

**COUNCIL**

**BUSINESS STATEMENT**

**16 DECEMBER 2015**

Please note that this statement contains a note of every report which has been instructed for submission to Council. All other actions which have been instructed by the Council are not included, as they are deemed to be operational matters after the point of decision.

**Reports which are overdue are shaded**

<u>No.</u>	<u>Minute Reference</u>	<u>Council/Committee Decision</u>	<u>Update</u>	<u>Lead Officer(s)</u>	<u>Report Due</u>
1.	Council 05.03.14 Article 21	<p><b><u>Broad Street Civic Square Assessment</u></b></p> <p>The Council, amongst other things, resolved (1) to agree that option C - full pedestrianisation of Broad Street between Upperkirkgate and Queen Street - best meets the objectives of the project and acknowledge that this option is reliant on additional traffic management measures; (2) to instruct officers to report back on the details of the draft Traffic Regulation Order within six months; and (3) to instruct officers to also report back within six months on the outcomes of the future year traffic and air quality model testing for 2023; and (4) to instruct officers to investigate the feasibility of reopening the Castlegate to traffic and opening Queen Street at the junction of West North Street and include their findings in the above report, and enter into discussions with Muse Developments with regard to maximising views of Provost Skene's House from Broad Street.</p>	<p>At its meeting of 8 October 2014, the Council approved the planning application for Marischal Square and noted that the proposal to pedestrianise Broad Street was not being considered as part of the determination of the application. Officers are continuing to investigate options, including appropriate traffic modelling, for creating a more user-friendly pedestrian environment to form a civic space on Broad Street in advance of the pedestrianisation of Union Street. That work is being carried out in tandem with the development of the city centre masterplan and development framework.</p> <p>At the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee on 15 September 2015 the Committee instructed officers to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to undertake transport modelling taking into account the transport implications associated with Broad Street and</li> </ul>	Director of Communities, Housing and Infrastructure	<b>20.08.14</b>

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			<p>Schoolhill/Upperkirkgate and to consider the implications on areas such as Castlegate, Schoolhill Pocket Park, Queen Street, Golden Square and Bon Accord Square and report its findings to the Council in December 2015; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to report back to the Communities Housing and Infrastructure Committee in March 2016 with the results of the city centre wide traffic modelling and interventions</li> </ul> <p>Officers have commenced modelling and testing of options for the various locations identified by the committee and are on track to meet the deadlines for reporting to the Council meeting in December as per the instruction.</p> <p>A report is listed to follow on the agenda.</p>		
2.	Council 24.06.15 Article 21	<p><b><u>Broadford Works</u></b></p> <p>The Council noted the content of the report and agreed that officers report back to a future meeting on any further action that may be required.</p>		Director of Communities, Housing and Infrastructure	To be confirmed

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3.	Council 31.10.13 Article 17	<b><u>Community Planning Aberdeen - Development Plan</u></b>  The Council agreed to receive six monthly updates on progress with the implementation of the Development Plan.	The Council received the last six month progress report on 24 June 2015.  A report is on the agenda.	Director of Communities, Housing and Infrastructure	16.12.15
4.	Finance and Resources 12.11.09 Article 22	<b><u>Community Planning Partnership - Fairer Aberdeen Fund</u></b>  The Finance and Resources Committee instructed the Director of Corporate Governance to provide twice yearly updates in February and October to the Aberdeen City Alliance (now Community Planning Aberdeen) and the Corporate Policy and Performance Committee on the outcomes achieved through the investment of the Fairer Scotland Fund (now Fairer Aberdeen Fund).	The Council received the last six month progress report on 24 June 2015.  A report is on the agenda.	Director of Communities, Housing and Infrastructure	16.12.15
5.	Council 08.10.14 Article 13	<b><u>Standing Orders on Contracts and Procurement</u></b>  The Council noted that legislation which would require to be reflected in revisions to the Standing Orders on Contracts and Procurement was expected during 2015 and that a report would be submitted thereafter.		Director of Corporate Governance	02.03.16

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6.	Council 19.08.15 Article 17	<b><u>Corporate Parenting</u></b>  The Council instructed officers to report back on the implementation and review of the policy to Council in 2016.		Director of Education and Children's Services	17.08.16
7.	Council 08.10.15 Article 15	<b><u>Director of Corporate Governance</u></b>  The Council approved that the Chief Executive make all necessary arrangements to engage the services of an Interim Director of Corporate Governance, and agreed that the Chief Executive report to Council during autumn 2016 on options for the recruitment to the permanent post of Director of Corporate Governance		Chief Executive	06.10.16
8.	Council 24.06.15 Article 13	<b><u>Local Authority Community Covenant</u></b>  The Council agreed to receive a report at a future meeting once the Scottish Government had reviewed the Scottish Veterans Commissioner's report <i>Transition in Scotland</i> and decided how it wishes to take its recommendations forward.		Chief Executive	Upon review by the Scottish Government
9.	Council 08.10.15	<b><u>Strategic Mixed Tenure Housing for Aberdeen City - Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)</u></b>  The Council noted that a progress report would be brought back to Council within six months after the establishment of the LLP.	The Council is required to confirm the three members (2 Administration, 1 opposition) to be the Council's representatives on the LLP Management Board.	Director of Communities, Housing and Infrastructure	Date to be advised

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10.	Council 06.03.13 Article 16	<p><b><u>Welfare Reform</u></b></p> <p>The Council, amongst other things, approved the steps taken by officers to develop a policy and practice response and agreed to receive further reports in due course as measures were implemented.</p>	<p>The Scottish Welfare Fund has been successfully introduced and is operating well and meeting deadlines for decisions. Further changes to welfare reform are planned for later this year. The Hub joint project with the DWP is now open and being developed further over the coming weeks. Agreement has been reached with The Citizens Advice Bureau regarding the basis for a service level agreement. Claims for discretionary housing payments continue to be processed within the agreed scheme. The Financial Inclusion Manager has been appointed and took up his post on July 2013.</p> <p>A progress report was noted by the Council on 21 August 2013. A further report was contained within the Information Bulletin for the Council meeting on 14 May 2014.</p> <p>An update was expected to be provided at the end of the 2014/15 financial year.</p> <p>A report is due to be contained in the information bulletin.</p>	Director of Communities, Housing and Infrastructure	As and when required