

OPERATIONAL DELIVERY COMMITTEE

ABERDEEN, 17 September 2019. Minute of Meeting of the OPERATIONAL DELIVERY COMMITTEE. Present:- Councillor Wheeler, Convener; Councillors Bell and Graham, Vice-Conveners; and Councillors Cormie, Delaney, Donnelly (as substitute for Councillor Stewart), Flynn (as substitute for Councillor Jackie Dunbar), Grant (as substitute for Councillor Lesley Dunbar), Henrickson, Laing (as substitute for Councillor Lumsden from item 9 onwards), Lumsden (for items 1 to 8), Macdonald, McLellan and Townson.

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CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

1. The Committee was advised that the report listed at item 12.1 on the agenda was to be heard in private and treated as confidential information in terms of Section 50(A)(3)(b) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973

The Committee resolved:

to note that item 12.1 be heard in private and treated as confidential information in terms of Section 50(A)(3)(b) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

WEIGHT RESTRICTION TO STOP HGVS USING SCHOOL ROAD/ GOLF ROAD/ PARK ROAD AND PARK STREET

2. The Clerk advised that at the request of the petitioner, the petition would be heard and considered at the following Committee meeting on 12 November 2019.

The Committee resolved:-

to note the information provided.

MINUTE OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF 16 MAY 2019

3. The Committee had before it the minute of the previous meeting of 16 May 2019, for approval.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the minute as a correct record.

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COMMITTEE BUSINESS PLANNER

4. The Committee had before it the committee business planner as prepared by the Chief Officer – Governance.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to request that officers investigate the position in relation to item 4 (South College Street/Queen Elizabeth Bridge junction) and to send an update to members in this regard;
- (ii) to agree to remove items 5 (Child Poverty), 6 (Bring your own device), 8 (Various small scale traffic management stage 3), 10 (Road Safety Plan), 11 (Performance Report) and 12 (Housing Case);
- (iii) to agree to remove item 15 (Hydrogen Buses and Facilities in Aberdeen) as this had now transferred to City Growth and Resources Committee; and
- (iv) to otherwise note the information on the business planner.

PERFORMANCE REPORT - COM/19/098

5. The Committee had before it a report by the Chief Operating Officer and the Director of Customer Services, which presented Committee with the status of key performance measures relating to the Operations function.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee provide comments and observations on the performance measures in relation to the Operations function.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to note that a report was due to be submitted to the Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Committee on VOIDS; and
- (ii) to otherwise note the information provided in the Performance Report.

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE POLICY - CUS/19/304

6. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Customer Services, which sought approval of the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee approve the BYOD Policy.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to request that a Service Update be issued to Members after 12 months of the policy being implemented, with details on how successful the policy had been

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- with take up rates, and providing details on any possible cost saving to the Council; and
- (ii) to otherwise approve the BYOD Policy.

VARIOUS SMALL SCALE PROPOSALS - STAGE 3 - OPE/19/335

7. The Committee had before it a report by the Chief Operating Officer, which considered objections that had been lodged with respect to proposed Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) at the public advertisement stage.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) acknowledge the objections received as a result of the statutory consultation; and
- (b) overrule the objections received and approve the order “The Aberdeen City Council (Malcolm Road, Bucksburn, Aberdeen) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 210X” as originally envisaged.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendations contained within the report.

ROAD SAFETY PLAN - OPE/19/334

8. The Committee had before it a report by the Chief Operating Officer, which introduced the latest Road Safety plan for Aberdeen City 2019-2022 which included an update on local road casualty performance and outlined actions to assist in casualty reduction.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee approve the Road Safety Plan for Aberdeen City 2019-22.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to thank officers for their continued efforts and hard work with the Road Safety Plan; and
- (ii) to approve the recommendation contained within the report.

ROADS WINTER SERVICE PLAN 2019-20 - OPE/19/337

9. The Committee had before it a report by the Chief Operating Officer, which presented the proposed Roads Winter Service Plan for 2019 and highlighted changes from previous years. The report also sought to address the issues raised during the budget setting process for 2019-20.

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The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) approve the “Roads Winter Service Plan 2019-2020” including the changes made to the priority hierarchy for roads treatments; and
- (b) delegate authority to the Chief Officer – Operations and Protective Services to, following consultation with the Chief Officer – Finance, continue to deliver the Winter Maintenance Service.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to note that a briefing would be organised in due course for Elected Members in regard to the winter maintenance for roads; and
- (ii) to otherwise approve the recommendations.

SCOTTISH HOUSING REGULATOR - ANNUAL ASSURANCE STATEMENT - CUS/19/376

10. The Committee had before it a report by the Chief Officer – Early Intervention and Community Empowerment, which sought approval for the Council’s Annual Assurance Statement which must be submitted to the Scottish Housing Regulator by 31 October 2019.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee approve the Annual Assurance Statement for submission to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

The Convener, seconded by the Vice Convener Councillor Bell, moved:-

That the Committee approve the recommendation contained within the report.

Councillor Delaney, seconded by Councillor Henrickson, moved as an amendment:-

That the Committee –

- (1) Declines to approve the Annual Assurance Statement appended to this report for submission to the Scottish Housing Regulator and instructs the Director of Customer Services to report back to the next meeting of this Committee with additional evidence of compliance in order that the Committee may (if satisfied with such evidence) so approve the Statement at that time; and
- (2) Instructs the Director of Customer Services to write to the Scottish Housing Regulator to inform them that the 31 October deadline will not be met and to seek an extension in this regard.

On a division there voted:- for the motion (12) – the Convener, and Councillors Bell, Cormie, Donnelly, Flynn, Grant, Graham, Henrickson, Laing, Macdonald, McLellan and Townson; for the amendment (1) – Councillor Delaney.

The Committee resolved:-

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to adopt the motion and therefore approve the recommendation contained within the report.

In terms of Standing Order 31.7, Councillor Delaney intimated his dissent against the decision of the Committee.

CHILD POVERTY - CUS/19/375

11. The Committee had before it a report by the Chief Operating Officer, which outlined the requirements on Local Authorities and Health Boards under the Child Poverty (Scotland) Act 2017, to identify actions taken in 2018/19 to tackle child poverty, and to propose the Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2016-26 be adopted as the local Child Poverty Action Plan for the years 2019-22.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) note the content of the report; and
- (b) approve the adoption of the Local Outcome Improvement Plan as the Child Poverty Action Plan for the years 2019-22.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to thank officers for their efforts around producing the Child Poverty Action Plan; and
- (ii) to otherwise approve the recommendations contained in the report.

In accordance with the decision recorded under article 1 of this minute, the following item was considered with the press and public excluded.

HOUSING CASE - CUS/19/370

12. The Committee had before it a report by the Chief Officer – Early Intervention and Community Empowerment, which sought approval for a housing transfer for a tenant which currently sat outwith officers' delegated authority under the scheme of allocations.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee approve a transfer for the tenant to a 3 bedroom property in the city.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to note that officers would confirm the situation in regard to what Councillors would be excluded from in terms of future housing cases; and
- (ii) to otherwise approve the recommendation contained within the report.

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- Councillor John Wheeler, Convener

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