

## CAPITAL PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

ABERDEEN, 23 September 2020. Minute of Meeting of the CAPITAL PROGRAMME COMMITTEE. Present:- Councillor Boulton, Convener; Councillor Lumsden, Vice-Convener; and Councillors Graham, Laing, MacKenzie, McLellan, McRae, Audrey Nicoll and Yuill.

### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

1. Members were requested to intimate any declarations of interest in respect of the items on the agenda.

#### **The Committee resolved:-**

to note that no declarations of interest were intimated.

### MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING OF 22 JANUARY 2020 FOR APPROVAL

2. The Committee had before it the minute of its previous meeting of 22 January 2020.

#### **The Committee resolved:-**

- (i) in relation to item 6, resolution (i) to note that the Director of Resources would confirm via email whether a meeting with the Torry Locality Partnership had taken place; and
- (ii) to otherwise approve the minute as a correct record.

### COMMITTEE PLANNER

3. The Committee had before it the Committee Business Planner as prepared by the Chief Officer – Governance.

#### **The Committee resolved:-**

- (i) to request the Clerk to re-issue the business planner ensuring all text was readable;
- (ii) in relation to the Torry Heat Network project, to note that the delay was due to confirmation awaited from the Scottish Government on the grant funding that had been offered in principle and that the Director of Resources would liaise with the Scottish Government to determine the reason for the delay; and
- (ii) to otherwise note the content of the business planner.

### COVID19 PANDEMIC IMPACT ON THE CAPITAL PROGRAMME - RES/20/134

4. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Resources which outlined the COVID-19 pandemic implications for all projects within the Capital Programme which

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included the impact on current projects under construction and those at the early stages of evolution.

### **The report recommended:-**

That the Committee –

- (a) note in general terms the reasoning why individual project delay and additional costs are expected, across the delivery of capital projects in terms of their full project life cycle;
- (b) note that officers continued to work with contractors on the financial implications of the programme delay and implications for future works, as a result of the COVID-19 virus requiring changing work practices across the full programme of projects;
- (c) to note the implications of what this means for future consideration within project Outline Business Cases of any new projects;
- (d) to note the actions which Officers are carrying out to mitigate the expected impacts; and
- (e) to instruct the Chief Officer Capital to report any significant progress, in regard to the above, for each Capital Project reported to the Capital Programme Committee.

### **The Committee resolved:-**

to approve the recommendations contained in the report.

## **NEW HOUSING PROGRAMME DELIVERY UPDATE - RES/20/132**

5. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Resources which provided an update on the progress of works being undertaken as part of Aberdeen City Council's directly delivered new build Council housing sites and developer led schemes to meet the political commitment of 2000 new homes.

### **The report recommended:-**

That the Committee note the progress achieved in the delivery of the social housing programme.

### **The Committee resolved:-**

- (i) to request the Director of Resources to circulate via email a response relating to the comparison figures between the Council and other Local Authorities for house building; and
- (ii) to otherwise approve the recommendation contained in the report.

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### **SUMMERHILL NEW BUILD HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT - RES/20/131**

6. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Resources which provided an update on the progress of works being undertaken at Summerhill new build Council housing project.

**The report recommended:-**

That the Committee note the progress achieved in the housing project at Summerhill.

**The Committee resolved:-**

to approve the recommendation contained in the report.

### **WELLHEADS ROAD NEW BUILD HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT - RES/20/130**

7. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Resources which provided an update on the progress of the Wellheads Road new build Council housing project.

**The report recommended:-**

That the Committee note the progress achieved in the procurement of new build Council housing project at Wellheads Road.

**The Committee resolved:-**

to approve the recommendation contained in the report.

### **ELC PROGRAMME PROGRESS REPORT - RES/20/133**

8. The Committee had before it a report by the Director of Resources which provided an update on the progress of the ELC Capital Projects which would help meet Aberdeen City Council's Early Learning and Childcare Delivery Plan objectives by working with the Education Operations teams to help meet the Councils commitment to expand funded early learning and childcare from 600 hours to 1,140 hours by 2020.

**The report recommended:-**

That the Committee –

- (a) to note the updated figure of £1.1m for the Tillydrone Nursery Project under the budget variation column;
- (b) to note that the Early Learning and Childcare Expansion Programme of works forms part of the overall Aberdeen City Council Capital Plan; and
- (c) to note the progress made with the overall delivery of projects in lieu of the Covid-19 pandemic impact.

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**The Committee resolved:-**

to approve the recommendations contained in the report.

**CAPITAL PROGRAMME COMMITTEE ANNUAL EFFECTIVENESS REPORT -  
COM/20/123**

9. The Committee had before it a report by the Chief Officer – Governance which presented the annual report of the Capital Programme Committee.

**The report recommended:-**

That the Committee –

- (a) provide comments and observations on the data contained within the annual report; and
- (b) note the annual report of the Capital Programme Committee.

**The Committee resolved:-**

- (i) to note that the last entry in the table at 6.7 within the Appendix would be updated to include the following information, missed from the report circulated:
  - Meeting every four weeks with Chief Officer of Capital, Chief Officer Corporate Landlord and Director of Resources
  - Weekly meetings with Conveners of Strategic Commissioning Committee and City Growth and Resources Committee; and
- (ii) to otherwise note the annual report of the Capital Programme Committee.

- **MARIE BOULTON, Convener**