ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Finance and Resources
DATE	30 January 2024
EXEMPT	No
CONFIDENTIAL	No
REPORT TITLE	Capital Projects - Queen Elizabeth II Tribute
REPORT NUMBER	RES/24/035
DIRECTOR	Resources
CHIEF OFFICER	Corporate Landlord
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TERMS OF REFERENCE	4.1

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The Communities Housing and Public Protection Committee on 1 November 2022 agreed to instruct the Chief Officer – Corporate Landlord to bring back a report to the relevant committee on the ongoing and future planned Council Capital projects which could be named in tribute to Queen Elizabeth II.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

That the Committee:-

- 2.1 Consider the option for capital projects that could be named after Queen Elizabeth II;
- 2.2 Note the process for naming a Capital Project after Queen Elizabeth II; and
- 2.3 Agree (1) which project to be named after Queen Elizabeth II and to instruct the Chief Executive to approach the Protocol and Honours Office with the decision of this Committee and report the outcome to a future Committee meeting; or (2) to take no further action.

3. CURRENT SITUATION

- 3.1 The Communities Housing and Public Protection Committee on 1 November 2022 agreed to instruct the Chief Officer Corporate Landlord to bring back a report to the relevant committee on the ongoing and future planned Council Capital projects which could be named in tribute to Queen Elizabeth II.
- 3.2 Consideration has since been given to Capital Projects which are upcoming and could be relevant. A list of all projects within the Capital Plan are attached as appendix 1.
- 3.3 Within this list officers would draw particular attention to the following projects for consideration:-

- a. The Replacement Hazlehead Academy.
- b. The new Playpark at Hazlehead Park.
- c. Proposed new Primary at Newhills Expansion
- d. New Urban Park at Beach.
- e. New Riverbank Primary school
- 3.4 Should the committee be of a mind to name one of the above or another projects after Queen Elizabeth II, officers have been investigating the process for this.

The formal Guidance is provided at the following web address;

Royal_Names_Memorialisation_Public_Guidance.pdf

- 3.5 to summarise officers have also spoken to the Protocol and Honours office about the process. They suggest that the senior officer of the Council should formally approach them with a proposal. This should include
 - Reason(s) why the name is being sought
 - A history of the organisation/body
 - Details of any Royal connections or associations (where applicable)
 - Any other information that is considered appropriate

The protocols and honours office would then review the against their "memorialisation criteria"

3.6 The Committee are advised that the current Hazlehead Academy was opened by Queen Elizabeth II on 7th October 1970.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no direct funding implications for any of the named projects as it is expected that the cost will be accommodated within existing budgets.
- 4.2 It may be anticipated that there would be a naming event and formal opening of the project which would have to be considered within the overall project budget.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no direct legal implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

6. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no direct environmental implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

7. RISK

Category	Risks	Primary Controls/Control Actions to achieve Target Risk Level	*Target Risk Level (L, M or H) *taking into account controls/control actions	*Does Target Risk Level Match Appetite Set?
Strategic Risk	None		L	Yes
Compliance	None		L	Yes
Operational	None		L	Yes
Financial	None		L	Yes
Reputational	None		L	Yes
Environment / Climate	None		L	Yes

8. OUTCOMES

8.1 The proposals in this report have no impact on the Council Delivery Plan.

9. IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

Assessment	Outcome	
Integrated Impact	Stage 1 Assessment has been completed. No further	
Assessment	action is considered necessary by the Chief	
	Officer.	
Data Protection Impact	Not Required	
Assessment		
Other	Not Required	

10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 None

11. APPENDICES

11.1 List of Capital Plan Projects

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