdeen led by Aberdeen City Council, Port of Aberdeen and Aberdeen Inspired working in partnership, which saw over 400,000 visits to Aberdeen;</p> <p>(2) Thanks all the hundreds of staff, volunteers, corporate sponsors, and young people;</p> <p>(3) Notes an evaluation report is being prepared to allow partners to fully understand the positive impact the Tall Ships has had on our city; and</p> <p>(4) In the meantime, instructs the Chief Officer - City Development and Regeneration, working with the Port of Aberdeen and Aberdeen Inspired, to engage with Sail Training International around the options to bring the Tall Ships back to Aberdeen in the future, noting that an evaluation report on Tall Ships 2025 will be prepared for November's Finance and</p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(1) celebrate the success of Tall Ships Aberdeen 2025, delivered by Team Aberdeen led by Aberdeen City Council, Port of Aberdeen and Aberdeen Inspired working in partnership, which saw over 400,000 visits to Aberdeen;</p> <p>(2) thank all the hundreds of staff, volunteers, corporate sponsors, and young people;</p> <p>(3) note an evaluation report is being prepared to allow partners to fully understand the positive impact the Tall Ships has had on our city; and</p> <p>(4) in the meantime, instruct the Chief Officer - City Development and Regeneration, working with the Port of Aberdeen and Aberdeen Inspired, to engage with Sail Training International around the options to bring the Tall Ships back to Aberdeen in the future, noting that an evaluation report on Tall Ships 2025 will be prepared for November's Finance and Resources Committee.</p>		

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