

FINANCE, POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

**Meeting of
4 December, 2014**

BUSINESS RATES APPEALS SUB COMMITTEE (CG/14/165)

23. The Committee had before it a report by the Acting Director of Corporate Governance which sought approval to establish a body to hear appeals against rating liability under section 238 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1947. An appeal has now been received and must be considered.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) establish a small Business Rates Appeals Sub Committee comprising five members and that arrangements are made to hear the current appeal;
- (b) agree that training be provided to the nominated members and possible substitutes prior to the hearing of the appeal;
- (c) agree that the Senior Democratic Services Manager be appointed clerk to the sub committee and be authorised to delegate in writing the day to day operation of the sub committee to a Committee Services Officer in his team; and
- (d) agree that the procedure appended to the report for the making and hearing of appeals be adopted.

The Committee resolved:-

to note the report and to refer it to Council to establish the Business Rates Appeals Sub Committee.