

FINANCE, POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

30 SEPTEMBER 2014

Please note that this statement contains a note of every report which has been instructed for submission to this Committee. All other actions which have been instructed by the Committee are not included, as they are deemed to be operational matters after the point of committee decision. Where a report instructed requires no decision to be made this will be reported in the Committee's information bulletin.

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1.	Finance and Resources 25/4/13 article 21	<p><u>Joint Commissioning Strategy for Older People 2013-2023 - Financial Framework</u></p> <p>The Committee resolved amongst other things to agree to receive a report on the baseline integrated budget, once the work on this was completed</p>	<p>The Committee received a verbal update at its meeting on 5 December 2013.</p> <p>There has been no development in defining the financial resource for older people's services from the NHS. As a universal service, much of the spend on older people is within generic budgets and cannot be easily disaggregated. Whilst this was to be done in preparation for integration, the legal position has changed in that integration now applies to all adult services and not just to older people. The exact scope of the NHS services to be included is still be defined in the light of the Draft Regulations on which partnerships have just been consulted. This will determine the NHS budget for integration. The scope of services</p>	Head of Older People and Rehabilitation	26/9/13	30/09/14

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			<p>and the integrated budget will be defined in the Integration Scheme, which will be approved by Council and NHS before going to Scottish Ministers prior to 1 April 2015. In 2015, the Integration Joint Board will also be required to produce and submit a Strategic Plan that will define plans for services and use of budgets.</p> <p>On this basis, this item is recommended for removal.</p>			
2.	Finance, Policy and Resources 26/09/13 Article 19	<p><u>Failure To Attend Work Due To Bad Weather</u></p> <p>The Committee resolved, amongst other things, to instruct officers to report back to the Committee on the guidance in one year.</p>	A report is on the agenda.	Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development	30/9/14	30/0914
3.	Finance and Resources 28/09/10 Article 24 Finance, Policy and Resources 26/09/13 Article 33	<p><u>Access from the North Proposals (Third River Don Crossing) - Compulsory Purchase Order</u></p> <p>The Committee resolved: to note that officers would provide regular updates to Committee in relation to progress with land acquisition against budget.</p> <p>At its meeting on 26 September 2013, the Committee resolved, amongst other things, to</p>		Head of Asset Management and Operations	5/12/13	

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		notwithstanding the progress report being submitted to the next meeting of the Committee, to instruct officers to bring forward the determination of the land tribunal decision to the Council or this Committee, whichever was sooner.				
4.	Finance, Policy and Resources 5/12/13 Article 23	<p><u>Haudagain Upgrade (Middlefield) Update</u></p> <p>The Committee resolved, amongst other things,</p> <p>(i) instruct officers to proceed with the project subject to negotiating acceptable financial guarantees from the Scottish Government or one of its agencies by 30 April 2014, in order for a report to come forward to this Committee on 6 May 2014; and</p> <p>(ii) instruct officers to prepare a report for the Committee's meeting on the 6 May 2014, outlining proposals including where appropriate costs for the regeneration of Middlefield without the proposed Haudagain improvements should the Scottish Government or one of its agencies refuse to commit to providing the Council with acceptable financial guarantees</p>	<p>At its meeting on 6 May 2014, the Committee resolved, amongst other things,</p> <p>(i) to instruct the Directors of Housing and Environment and Corporate Governance to report back to the Committee in September 2014 with a feasibility study and proposals to re-house the directly affected tenants in Middlefield and to regenerate the wider Middlefield Area. This should include proposals to relocate affected community facilities;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Directors of Housing and Environment and Corporate Governance, to report back to this Committee in September 2014 with potential funding solutions for the new build and regeneration proposals, noting that this Council has previously expressed the</p>	Head of Regeneration and Housing Investment	30/09/14	

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		as requested.	<p>view that the Scottish Government should meet the cost of relocating the affected community facilities. The Scottish Government should also be asked to consider what additional financial support could be given to the new build and regeneration proposals for Middlefield; and</p> <p>(iii) to instruct officers to consult with the residents of Middlefield on new housing and regeneration matters and that the results of the consultation be reported back to this Committee in September 2014.</p> <p>A report is on the agenda.</p>			
5.	Council Budget Meeting 6/2/14	<p><u>General Fund Revenue Budget 14/15</u></p> <p>Council resolved, amongst other things to instruct all Directors to report back regarding strategic procurement and how a reduction of approximately £1.5million could be achieved in contract pricing.</p>	<p>Information is contained in the Council Revenue Fund report on today's agenda.</p>	All Directors/Procurement	19/6/14	30/09/14

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6.	Property Sub Committee 24/9/13 article 14	<p><u>Station House Community Centre</u></p> <p>The Sub Committee agreed to authorise officers to negotiate a temporary License to Occupy in favour of the Station House Media Unit, in the meantime to run on a month to month basis, with a report being brought back before the Sub Committee as soon as arrangements for the future of the occupation and control of the building had been agreed.</p>	<p>Negotiations are ongoing in terms of the long term future of the property. A temporary license is in place with SHMU.</p> <p>Future arrangements for the disposal, either by lease or Community Asset Transfer (CAT) are still in discussion. Work on the policy of CAT is still underway.</p> <p>A report on the Station House Community Centre will be reported at a future date.</p>	Head of Asset Management and Operations	4/12/14	4/12/14
7.	Finance, Policy and Resources 6/5/14 Article 19	<p><u>Geographical Weighting Allowance</u></p> <p>The Committee resolved:</p> <p>(i) to instruct that the Director of Corporate Governance (or appropriate representative) participates on behalf of the Council in a pan-public sector group which is to be established to consider the feasibility of introducing a weighting allowance and to report back on the outcomes to a future Finance, Policy and Resources Committee; and</p> <p>(ii) to note that a major problem that the city had in relation to the cost of living was the price of housing and to instruct officers to</p>	The North east group has met and has asked IDS to submit a proposal detailing how they would prepare a report on the issue which would include a recommendation on a level of allowance. A report will be submitted once progress has been made.	Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development	04/12/14	04/12/14

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		consider, with its public sector partners, if the delivery of more affordable housing might have greater benefit for employees and employers, in both public and private sectors, than the introduction of an Aberdeen weighting allowance.				
8.	Finance, Policy and Resources 6/5/14 Article 22	<p><u>Festive Period</u></p> <p>The Committee resolved, amongst other things, to instruct officers to work with Aberdeen Inspired to maximise the festive experience within the city centre for residents and visitors to Aberdeen and to report back to the next meeting of the Committee with a detailed joint vision for the festive period, including any financial commitments required to enhance the city's reputation as a place to invest, live and visit.</p>	Aberdeen Inspired, in consultation with Council officers, is developing the winter festival programme and this will be available in October and circulated to all members for information, by email, at this time. Aberdeen Inspired have confirmed that no further financial contribution from the Council is required. On this basis, the item is recommended for removal.	City Promotions Manager	19/6/14	30/09/14
9.	Finance, Policy and Resources 6/5/14 Article 24	<p><u>Aberdeen-Japan Strategy</u></p> <p>The Committee resolved to note the update and accept a further update to Committee on 19 June, with the findings of the final study being reported to Committee on 30 September, 2014.</p>	Due to lack of interest (zero submissions received by the original deadline of 27 June) we have re-issued and re-promoted the opportunity to commission an external consultant to produce an Aberdeen Japan Strategy. The new deadline for submissions is 21 July. Assuming there is a successful bid, given the delay in starting the work, it is likely that the report to 30 September Committee will only be interim	Economic Business Development	30/09/14	30/09/14

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			<p>findings, with a final report brought forward to the following cycle.</p> <p>Following two unsuccessful rounds, officers are now updating, simplifying and re-circulating the Invitation to Quote for an Aberdeen Japan Strategy in order to try and secure a successful bid from an external specialist, as per the original Committee instruction. Subject to receipt of a successful bid, officers hope to be able to report on findings from the study to the December Committee.</p>			
10	Finance, Policy and Resources 6/5/14 Article 27	<p><u>Review of Access to Leisure Scheme</u></p> <p>The Committee resolved, amongst other things, to approve the policy recommendations as set out in the report, subject to a further report on the proposed implementation of the changes being considered by the Committee.</p>	Work on the proposed implementation of the changes is ongoing and will be reported to the Committee in December 2014.	Communities, Culture and Sport	30/09/14	4/12/14
11	Finance, Policy and Resources 19/6/14 Article 12	<p><u>Art Gallery Redevelopment Programme - Procurement of the Construction Works</u></p> <p>The Committee resolved, amongst other things, to instruct officers to submit a report to the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee and the Education, Culture and Sport Committee, in six months,</p>		Communities, Culture and Sport	4/12/14	

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		advising on progress with the public and philanthropic fundraising campaign to raise £10m towards the redevelopment.				