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ABERDEEN, 3 JUNE 2014. Minute of Meeting of the ENTERPRISE, STRATEGIC PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE. Present:- Councillor Crockett, Convener; Councillor Taylor, Vice-Convener and Councillors Allan, Corall, Cormie (as substitute for Councillor MacGregor), Dickson (as substitute for Councillor McCaig), Dunbar (substitute for Councillor Milne), Finlayson, Jaffrey, Malik (as substitute for Councillor Boulton), Nathan Morrison (as substitute for Councillor Allan from article 5 to finish), Noble (as substitute for Councillor Blackman), Jean Morrison MBE, Thomson, Young and Yuill.

Also in attendance:- Councillor Delaney (for articles 5 and 18).

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REQUESTS FOR DEPUTATION

1. In terms of Standing Order 10, the Committee had before it three requests for deputation from (1) Mr Stan McEwan, on behalf of Kingswells Community Council relating to article 5 (Motion by Councillors Boulton and Delaney – Hazlehead to Westhill Road (A944) Pedestrian Crossings and Suitable Bus Lay-Bys); (2) Ms Caren McNeil relating to article 6 (Traffic Orders at the Final Stage of the Statutory Process – Abergeldie Road); and (3) Mr Bill Hay and Mr Ian Cukrowski also relating to article 6 (Traffic Orders at the Final Stage of the Statutory Process – City Centre).

The Convener proposed that all three deputations be heard and that they be considered earlier on the agenda.

The Committee resolved:-

to hear all three deputations and to concur with the proposal.

DETERMINATION OF EXEMPT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

2. Prior to considering the matters before the Committee, the Committee resolved in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the press and public from the meeting for article 28 so as to avoid disclosure of exempt information of the class described in paragraphs 8 and 10 of Schedule 7(A) to the Act.

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MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING OF 13 MARCH 2014

3. The Committee had before it the minute of its previous meeting of 13 March, 2014.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the minute.

REFERRAL FROM PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – MAXIMUM PARKING STANDARDS

4. The Committee had before it by way of referral, a report from the Planning Development Management Committee of 28 May, 2014 relating to Maximum Parking Standards.

The Planning Development Management Committee had resolved:-

to recommend to the Enterprise, Strategic Planning and Infrastructure Committee that a letter be sent to the relevant Scottish Minister to (a) request that a dispensation be made for Aberdeen in relation to maximum parking standards, and (b) ask for consideration of how targets set within Green Travel Plans could be legally enforced.

The Committee resolved:-

to request a report back to the next meeting of the Committee outlining the potential implications of the above proposal.

NOTICE OF JOINT MOTION BY COUNCILLORS BOULTON AND DELANEY - HAZLEHEAD TO WESTHILL ROAD (A944) PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS AND SUITABLE BUS LAYBYS

5. In terms of Standing Order 10(1), and as agreed at the beginning of the meeting (article 1 refers), the Committee received a deputation from Mr Stan McEwan and Mr John Gerrie on behalf of Kingswells Community Council.

Mr Gerrie (a) advised that the residents of Fairley Road and Old Skene Road areas of Kingswells had requested the reinstatement of the bus stops around the Church area on the A944 Dual Carriageway between Aberdeen and Westhill; (b) indicated that the residents have continued concerns as a result of the increasing road use in the area; (c) made reference to the original bus route that partially serviced some 79 households and 3 businesses at the lower Kingswells area and the relocation of the west bound bus stop due to the Prime Four development which was to the detriment of the residents; (d) explained that First Group had withdrawn the service due to a drop in passenger numbers and the operation of the Park and Ride service resulting in travellers relying on a Stagecoach bus service at the existing layby at the church eastward and the Prime Four layby westward; (e) intimated that as a result westbound travellers, including mothers and children, pensioners and people with disabilities were finding the 800

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metres walk along the exposed A944 pavement into Kingswells a step too far particularly when the weather was extreme; (f) made reference to safety issues in car movements in the area and the resiting of the crossing to the eastside of the roundabout; (g) made reference to the Five Mile proposal in terms of access which was 0.7 miles to the west of the Kingswells roundabout; (h) supported the introduction of an on demand pedestrian light crossing initially, which could be upgraded to full traffic lights when the developments were complete at that point with little cost to the Council; and (i) supported the request by Kingswells residents to reinstate the withdrawn bus stops that would allow a safe and reasonable service between the community and both city and communities to the west at Westhill and beyond.

With reference to article 4 of the previous meeting of 13 March, 2014 the Committee had before it a background report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure relating to the following joint motion by Councillors Boulton and Delaney:-

“Instructs officers to provide a report to the next Enterprise, Strategic Planning and Infrastructure meeting including the financial implications on the most efficient way to progress pedestrian crossings and suitable bus laybys on the Hazlehead to Westhill Road, the A944 in the vicinity of the residential area by Kingswells Church and the Five Mile Garage.”

Councillor Delaney indicated that the original bus stops had been well used prior to the withdrawal of the service, and that it was extremely dangerous for residents living in the area to cross the road. He advised that the pedestrian crossing was too far away, especially for elderly and disabled people and was not being used by anyone. He concluded by explaining that there was no public transport for a quarter of the residents in Kingswells.

Councillor Delaney, seconded by Councillor Yuill moved:-

that officers be instructed to carry out further investigations on implementing a layout for bus stops/laybys in both directions in the immediate vicinity of the Five Mile garage on the A944 Hazlehead to Westhill Road and a footpath from Smiddy Brae to the bus stop at the five mile location heading towards Westhill and to bring a report back to the next Committee meeting including financial implications.

That officers investigate how a low cost effective solution to delivering a bus lay by and pedestrian crossing can be progressed opposite Kingswells Church, including the possibility of relocating the pedestrian facilities currently located at Prime Four.

The Convener, seconded by the Vice Convener moved as an amendment:-

that officers be instructed to carry out further investigations on implementing a layout for bus stops/laybys in both directions in the immediate vicinity of the Five Mile garage on the A944 Hazlehead to Westhill Road and a footpath from Smiddy Brae to the bus stop at the five mile location heading towards Westhill and to bring a report back to the next Committee meeting including the final implications.

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On a division, there voted:- for the motion (7) – Councillors Corall, Cormie, Dixon, Delaney, Jaffrey, Noble and Yuill; for the amendment (9) – the Convener, the Vice-Convener and Councillors Allan, Dunbar, Finlayson, Malik, Jean Morrison MBE, Thomson and Young.

The Committee resolved:-
to adopt the amendment.

TRAFFIC ORDERS AT THE FINAL STAGE OF THE STATUTORY PROCESS – EPI/14/054

6. In terms of Standing Order 10(1), and as agreed at the beginning of the meeting (article 1 refers), the Committee received a deputation from Ms Caren McNeil relating to the proposed car club parking spaces on Abergeldie Road, Aberdeen.

Ms McNeil (a) referred to her previously submitted objection and circulated a number of photographs of Abergeldie Road/Broomhill Road on 2nd June 2014; (b) indicated that there were significant parking problems in the area resulting in her being unable to park outside her home; (c) advised that the Tesco Store development would increase the parking situation and road safety issues in the road; (d) explained that there had been a number of accidents in the area in the last 12-14 months; (e) intimated that the new development on Pitstruan Place had increased parking problems; (f) stated that officers had indicated that there was a high demand for car club spaces in the area, but had not explained where they are coming from; and (g) outlined that the area was residential in nature and that there were good transport links with no businesses in close proximity.

Members were invited to ask questions of Ms McNeil and then thanked her for her contribution.

The Committee also received a deputation from Mr Bill Hay and Mr Ian Cukrowski relating to the proposed re-zoning of parking within the city centre.

Mr Cukrowski advised (a) that he was a business permit holder located on Little Belmont Street for 25 years; (b) that he required to use his vehicle for deliveries approximately three times per day (Monday to Friday); (c) that the proposed re-zoning would mean that he would have to park near the Green which was some distance away from his business; (d) made reference to an unwritten rule which allowed him to park 2 streets away from his business in Golden Square; and (e) that consideration should be given to allow the Belmont zone to be retained within city centre west zone.

Mr Hay advised (a) that there were currently only twelve permits in the Belmont zone, six of which were residents and the others being businesses; and (b) that he parked in Golden Square because it was more practicable and there was very little parking in Union Terrace.

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Members were invited to ask questions of Mr Hay and Mr Cukrowski and then thanked them both for their contribution.

The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which advised of the outcome of the final statutory stage of the following 13 traffic orders and presented the objections which had been received where relevant in each case:-

- (1) The Aberdeen City Council (Palmnerston Road/Stell Road, Aberdeen) (Prohibition of Waiting) (Taxi Rank) Order 201(X);
- (2) The Aberdeen City Council (Access Road Serving Property No. 38 Powis Terrace, Aberdeen) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 201(X);
- (3) The Aberdeen City Council (Seafield Court, Aberdeen) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 201(X);
- (4) The Aberdeen City Council (Margaret Street/Rose Street, Aberdeen) (Pay & Display) Order 201(X);
- (5) The Aberdeen City Council (Souterhead Road, Aberdeen) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 201(X);
- (6) The Aberdeen City Council (Lewis Road, Aberdeen) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 201(X);
- (7) The Aberdeen City Council (North Deeside Road, Bieldside, Aberdeen) (Extension of 30mph Speed Limit) Order 201(X);
- (8) The Aberdeen City Council (Braehead School, Aberdeen) Regulatory Part-time 20mph Speed Limits) Order 201(X);
- (9) The Aberdeen City Council (Auchmill Road/Un-named Access Road Serving 256 to 264 Auchmill Road, Aberdeen) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 201(X);
- (10) The Aberdeen City Council (Disabled Persons Parking Places in Aberdeen City) (Regulatory Parking Places) (No 2) Order 201(X);
- (11) The Aberdeen City Council (On-Street Car Club Parking Spaces) (Amendment) Order 201(X);
- (12) The Aberdeen City (City Centre East, Aberdeen) (Traffic Management and Controlled Parking) Order 201(X);
- (13) The Aberdeen City Council (City Centre West, Aberdeen) (Traffic Management and Controlled Parking) Order 201(X).

The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) approve the orders that did not attract objections;
- (b) in relation to The Aberdeen City Council (On-Street Car Club Parking Spaces) (Amendment) Order 201(X) approve the 'car club' parking bays that were not subject to objections; overrule the objections received in relation to the proposed parking bay for Abergeldie Road; and to uphold the objections received in relation to the proposed parking bay for Leslie Road and instruct Officers to investigate the possibility of an alternative location.
- (c) in relation to The Aberdeen City Council (City Centre East, Aberdeen) (Traffic Management and Controlled Parking) Order 201(X), and The Aberdeen City Council (City Centre West, Aberdeen) (Traffic Management and Controlled

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Parking) Order 201(X), overrule the objections received and approve these orders be made as originally envisaged.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) approve recommendation (a);
- (ii) in relation to The Aberdeen City Council (On-Street Car Club Parking Spaces) (Amendment) Order 201(X), to approve the 'car club' parking bays that were not subject to objections; to defer consideration of the proposed parking bay for Abergeldie Road and that officers investigate the car club issues in that area, including alternative viable locations, to identify the demand and how it was assessed and outline the membership of the car club showing the percentage of businesses and residents; and to uphold the objections received in relation to the proposed parking bay for Leslie Road and instruct officers to investigate the possibility of an alternative location.
- (iii) in relation to The Aberdeen City Council (City Centre East, Aberdeen) (Traffic Management and Controlled Parking) Order 201(X), and The Aberdeen City Council (City Centre West, Aberdeen) (Traffic Management and Controlled Parking) Order 201(X), to retain Union Terrace (currently within Zone G) within the City Centre East Zone, Aberdeen and approve the remaining orders be made as originally envisaged.

MOTION BY COUNCILLOR THOMSON – CONSULTATION OVER APPLICATIONS TO REMOVE PROTECTED TREES – EPI/14/130

7. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure, which provided details on the six month trial period of notifying neighbours of applications to remove protected trees and covered the number of notices issued, the number of responses received and the workload impact of the initiative.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee discontinue the notification procedure as staff time being expended was disproportionate to any benefits that may result.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendation.

2013-14 REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING – EPI/14/129

8. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure, which outlined the current year revenue budget performance to date along with the forecast outturns for the services which relate to the Committee and advised on any areas of risk and management action.

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The report recommended:-

that the Committee -

- (a) note this report on the performance for the 2013/14 financial year and the reasons for the main variances from budget;
- (b) instruct that officers continue to review budget performance and report on service strategies as required to ensure a balanced budget;
- (c) note that the financial position being reported for the Directorate represents the near-actual position for 2013/14 and is still be subject to external audit adjustment.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to approve the recommendations; and
- (ii) to congratulate officers for their efforts in relation to the budget.

CAPITAL MONITORING - ENTERPRISE, PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS - EPI/13/134

9. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure, which provided an update on the capital spend in 2103/14 for the Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure projects included within the Non-Housing Capital Programme.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee note the 2013/14 position.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendation.

REVIEW OF SERVICE PERFORMANCE 2013-14 – EPI/14/133

10. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure, which provided an update on progress made with Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure towards achieving service aims and objectives during 2013/14.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee -

- (a) note the content of the report; and
- (b) instruct further action as appropriate

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendations.

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TWINNING AND INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS - EPI/14/112

11. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which sought approval of applications for financial assistance from the International Twinning Budget 2014/15.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee approve the following grants:-

- (a) £4,910 contribution towards the participation of Simunye, Simunye from Bulawayo at the Aberdeen International Youth Festival, July 24th – 4th August 2014;
- (b) £2,200 contribution towards the participation of a group from Clermont-Ferrand performing at Celebrate Aberdeen Weekend, 29th August - 1st September 2014;
- (c) £1,600 contribution towards the costs of sending three representatives from Aberdeen to conduct an exploratory visit of Mini-Regensburg, 4th - 8th August 2014; and
- (d) £1,500 contribution towards a reciprocal partnership between the Baker Hughes 10k and Regensburg Marathon (with option to participate in either the 10k, half-marathon or full marathon) which rewards the first city resident to complete the race with free entry, accommodation and travel to partnered event the following year.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendation.

HYDROGEN FUEL CELLS AND ELECTRO-MOBILITY IN EUROPEAN REGIONS (HYER) AND CONFERENCE OF PERIPHERAL MARITIME REGIONS (CPMR) ANNUAL MEETINGS AND EU FUNDING UPDATE – EPI/14/117

12. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which provided an update on EU funded projects and approval for future EU projects as well as an update on the North Sea Commission and the Covenant of Mayors.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) approves the travel for the Convenor of EP&I Committee and one Officer to attend the HyER AGM in Copenhagen, Denmark;
- (b) approves the request to nominate a member of the EP&I Committee to the HyER Board. Their role would be to support decision-making on the actions of HyER;
- (c) approves the travel for an Officer to attend the Fuel Cell Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (FCHJU) Communication Campaign workshop on the 23rd June, 2014 and to attend the FCHJU Info Day for New Call for Proposals on the 10th July, 2014, Brussels, Belgium;

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- (d) approves the travel for the Council Leader, or whom failing another elected member, and two officers to Umea, Sweden to attend the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CPMR) General Assembly Meeting;
- (e) approves the request to participate in the North Sea Region Programme project Digital Agenda for the North Sea: Orientation towards New Innovation (DANS ON) if the funding application is successful and approve officer travel for the project;
- (f) approves the participation of Aberdeen City Council in the Energy Technology Institute (ETI) and Heat Programme project;
- (g) nominates the Convener of Enterprise Planning and Infrastructure for the position of Vice President of North Sea Commission and approves associated travel costs for North Sea Commission work;
- (h) notes the success of the Aberdeen City Hydrogen Energy Storage (ACHES) project in drawing down £757,630.78 in external grant funding;
- (i) approves the request, subject to the approval by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services of the relevant documentation, for the Council to sign up to the Covenant of Mayors climate change adaptation initiative, Mayors Adapt and overseas travel that will be undertaken.

The committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendations.

INTERNATIONAL CENTRE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY EXCELLENCE WITH FOCUS ON RENEWABLE HYDROGEN – EPI/14/149

13. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which provided information on the discussions and work which is currently being undertaking between Aberdeen City Council and United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) to create an International Centre of Renewable Energy Excellence with focus on renewable hydrogen in Aberdeen City.

The report also sought approval to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreement with UNIDO.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) approves a MOU Agreement between Aberdeen City Council and UNIDO subject upon the terms being deemed acceptable by the Head of Legal;
- (b) approves the funding request of £150,000 to develop the needs assessment, project document and to execute the stakeholder consultations;
- (c) approve the continued discussions to create an International Centre for Renewable Energy Excellence with focus on renewable hydrogen in Aberdeen City. Updates will be given on a regular basis to Committee on the development of the Centre should it be approved; and
- (d) approves Officer overseas travel connected with UNIDO subject to all internal service procedures being followed.

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The committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendations.

STRATEGIC AND LOCAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS - EPI/14/049

14. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which provided details in relation to the progress of various strategic and local transportation projects within Aberdeen City and the wider area which flow from the development of the Regional Transport Strategy produced by Nestrans and the Council's own Local Transport Strategy.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee -

- (a) note the contents of the report; and
- (b) lend support to the Pedal for Scotland event in Aberdeen and instruct officers to facilitate the event through identifying and implementing any traffic management, diversions or restrictions deemed necessary for public safety within the Aberdeen City boundary, subject to the agreement of Aberdeenshire Council on those elements taking place within their boundary.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendations.

SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE – INFRASTRUCTURE AND DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS MANUAL – EPI/14/050

15. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which sought approval of Supplementary Guidance for Infrastructure and Developer Contributions for adoption as Supplementary Guidance to the Local Development Plan.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee approve Supplementary Guidance: Infrastructure and Developer Contributions Manual and agree that officers undertake the statutory process for adoption of supplementary guidance.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to approve the Supplementary Guidance: Infrastructure and Developer Contributions manual in conjunction with the consultation on the Local Development Plan and agree that officers undertake the statutory process for adoption of the supplementary guidance with the exception of the level of contribution for secondary school pupils being revised to £30,000 per pupil from £44,000 per pupil; and
- (ii) to receive a presentation on the formula calculation for pupil to household ratios.

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SCHOOL TRANSPORT PICK-UP AND DROP OFF PROCEDURE – EPI/14/063

16. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which provided details on the current School Transport pick up and drop off procedure for pupils at rural home locations and to seek approval for a revised policy to be implemented whereby pick up and drop off will be on public maintained roads/areas only.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee -

- (a) agree to implement the revised school transport pick up and drop off procedure for pupils residing at rural locations; and
- (b) ratify the pick up and drop off procedure for all other School Transport.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendations.

TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS AND HIGH HEDGE NOTICES – DELEGATED POWERS – EPI/14/122

17. With reference to article 16 of the minute of the previous meeting of 13th March 2014, the Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which provided information the requirements of new legislation (The High Hedges (Scotland) Act 2013) and sought approval that the Scheme of Delegation be updated in line with the recommendations detailed below in relation to Tree Preservation Orders & High Hedge Notices.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee approve that the Scheme of Delegation be updated by adding that the Head of Planning and Sustainable Development is authorised to:-

- (a) refuse applications for works to trees covered by Tree Preservation Orders; and
- (b) determine applications for the serving of a High Hedge notice; vary and revoke a High Hedge Notice and take enforcement action to ensure compliance with a High Hedge notice.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendation.

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ADOPTION OF SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE IN SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – COUNTESSWELLS DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK AND PHASE 1 MASTERPLAN – EPI/14/127

18. With reference to article 10 of the minute of the previous meeting of 13th March 2014, the Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which outlined the results of the Countesswells Development Framework and Phase 1 Masterplan consultation and presented a summary of the representations received, officers' responses to these representations and details of resulting action from this.

The Committee heard Councillor Delaney as adjoining ward member commend the internal layout of the Plan, however he advised that he had concerns in relation to the potential increase in traffic and car journeys. He explained that up to 1700 vehicles would progress to the Lang Stracht which would be exasperated further with the Maidenraig Development. He suggested that consideration should be given to installing a signalised junction and removal of the tight corner. He sought the Committee's approval to defer consideration of the application to obtain further information on the traffic impact.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) note the representations received on the draft Countesswells Development Framework and Phase 1 Masterplan Supplementary Guidance document;
- (b) approve Appendix 1, which includes officers' responses to representations received and any necessary actions; and
- (c) agree for officers to send the requested finalised Supplementary Guidance document to be ratified by the Scottish Government.

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

that the Committee approve the recommendations contained within the report.

Councillor Yuill, seconded by Councillor Thomson moved as an amendment:-

that the Committee defer consideration of the report until a full analysis of the traffic impact is submitted.

On a division, there voted:- for the motion (13) – the Convener, the Vice-Convener and Councillors Corall, Cormie, Dixon, Dunbar, Finlayson, Jaffrey, Malik, Jean Morrison MBE, Nathan Morrison, Noble and Young; for the amendment (2) – Councillors Thomson and Yuill.

The Committee resolved:-

to adopt the motion.

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ADOPTION OF SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE IN SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN - NEWHILLS DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK - EPI/14/128

19. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which provided an update on the current position of the Newhills Development Framework and agree what is required prior to its adoption as Supplementary Guidance.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee -

- (a) approve the Newhills Development Framework in principle, subject to the completion of an agreed delivery programme;
- (b) instruct officers to ensure that the delivery programme includes detailed information on points 1 to 4 in paragraph 5.7 of this report, to the satisfaction of the Planning and Sustainable Development Service, prior to the document being reported back to this committee; and
- (c) agree that the consultation results and the points covered under recommendations a) and b) are reported back to the 4 September 2014, Enterprise, Strategic Planning and Infrastructure Committee with the intention to approve the document as Supplementary Guidance.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendations

VARIOUS SMALL SCALE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATED PROPOSALS (NEW WORKS) - EPI/14/52

20. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure relating to various small scale traffic management measures identified by officers, residents, local members, emergency services, etc and verified as necessary through surveys by officers. The report also outlined proposals associated with new developments as part of the development management process. Finally, the report included proposals for individual parking spaces for Blue Badge holders which now require to be progressed through the normal legal process for the required Traffic Regulation Order.

The report related to proposals at the following locations in the city:-

- Proposals to be Funded from Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets budget –
Cairnview Crescent/Rosehill Drive/Cairncry Road;
Coronation Road/North Deeside Road;
Dyce Drive;
Kirkhill Road;
Marischal Street;
Provost Rust Drive;
Sacred Heart Church, Glenbervie Road;
Station Brae, Peterculter;

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- Rose Street;
- Elm Place;
- Hamilton Lane.
- Proposals Relating to Bus Journey Improvements –
Guild Street;
Hutcheon Street;
- Proposals to be funded by the Developer –
Auchinyell Road;
Broomhill Road;
Elmbank Terrace;
Farburn Terrace
The Grande, Palmerston Road;
The Grande, Raik Road/Poynerook Road;
Station Road, Bucksburn;
Ardene Veterinary Practice, Kingswells;
Mosque, Nelson Street;
Balmoral Business Park, Wellington Road.
- Proposals to be funded from the Disabled Parking Revenue budget -
Various On-Street Parking (67 spaces);

The report recommended:-

that the Committee -

- (a) approve the proposals in principle;
- (b) instruct the appropriate officers to commence the necessary legal procedures of preliminary statutory consultation for the traffic regulation orders required as described in this report. If no significant objections are received, then progress with the public advertisement and report the results to a future meeting of this Committee; and
- (c) instruct the appropriate officers to commence the combined statutory consultation for the traffic regulation order for the list of Blue Badge parking spaces and report back to a future meeting of this Committee.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendations.

PROPOSED CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROPOSALS (PALMERSTON AREA) – EPI/14/055

21. With reference to article 32 of the minute of the meeting of 11 September 2012, the Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure on the proposed road layout amendments and traffic management proposals within the Palmerston area including the proposed introduction of a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ).

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The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) note the proposed road layout amendments and traffic management proposals;
- (b) incorporate the recommendations for future developments to implement the proposed alterations through the planning process;
- (c) instruct officers to complete the detailed design, establish detailed cost estimates for the traffic management proposals, changes to the parking layouts and introduction of a phased CPZ. Develop a business case for the CPZ and report the results to a future committee before seeking funding from the Finance and Resources Committee;
- (d) instruct officers to progress the staged approach to amend the existing road layout. Traffic Management proposals and introduction of the CPZ;
- (e) instruct officers to commence the necessary legal procedures of preliminary statutory consultation for the traffic regulation orders required as described in this report for “The Grande” development (Stage 1) If no significant objections are received, then progress with the public advertisement and report the results to a future meeting of this Committee.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendations.

WINTER MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS 2013/14 – EPI/14/067

22. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which provided an overview of the strategy that the roads operations operated throughout the City during the winter of 2013/14.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) note the contents of the report;
- (b) instruct officers to continue with the benchmarking of other similar urban authorities winter services both in terms of operation and cost;
- (c) instruct officers to incorporate where appropriate, within the Winter Services Plan for 2014-2015, those recommendations in Section 13 of the Well Maintained Highways and any other relevant documents produced not already in the Winter Service Plan 2013-2014; and
- (d) instruct officers to report back to Committee in September 2014 with the updated Winter Services Plan.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to approve the recommendations; and
- (ii) to thank staff for the work they had carried out during the winter season.

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**STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY OF NON GALVANISED STREET LIGHTING COLUMNS
– EPI/14/109**

23. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which provided an overview of the implications arising from recent Structural Integrity Testing of Non Galvanised Street Lighting Columns.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) note the contents of this report;
- (b) instruct officers to continue with the testing of a further 4,469 columns identified as being at risk over the next 4 years and report back annually on the findings of the completed testing;
- (c) note that £2,000,000 of capital funding may be required, over the next 5 years, to renew the lighting columns which are expected to be identified for replacement by further testing;
- (d) instruct Roads Officers to relocate funding from this years Roads Capital Budget, approved at Enterprise, Strategic Planning and Infrastructure Committee in March 2014, to manage replacement programme; and
- (e) note the detrimental effect that recommendation d) will have on other areas of work presently carried out under the Roads Capital Budget.

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

that the Committee:-

- (1) note the content of the report;
- (2) instruct officers to continue with the testing of a further 4,469 columns identified as being at risk over the next 4 years and report back annually on the findings of the completed testing;
- (3) note that £2,000,000 of capital funding may be required over the next 5 years to renew the lighting columns which are expected to be identified for replacement by further testing;
- (4) instruct officers, as part of the ongoing monitoring of the overall capital programme to identify opportunities to vire monies from underspends on other projects within Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure in this current financial year to fund street lighting replacement with any spending being managed as part of the overall 5 year capital programme up to a maximum of £1million in the current financial year; and
- (5) request that officers ensure that budgeted expenditure on carriageway improvements, whether it be repairs to safety defects or to planned surface replacement, be maintained at budgeted 2014/15 levels.

Councillor Yuill moved as an amendment that the Committee approve the terms of the motion but with the addition it they refer the report to the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee to request that it consider funding street lighting columns from any corporate capital or revenue budget underspend this year.

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Councillor Yuill did not receive a seconder, therefore in terms of Standing Order 12(6), the amendment fell.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to approve the revised recommendations as outlined above; and
- (ii) to request that officers investigate the street lighting issues in Victoria Street, Aberdeen and liaise with Councillor Cormie in this regard.

REVIEW OF CHARGES FOR STREET OCCUPATION – EPI/14/120

24. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which provided details of the review of existing Charges for Street Occupations covered by the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 and the New Roads and Street works Act 1991.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee note the charges detailed in the report and that these be applied from 01 August, 2014

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendation.

UNION TERRACE/ROSEMOUNT VIADUCT – PROPOSED REMOVAL OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSING – EPI/14/115

25. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which proposed the removal of the Pelican crossing facility at the junction of Union Terrace/Rosemount Viaduct.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee agree to the removal of the traffic light crossing facility at the slip road from Rosemount Viaduct to Union Terrace.

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

that the recommendation contained within the report be approved.

Councillor Cormie, seconded by Councillor Yuill moved as an amendment:-

that the Committee take no action in relation to the proposal to remove the pedestrian crossing.

On a division, there voted – for the motion (8) – the Convener, the Vice-Convener and Councillors Dunbar, Malik, Jean Morrison MBE, Nathan Morrison, Thomson and Young; for the amendment (7) – Councillors Corall, Cormie, Dixon, Finlayson, Jaffrey, Noble and Yuill.

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The Committee resolved:-

to adopt the motion.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS STATEMENT

26. The Committee had before it a statement of pending and outstanding Committee Business, which had been prepared by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to delete item 3 (South Aberdeen Coastal Regeneration Project – Programme Development) and item 7 (Bus Shelter Advertising Contract) from the statement; and
- (ii) to otherwise note the updates provided within the business statement.

MOTIONS LIST

27. The Committee had before it a statement of outstanding motions under the Committee's remit which had been prepared by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services.

The Committee resolved:-

to delete item 1 (Notice of Motion by Councillor Thomson (Consultations over Applications to Remove Protected Trees)) from the motions list.

In accordance with the decision recorded under article 2 of this minute, the following item of business was considered with the press and public excluded.

ADVERTISING BUS SHELTER TENDER – EPI/14/064

28. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure which sought approval to tender and implement a coordinated and updated contract for bus shelter advertising and associated street furniture provision to fund installation of bus shelters, for implementation in February 2016 when the existing contract expires.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee -

- (a) approve the commencement of the procurement process for retendering of the contract for advertising bus shelters;
- (b) approve procurement of an external consultant to assist in the preparation of the tender specification; and

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- (c) instruct officers to report back to Committee with details of a preferred bidder for approval in Autumn 2015.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendations.

COUNCILLOR BARNEY CROCKETT, Convener.

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