

Councillor Greig moved, seconded by Councillor Al-Samarai:-

That the Council approve the recommendations contained within the report.

Councillor Malik moved as an amendment, seconded by Councillor Blake:-

That the Council -

- (1) agree recommendations 1-4 of the report;
- (2) agree recommendation 5 as follows:- Refer the matter to the Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Committee, with the Chief Internal Auditor providing a report on the implementation of the Commission findings and action plan no later than September 2025;
- (3) agree that no control system is fool proof and as section 3.15 of the report to Council in April 2024 highlighted, controls are designed on the basis that most people are honest and trusted, nevertheless this alleged embezzlement highlights failures on the Council's part over a 17-year period;
- (4) instruct the Chief Officer - Finance to continue to seek to use any relevant remedy available to recover as much money as it can from the individual concerned; and
- (5) instruct officers to identify proactive methods for expediting the return of money to the people affected and report the implications to the next meeting of the Finance and Resources Committee.

On a division, there voted:-

For the motion (22) - Lord Provost; Depute Provost; and Councillors Al-Samarai, Allard, Alphonse, Bouse, Hazel Cameron, Clark, Cooke, Copland, Cormie, Davidson, Fairfull, Greig, Henrickson, Hutchison, MacGregor, McLellan, Mennie, Radley, van Sweeden and Yuill.

For the amendment (19) - Councillors Ali, Blake, Bonsell, Boulton, Brooks, Crockett, Cross, Graham, Grant, Kuszniir, Lawrence, Macdonald, McLeod, Malik, Nicoll, Mrs Stewart, Thomson, Tissera and Watson.

**The Council resolved:-**

to adopt the motion.