

Minutes of

Glasgow City Council

2023/24 – Print 6

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MINUTES

OF

GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL.

Glasgow, 7th December 2023.

Hybrid meeting, Glasgow City Council.

Present: The Lord Provost, Jacqueline McLaren (Chair).

SAQIB AHMED	STEPHEN DOCHERTY	NORMAN MacLEOD
SUSAN AITKEN	LAURA DOHERTY	ELAINE McSPORRAN
IMRAN ALAM	STEPHEN DORNAN	ANNE McTAGGART
BLAIR ANDERSON	PATRICIA FERGUSON	HANZALA MALIK
KEN ANDREW	SEAN FERGUSON	CHRISTY MEARNS
ALEXANDER BELIC	ELAINE GALLAGHER	ANGUS MILLAR
RICHARD BELL	ZEN GHANI	MALCOLM MITCHELL
DECLAN BLENCH	ALLAN GOW	JON MOLYNEUX
EVA BOLANDER	WILLIAM GRAHAM	MARGARET MORGAN
ABDUL BOSTANI	SHARON GREER	EVA MURRAY
PHILIP BRAAT	GREG HEPBURN	CECILIA O'LONE
JILL BROWN	FIONA HIGGINS	KEIRAN O'NEILL
HOLLY BRUCE	RASHID HUSSAIN	JILL PIDGEON
MAUREEN BURKE	DAN HUTCHISON	LINDA PIKE
BILL BUTLER	FYEZA IKHLAQ	HANIF RAJA
GRAHAM CAMPBELL	EUNIS JASSEMI	THOMAS RANNACHAN
CHRISTINA CANNON	ANN JENKINS	GEORGE REDMOND
PAUL CAREY	LILITH JOHNSTONE	LANA REID-MCCONNELL
JOHN CARSON	RUAIRI KELLY	ROZA SALIH
ANTHONY CARROLL	ALEX KERR	FRANNY SCALLY
ALLAN CASEY	MATT KERR	JAMES SCANLON
ANNETTE CHRISTIE	THOMAS KERR	SORYIA SIDDIQUE
CHRIS CUNNINGHAM	KEVIN LALLEY	KIERAN TURNER
STEPHEN CURRAN	PAUL LEINSTER	CATHERINE VALLIS
FEARGAL DALTON	PAUL MCCABE	MARTHA WARDROP
JOHN DALY	ELAINE McDOUGALL	ALEX WILSON
AUDREY DEMPSEY	KENNY McLEAN	

LORD DEAN OF GUILD

Apology: Leòdhas Massie.

Attending: M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; A O'Donnell, Chief Executive; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services;

I Robertson, Director of City Development; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; and A Eccles (for the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership).

Death of former Councillor Stuart McQuarrie.

1 The Lord Provost referred to the recent death of former Councillor Stuart McQuarrie and extended the House's condolences to his family. The House stood in silence as a mark of respect.

Minutes approved.

2 The minutes of the Council meeting of 26th October 2023 (Print 5, pages 1 to 26) were submitted and approved.

Minutes of committees submitted and approved.

3 The minutes of the undernoted committees were submitted and approved:-

(1) City Administration Committee of 12th October and 2nd and 16th November 2023 (Print 5, pages 27 to 40);

(2) City Policy Committees

(a) Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration of 14th November 2023 (Print 5, pages 41 to 50);

(b) Education, Skills and Early Years of 16th November 2023 (Print 5, pages 51 to 56);

(c) Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods of 21st November 2023 (Print 5, pages 57 to 64);

(d) Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring of 7th November 2023 (Print 5, pages 65 to 70); and

(e) Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement of 9th November 2023 (Print 5, pages 71 to 76);

(3) Contracts and Property Committee of 2nd and 23rd November 2023 (Print 5, pages 77 to 90);

(4) Emergency Committee of 12 October 2023 (Print 5, pages 91 to 94);

(5) Licensing and Regulatory Committee of 11th October, 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd November 2023 (Print 5, pages 95 to 114);

(6) Personnel Appeals Committee of 10th, 17th and 24th October and 1st, 7th, 22nd and 23rd November 2023 (Print 5, pages 115 to 128);

(7) Planning Applications Committee of 10th and 31st October 2023 (Print 5, pages 129 to 132);

(8) Planning Local Review Committee of 24th October and 7th and 21st November 2023 (Print 5, pages 133 to 138);

(9) Scrutiny Committees

(a) Finance and Audit of 1st November 2023 (Print 5, pages 139 to 142); and

(b) Operational Performance and Delivery of 11th October and 15th November 2023 (Print 5, pages 143 to 150); and

(10) Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee of 22nd November 2023 (Print 5, pages 151 to 153).

Twinning agreement with Mykolaiv, Ukraine – Proposals approved.

4 There was submitted a report by Councillor Greg Hepburn, Business Manager and City Convener for Open Government regarding discussions with the city of Mykolaiv, Ukraine around a proposed twinning agreement between Mykolaiv and Glasgow, advising

(1) that the City Administration Committee on 24th February 2022 (Print 7, page 504) had agreed to suspend the twinning relationship with Rostov-On-Don and to progress options for a twinning relationship with a Ukrainian city;

(2) of the process undertaken to identify Mykolaiv as a good fit for Glasgow due to their shared history as great shipbuilding cities;

(3) of a letter to the Mayor of Mykolaiv to explore the potential of a twinning partnership with Glasgow and subsequent response, as detailed in the appendices to the report; and

(4) of a draft Memorandum of Understanding which outlined some potential areas of co-operation between both cities, as detailed in appendix 3 to the report.

After consideration, the Council agreed

(a) that Mykolaiv and Glasgow become Twin Cities; and

(b) to progress signing the Memorandum of Understanding and invite representatives of Mykolaiv to attend a signing ceremony in Glasgow.

Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee – Terms of Reference approved.

5 There was submitted and approved an amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee, as follows

"8 To be responsible for governance arrangements including regulatory compliance, management of risks (including cyber security risk), establishing and operating internal controls, and implementation of audit recommendations."

Changes to committees etc approved.

6 The Council approved the following appointments and changes to committees:-

Committee etc.	*Appointment*
Bailie	Appoint Soryia Siddique as Bailie in place of Sharon Greer
Contracts and Property Committee	Remove Jon Molyneux and appoint Dan Hutchison
Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee	Remove Jon Molyneux and appoint Anthony Carroll
Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee	Remove Ann Jenkins and appoint Jill Pidgeon
Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee	Remove Lana Reid-McConnell and appoint Elaine Gallagher

Appointments and representation on outside bodies approved.

7 The Council approved the following appointments and changes to its representation on outside bodies:-

Organisation	*Appointment*
Dean of Guild Trust	Remove Patricia Ferguson and appoint Philip Braat
Glasgow Life Board	Appoint Glen Gribbon and re-appoint Iain MacRitiche
Safe Glasgow Partnership	Remove Leòdhas Massie and appoint Anthony Carroll

Correspondence noted.

8 There was submitted and noted letters from the Minister for Drugs and Alcohol Policy and Minister of State for Crime, Policing and Fire regarding Decriminalisation of Drugs in response to a motion at the Council on 7th September 2023 (Print 4, page 6).

Questions.

9 Answers to the following questions, of which notice had been given under Standing Order No 11, were given as undernoted:-

Question by	*Question*	*Answered by*
Bailie Soryia Siddique	"To ask the relevant City Convener what discussions have taken place with the Scottish Government regarding a review of the primary and secondary school curriculum to include an accurate representation of Scotland's role in the Transatlantic Slave Trade and its resulting monetary benefits?"	Councillor Christina Cannon, City Convener for Education and Early Years
Councillor Jill Pidgeon	"To ask the City Treasurer if equality impact assessments will be carried out on this year's budget decisions?"	Councillor Richard Bell, City Convener for Financial Inclusion, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer
Councillor Cecilia O'Lone	"To ask the City Convener for Culture, Sport, and International Relations, what are the plans to fully reopen the Glasgow National Hockey Centre? And what discussions on the future of the centre are taking place with the governing body, Scottish Hockey?	Bailie Annette Christie, City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations
Councillor Saqib Ahmed	"To ask the relevant City Convener if there have been any discussions with the city's bus operatives, regarding measures being put in place to ensure that there are no last-minute cancellations of bus services over the festive period? In	Councillor Angus Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Transport

	addition, are there any plans to relax LEZ rules during the festive period to encourage more people to visit our city centre?"	
Councillor Jon Molyneux	"To ask the Leader of the Council if she will reflect on why many people opposed her decision to share a platform with representatives of companies that have supplied equipment used in Israel's bombardment of Gaza, which has been described by the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights as "clearly having a devastating humanitarian and human rights impact"?"	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Councillor Dan Hutchison	"To ask the relevant City Convener for an update on the development of a "new way of engaging with foster and kinship carers on a wider basis which builds upon the aims and aspirations" from the Foster Carer summit held earlier this year?"	Councillor Chris Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care and Caring and Older People
Councillor Anne McTaggart	"To ask the City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets to provide an update on recent investments in our neighbourhoods?"	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Bailie Elaine Gallagher	"At the last full Council the City Convener admitted that the storm drainage capacity is insufficient to deal with increased rainfall due to climate change. To ask the City Convener what the city is doing to rectify that problem in respect of planning policy and relationships with Scottish Water?"	Councillor Kenny McLean, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land
Bailie Elaine Gallagher	"To ask the relevant City Convener what timescale the Council are working towards in enacting	Councillor Angus Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal,

	enforcement against illegal pavement parking?"	Transport and City Centre Transport
Councillor Martha Wardrop	"To ask the relevant City Convener for details of the work with COSLA to address the housing crisis and to secure additional resources to prevent homelessness?"	Councillor Kenny McLean, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land
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Councillor John Daly	"To ask the relevant City Convener given that the most recent figures supplied by NRS show that, as of this month, there are 462 black taxis currently non-compliant with the city's LEZ stipulations and not in receipt of a retrofit grant, what is being done to ensure that these cabs do not disappear from Glasgow's streets next summer?"	Councillor Angus Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Transport
Councillor Fyeza Ikhlaq	"To ask the City Convener for Education, Skills and Early Years what work is going on to amplify pupil voice in the city?"	Councillor Christina Cannon, City Convener for Education and Early Years
Councillor Eunis Jassemi	"To ask the relevant City Convener what steps are being taken to ensure council services are as accessible as possible over the Christmas period?"	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets

The "bonnie fechter"- Motion as adjusted, approved.

10 Councillor Sean Ferguson, seconded by Councillor Aitken, moved:-

"Council acknowledges the recent centenary of the death of John MacLean, teacher and socialist campaigner. Maclean was born in Pollokshaws, then part of Renfrewshire, on 14 August 1879, and died on 30 November 1923, at the age of just 44, also in Pollokshaws, which had been incorporated into Glasgow in 1912.

Council recognises that MacLean closely identified with this city, whose boundaries he expressed a wish to see expanded further to match the economic and social challenges facing residents across the Clyde valley. Council recalls that both MacLean's parents had relocated to the West of Scotland because their families were forced from their homes by highland and island landowners and that his father died of an industrial disease when MacLean was just 8 years old. Council believes that MacLean's personal commitment to education was a defining feature of his life, from his early engagement as a founder member of the Pollokshaws Progressive Union through many years of organising and delivering classes in economics across the West of Scotland and beyond.

Council also recognises that, despite living his whole life in and around Glasgow, MacLean's commitment to and actions on behalf of working people have been recognised around the globe and immortalised in many songs, plays, and books. Council recalls that a memorial committee was established in 1973 to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of John Maclean's death resulting in the erection of a memorial cairn, funded by public subscription, which was unveiled by then Lord Provost Sir William Gray and watched by MacLean's daughters, Nan and Jean. Council notes that the site of the cairn is adjacent to the Old Town House of Pollokshaws, at which location MacLean had held many public meetings, and is within the Pollokshaws Transformational Regeneration Area. Council further notes that the cairn may be removed temporarily to permit works to proceed and affirms the Council's support for the return of the cairn to a fitting and prominent site in a regenerated Pollokshaws.

Council also acknowledges that the transformational improvements underway across Pollokshaws should seek to reflect the areas past and its famous son and asks the TRA to consider how MacLean's contribution to his home city can be best commemorated within those changes, allowing Council time to respond to those proposals and properly recognise the contribution of the “bonnie fechter” and “fighting dominie” John MacLean to the life, character, and history of the city of which he was such an important part."

Councillor Butler, seconded by Councillor Curran, moved as an amendment to insert the following after the second paragraph:-

“Council applauds the political and industrial work of John Maclean, alongside other socialists such as James Maxton, on the Clyde Workers’ Committee and the part he played in the anti-war movement. Council also recognises the rare honour of his election to the Chair of the Third All-Russian Congress of Soviets, and his appointment in February 1918 to the post of Bolshevik Consul in Scotland by Lenin. Even at this far remove, council wholeheartedly condemns the political trial and imprisonment of John Maclean by the capitalist establishment in 1918 and remains in awe of his fortitude during his time in Peterhead prison.”

Councillor Hutchison, seconded by Bailie Gallagher moved as an amendment:-

(1) that the following be added at the end of the second paragraph:

"Council expresses its disappointment that the Sir John Maxwell school, where MacLean taught many of his adults' economics classes which were funded through public petition and are believed to have been the first publicly-funded classes on Marxism on the planet has reached the point of no return in its disrepair."

(2) that the following be added at the end of the third paragraph:

"Council also thanks members of the community for the maintenance and clean up of the memorial cairn last summer and believes that its upkeep is of significant importance to the heritage of the city."

(3) that the following be added at the end:

"Council agrees that work shall be undertaken by officers to rename the square in front of Langside Halls in MacLeans honour. The site has long been a meeting place and this was no different in MacLeans time as he was arrested 4 separate times on the square while speaking to crowds of thousands about the maltreatment of the working class.

The Council acknowledges the severe maltreatment that John MacLean was subjected to by the state for his opposition to the First World War and for his commitment to a Scottish Workers' Republic having been convicted of sedition and sentenced to Peterhead Prison for a five-year sentence of Penal Servitude. Council agrees that a public apology is long overdue for this maltreatment and that the council should invite the Secretary of State for Scotland to provide this at a civic reception for the 100th Anniversary of MacLean's far too early death."

Councillor Sean Ferguson, with the approval of his seconder, accepted the amendments by Councillor Butler and Councillor Hutchison resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

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Council also recognises that, despite living his whole life in and around Glasgow, MacLean's commitment to and actions on behalf of working people have been recognised around the globe and immortalised in many songs, plays, and books.

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The motion as adjusted was approved unanimously.

Adjournment.

11 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1250 hours until 1400 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

12 The meeting resumed at 1400 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present: The Lord Provost, Jacqueline McLaren (Chair).

SAQIB AHMED	STEPHEN DOCHERTY	NORMAN MacLEOD
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Cuts to Scottish Fire and Rescue Service – Motion as adjusted, approved.

13 Councillor O'Neill, seconded by Councillor Braat, moved that:-

"Council notes that the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SRFS) has implemented a strategic service review programme which has removed appliances from Cowcaddens, Govan and Maryhill fire stations as well as the 24-hour water rescue team from the River Clyde.

Council believes that the safety of Glaswegians is paramount and recognises the concerns in many parts of our city due to the removal of life-saving crews and fire appliances from local communities.

Council endorses the position of the Fire Brigade Union (FBU) that the proposed cuts to fire and rescue service provision in Glasgow and across Scotland will result in increased response time and increased risk to life. Council also recognises that the FBU is currently consulting its members on strike action as a result of these cuts which they consider to be a "threat to the lives, homes, and livelihoods of everyone in Scotland.

Therefore, Council resolves to write to the Minister for Victims and Community Safety in the Scottish Government outlining the concerns of the city, supporting the action taken by the FBU and urging the reinstatement of the appliances at Govan, Maryhill and Cowcaddens, along with the dedicated boat team at Polmadie as soon as possible."

Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor McSporran, moved as an amendment to insert the following two paragraphs after the second paragraph:-

"Council further notes that Glasgow used to be known as "tinderbox city" and applauds the work of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service preventing emergency incidents. Council notes the year-on-year decrease in Dwelling Fires by 7% and Non-Domestic Fires by 16% reported at the recent November Safe Glasgow Partnership, and recognises the decline nationally over the past decade in fire deaths, recorded fires by 14.1% and a 24.8% reduction in dwelling fires.

Council agrees with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service that its preventive work of is arguably, the most important work that the SRFS does on a daily basis; has delivered the reduced fire numbers and fire deaths in the first place and does not see this as a reason to reduce funding."

Councillor Hutchison, seconded by Councillor Wardrop, moved as an amendment to add the following paragraph after the third paragraph:-

"Council recognises and agrees with the World Health Organisations announcement that firefighting should be recognised as a carcinogenic occupation. Council further recognises the Firestorm report issued recently by the FBU and believes that urgent work must be undertaken to mitigate the impacts on the health and wellbeing of Glasgow's Firefighters which are put at further detriment with the removal of the aforementioned appliances and crews."

Councillor O'Neill, with the approval of his seconder, accepted the amendments by Councillor Bell and Councillor Hutchison, resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

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Council recognises and agrees with the World Health Organisations announcement that firefighting should be recognised as a carcinogenic occupation. Council further recognises the Firestorm report issued recently by the FBU and believes that urgent work must be undertaken to mitigate the impacts on the health and wellbeing of Glasgow's Firefighters which are put at further detriment with the removal of the aforementioned appliances and crews.

Therefore, Council resolves to write to the Minister for Victims and Community Safety in the Scottish Government outlining the concerns of the city, supporting the

action taken by the FBU and urging the reinstatement of the appliances at Govan, Maryhill and Cowcaddens, along with the dedicated boat team at Polmadie as soon as possible."

The motion as adjusted was approved unanimously.

Democracy Matters – Motion as adjusted, approved.

14 Bailie Carroll, seconded by Bailie Gallagher, moved that:-

"Council notes that 2023 is the 50th anniversary of the legislation which introduced community councils in Scotland. Council thanks all community councillors past and present who have given their time in service of their local communities and worked hard to strengthen democratic participation over the past 50 years which we have seen them operate in their current form.

Council notes the launch of the Democracy Matters consultation by the Scottish Government which seeks to inform proposals for a reinvigoration of local democracy through a forthcoming Local Governance Bill.

Council notes that Scotland has the largest first tier of local governance anywhere in Europe and that while we have community councils established by statute, they are entirely voluntary and have limited powers.

Council notes the findings of the first phase of Democracy Matters consultative work, which highlighted a broad range of barriers to community engagement and empowerment, and that there has to be a multi-faceted approach to engaging communities as one size does not fit all. Council acknowledges the role other forms of community groups such as youth forums, local strategy groups, and area partnerships have in providing spaces for communities to organise and enact local change.

Council agrees to engage with communities during this second phase of Democracy Matters consultation and to advocate in earnest for radical action to grow grassroots democracy and to transfer powers and resources to new or strengthened forms of grassroots local governance.

Council also agrees to strengthen existing frameworks for community engagement and empowerment, such as community councils, including by:

- Aiming to ensure there are no dormant community councils, including exploring temporary arrangements with neighbouring active community councils if required.
- Exploring with Community Councils the challenges they currently face in retention, and supporting research via the Democracy Matters consultation on them, such as remuneration for Community Councillors.
- Prioritising redevelopment of Glasgow City Council's online services within Glasgow's new Digital Strategy to be more user friendly and varied in

approach to best support accessibility in engagement on areas such as community consultation and planning.

- Undertaking a review with community councils of additional powers which could be exercised at grassroots level, potentially including powers over community asset management, elements of traffic regulation and allocation of street cleansing and other environment services.
- Improve support to community councils including updating training, and help to ensure community council membership is inclusive of the whole community including those with protected characteristics.
- Ensure that the reform of area partnerships to citizen panels empowers communities both with and without community councils, but is done in conjunction with them so as not to conflict with their democratic, statutory role."

Councillor McTaggart, seconded by Councillor Cannon, moved as an amendment:-

(1) to insert the following paragraph after the third paragraph:

"Council also notes how our Education Services are pioneering youth empowerment in partnership with Glasgow Life and the wider Glasgow family as evidenced by the citywide School Forum, senior Phase Parliament and recent Young People's Conference in October.";

(2) to insert the following three paragraphs after the fourth paragraph:

"Council notes its renewed resolve to put local people and communities at the centre of local decision-making by drawing on the experiences gained by local communities during and since the Covid-19 pandemic.

Council underlines its commitment as stated in the strategic plan Grand Challenge 4 Mission 2 to "Run an open, well governed council in partnership with all our communities". Council acknowledges it won the European category Open Government Partnership Award 2023 - testament to the work being undertaken by our Corporate Policy and Governance Team and the Centre for Civic Innovation on Citizen Power expanding participative democracy through citizens panels and the further review and empowerment of Community Councils in how they exercise change at a grassroots level which can provide a frequent source of consultation with individuals on a range of local issues across the city and can be integral to both community engagement and Neighbourhood Management processes and complements the general purpose of a Community Council to ascertain, coordinate and express the wider views of the entire community, and showcased at the OGP Global Summit 2023.

Council congratulates the staff involved and recognises that OGP commended the models of Citizen Power that are embedded in the way the city functions to create sustainable changes; that this includes understanding people's values, attitudes and behaviours towards local and city-wide policy and services, and applying design thinking, co-creation, and data science to achieve successful outcomes with stakeholders and resources aligned.

Council also recognises how People Make Glasgow's Communities and the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund have been commended as decision-making models for Neighbourhoods that can be deployed for infrastructure improvements.";

(3) to delete the following fourth bullet at the last paragraph:

"Undertaking a review with community councils of additional powers which could be exercised at grassroots level, potentially including powers over community asset management, elements of traffic regulation and allocation of street cleansing and other environment services.";

(4) to insert after "inclusive" and before "of the whole …" at the last paragraph, fifth bullet:

"and more representative"; and

(5) to delete "citizen panels" at the last paragraph, sixth bullet.

Bailie Carroll, with the approval of his seconder, accepted the amendment by Councillor McTaggart resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

"Council notes that 2023 is the 50th anniversary of the legislation which introduced community councils in Scotland. Council thanks all community councillors past and present who have given their time in service of their local communities and worked hard to strengthen democratic participation over the past 50 years which we have seen them operate in their current form.

Council notes the launch of the Democracy Matters consultation by the Scottish Government which seeks to inform proposals for a reinvigoration of local democracy through a forthcoming Local Governance Bill.

Council notes that Scotland has the largest first tier of local governance anywhere in Europe and that while we have community councils established by statute, they are entirely voluntary and have limited powers.

Council also notes how our Education Services are pioneering youth empowerment in partnership with Glasgow Life and the wider Glasgow family as evidenced by the citywide School Forum, senior Phase Parliament and recent Young People's Conference in October.

Council notes the findings of the first phase of Democracy Matters consultative work, which highlighted a broad range of barriers to community engagement and empowerment, and that there has to be a multi-faceted approach to engaging communities as one size does not fit all. Council acknowledges the role other forms of community groups such as youth forums, local strategy groups, and area partnerships have in providing spaces for communities to organise and enact local change.

Council notes its renewed resolve to put local people and communities at the centre of local decision-making by drawing on the experiences gained by local communities during and since the Covid-19 pandemic.

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- Improve support to community councils including updating training, and help to ensure community council membership is inclusive and more representative of the whole community including those with protected characteristics.

- Ensure that the reform of area partnerships empowers communities both with and without community councils, but is done in conjunction with them so as not to conflict with their democratic, statutory role."

The motion as adjusted was approved unanimously.

Adjournment.

15 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1530 hours until 1545 hours.

Resumption.

16 The meeting resumed at 1545 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present: The Lord Provost, Jacqueline McLaren (Chair).

SAQIB AHMED	STEPHEN DOCHERTY	NORMAN MacLEOD
SUSAN AITKEN	LAURA DOHERTY	ELAINE McSPORRAN
IMRAN ALAM	STEPHEN DORNAN	KENNY McLEAN
BLAIR ANDERSON	PATRICIA FERGUSON	ANNE McTAGGART
KEN ANDREW	SEAN FERGUSON	HANZALA MALIK
ALEXANDER BELIC	ELAINE GALLAGHER	CHRISTY MEARNS
RICHARD BELL	ZEN GHANI	ANGUS MILLAR
DECLAN BLENCH	ALLAN GOW	MALCOLM MITCHELL
EVA BOLANDER	WILLIAM GRAHAM	JON MOLYNEUX
ABDUL BOSTANI	SHARON GREER	MARGARET MORGAN
PHILIP BRAAT	GREG HEPBURN	EVA MURRAY
JILL BROWN	FIONA HIGGINS	CECILIA O'LONE
HOLLY BRUCE	RASHID HUSSAIN	KEIRAN O'NEILL
MAUREEN BURKE	DAN HUTCHISON	JILL PIDGEON
BILL BUTLER	FYEZA IKHLAQ	LINDA PIKE
GRAHAM CAMPBELL	EUNIS JASSEMI	HANIF RAJA
CHRISTINA CANNON	ANN JENKINS	THOMAS RANNACHAN
PAUL CAREY	LILITH JOHNSTONE	GEORGE REDMOND
JOHN CARSON	RUAIRI KELLY	LANA REID-MCCONNELL
ANTHONY CARROLL	ALEX KERR	ROZA SALIH
ALLAN CASEY	MATT KERR	FRANNY SCALLY
ANNETTE CHRISTIE	THOMAS KERR	JAMES SCANLON
CHRIS CUNNINGHAM	KEVIN LALLEY	SORYIA SIDDIQUE
STEPHEN CURRAN	PAUL LEINSTER	KIERAN TURNER
FEARGAL DALTON	FRANK McAVEETY	CATHERINE VALLIS
JOHN DALY	PAUL McCABE	MARTHA WARDROP
AUDREY DEMPSEY	ELAINE McDOUGALL	ALEX WILSON

LORD DEAN OF GUILD

Apology: Leòdhas Massie

Attending: M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; A O'Donnell, Chief Executive; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; I Robertson, Director of City Development; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; and A Eccles (for the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership).

Housing Emergency – Motion dealt with, after division.

17 Bailie Thomas Kerr, seconded by Councillor Daly, moved that:-

"Council acknowledges Shelter Scotland's call to declare a Housing Emergency by both Devolved and Local Authorities.

Council notes the decision taken at the City Administration Committee on 30th November 2023, to declare a housing emergency and calling on Council to pressure the UK Government to fully-fund the implications of its decision to streamline the asylum process, as well as calling on the Scottish Government to provide sufficient housing and homelessness funding in their budget, which is due to be announced on 19th December 2023.

However, Council notes that the issue around the Housing Emergency is vast and goes beyond the current issues of asylum relocation. Council also notes the failure of UK Housing Policy over the past 4 decades, the 2008 financial crash and 15 years of austerity, which has led to a significant shortfall in housing supply particularly in the affordable sector. Council notes that rising inflation has meant significant challenges to house builders and the construction industry. Council further notes, that a generation of young people are struggling to get on the housing market, or even find suitable and affordable homes in the rental market. Council agrees to continue to work on the delivery of the recommendations of the Scottish Government's Temporary Accommodation Task and Finish Group; and engage with the consultation process to develop the proposals for a Housing Bill, with stronger tenants' rights and powers to prevent homelessness.

Council agrees, that while many of the issues mentioned above are out with the control of Glasgow City Council, resourcing continues to be an issue right across the planning sector, in our role as the planning authority, with an increase in investment and resources, planning processes could possibly be speeded up to maximise the quantity and quality of housing across all types and tenures.

Council also reiterates its support in making Compulsory Purchase Orders more efficient and with a quicker turnover, as well as the introduction of Compulsory Sales Orders and the exploration of Compulsory Rental Orders to help radically increase empty homes in Glasgow being brought back into use. As such, Council

agrees the letter to Scottish Government should include a reiteration to of the need for Compulsory Sales Order Legislation, streamlining of Compulsory Purchase Orders and the need for Compulsory Rental Orders.

As such, Council agrees that the Council Leader writes to the Deputy First Minister, and the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, alongside the UK Secretary of State for Housing, outlining the actions council is taking to address the housing emergency, and seeks costed additional resources to help meet the severe challenges. Council also agree that the newly established working-group note the annual performance report of the Planning Service and the feedback from the Scottish Government, and the work is informed by the consideration of the Planning Performance Framework at the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee in 2024."

Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Casey, moved as an amendment:

(1) to insert the following after "relocation" in the third paragraph:

"Council also notes the failure of UK Housing Policy over the past 4 decades, the 2008 financial crash and 15 years of austerity, which has led to a significant shortfall in housing supply particularly in the affordable sector.";

(2) to delete all after "Glasgow City Council" and replace with the following at the fourth paragraph:

"resourcing continues to be an issue right across the planning sector, in our role as the planning authority, with an increase an investment and resources, planning processes could possibly be speeded up to maximise the quantity and quality of housing across all types and tenures."; and

(3) to delete the last sentence and replace with the following at the fifth paragraph:

"Council also agree that the newly established working-group note the annual performance report of the Planning Service and the feedback from the Scottish Government, and the work is informed by the consideration of the Planning Performance Framework at the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee in 2024".

Councillor Burke, seconded by Councillor Alam, moved as an amendment:

(1) to delete the second paragraph and insert the following new paragraph:

"Council notes the decision taken at the City Administration Committee on 30th November 2023, calling on Council to pressure the UK Government to fully-fund the implications of its decision to streamline the asylum process, as well as calling on the Scottish Government to provide sufficient housing and homelessness funding in their budget, which is due to be announced on 19th December 2023.";

(2) to insert a new paragraph after the second paragraph:

"Council also notes the failure of the Scottish Parliament to declare a housing emergency for Scotland. Both Glasgow and Edinburgh have since declared a housing emergency, illustrating the reality of life for far too many.";

(3) to insert the following new sentence at the end of the fourth paragraph:

"Council agrees that the Planning department needs adequately resourced in light of the housing emergency, as without adequate staffing numbers and better retention of experienced officers exercising these powers will continue to be a challenge. Furthermore, Council endorses a review into Glasgow City Councils planning functions, to give more delegated authority to our planning department, to enable the fast tracking of planning applications."; and

(4) at the sixth paragraph after "severe challenges" insert "Council agrees this letter should include a reiteration to the Scottish Government of the need for Compulsory Sales Order Legislation, streamlining of Compulsory Purchase Orders and the need for Compulsory Rental Orders."

Councillor Wardrop, seconded by Bailie Carroll, moved as an amendment to delete all and replace with the following:-

"Council acknowledges Shelter Scotland's call to declare a Housing Emergency by both Devolved and Local Authorities.

Council acknowledges the decision by City Administration Committee last week (30th November) to declare a Housing Emergency; and the cross-party support that is achieved.

However, Council notes that the issue around the Housing Emergency is vast and goes beyond the current issues of asylum relocation.

Council regrets the disastrous UK Government mini-budget of 2022, which has left the housing market struggling against inflationary pressures, as well as the devastating impact of Brexit on construction costs and workforce challenges.

Council notes that rising inflation has meant significant challenges to house builders and the construction industry. Council further notes that a generation of young people are struggling to get on the housing market, or even find suitable and affordable homes in the rental market.

Council agrees to continue to work on the delivery of the recommendations of the Scottish Government's Temporary Accommodation Task and Finish Group; and engage with the consultation process to develop the proposals for a Housing Bill, with stronger tenants' rights and powers to prevent homelessness. Council recognises that Rent Controls will be a positive step in making renting - in particular in the private sector - more affordable and incentivise improvements of housing conditions.

Council agrees, that while many of the issues mentioned above are out-with the control of Glasgow City Council, that we do have significant powers relating to planning which could be speeded up to ensure more good quality, affordable, mixed residential developments in particular, social housing are not only built but encouraged in our city including giving consideration to urgently developing an affordable housing planning policy which would see developers contribute 25% affordable homes within market developments as required by the fourth National Planning Framework.

Council also reiterates its support in making Compulsory Purchase Orders more efficient and with a quicker turnover, as well as the introduction of Compulsory Sales Orders and the exploration of Compulsory Rental Orders to help radically increase empty homes in Glasgow being brought back into use.

Council therefore asks the City Convenor for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use to write to the Scottish Minister for Housing to ask that the Scottish Government include these measures and reforms in the new Housing Bill. Council also calls on the UK Government to immediately uprate Local Housing Allowance, end the spare room subsidy, more commonly known as the bedroom tax, and reverse the planned real terms reduction to Scotland's capital budget.

As such, Council agrees that the Council Leader writes to the Deputy First Minister, and the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, alongside the UK Secretary of State for Housing, outlining the actions council is taking to address the housing emergency, and seeks additional resources to help meet the severe challenges. Council also agrees for officers to undertake a review into the council's planning resources required to respond to the housing emergency and asks for an update to come before the newly established working-group looking into the Housing Emergency agreed at City Administration Committee."

During the debate Councillors McLean, Burke and Wardrop, with the agreement of their seconders, agreed to combine their amendments resulting in the following combined amendment proposed by Councillor McLean and seconded by Councillor Wardrop:-

"Council acknowledges Shelter Scotland's call to declare a Housing Emergency by both Devolved and Local Authorities.

Council acknowledges the decision by City Administration Committee last week (30th November) to declare a Housing Emergency; and the cross-party support that is achieved.

However, Council notes that the issue around the Housing Emergency is vast and goes beyond the current issues of asylum relocation.

Council regrets the disastrous UK Government mini-budget of 2022, which has left the housing market struggling against inflationary pressures, as well as the devastating impact of Brexit on construction costs and workforce challenges.

Council also notes the failure of UK Housing Policy over the past 4 decades, the 2008 financial crash and 15 years of austerity, which has led to a significant shortfall in housing supply particularly in the affordable sector.

Council notes that rising inflation has meant significant challenges to house builders and the construction industry. Council further notes that a generation of young people are struggling to get on the housing market, or even find suitable and affordable homes in the rental market.

Council agrees to continue to work on the delivery of the recommendations of the Scottish Government's Temporary Accommodation Task and Finish Group; and engage with the consultation process to develop the proposals for a Housing Bill, with stronger tenants' rights and powers to prevent homelessness. Council recognises that Rent Controls will be a positive step in making renting - in particular in the private sector - more affordable and incentivise improvements of housing conditions.

Council agrees, that while many of the issues mentioned above are out-with the control of Glasgow City Council. **r**esourcing continues to be an issue right across the planning sector in our role as the planning authority, with an increase in investment and resources, planning processes could possibly be speeded up to maximise the quantity and quality of housing across all types an tenures in particular social housing is not only built but encouraged in our city. The strategic plan commitment of an affordable housing planning policy which would see 25% affordable homes within market developments as required by the fourth National Planning Framework will be considered at EHTR Committee in March 2024 as scheduled.

Council also reiterates its support in making Compulsory Purchase Orders more efficient and with a quicker turnover, as well as the introduction of Compulsory Sales Orders and the exploration of Compulsory Rental Orders to help radically increase empty homes in Glasgow being brought back into use.

Council therefore asks the Convenor for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use to write to the Scottish Minister for Housing to ask that the Scottish Government include these measures and reforms in the new Housing Bill. Council also calls on the UK Government to immediately uprate Local Housing Allowance, end the spare room subsidy, more commonly known as the bedroom tax, and reverse the planned real terms reduction to Scotland's capital budget.

As such, Council agrees that the Council Leader writes to the Deputy First Minister, and the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, alongside the UK Secretary of State for Housing, outlining the actions council is taking to address the housing emergency, and seeks additional resources to help meet the severe challenges and notes the decision taken at the City Administration Committee on 30th November 2023, calling on Council to pressure the UK Government to fully-fund the implications of its decision to streamline the asylum process, as well as calling on the Scottish Government to provide sufficient housing and homelessness funding in their budget, which is due to be announced on 19th December 2023.

Council also agree that the newly established working-group note the annual performance report of the Planning Service and the feedback from the Scottish Government, and the work is informed by the consideration of the Planning Performance Framework at the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee in 2024."

On a vote being taken electronically and by roll call, 75 members voted for the combined amendment and 2 for the motion.

The combined amendment was accordingly declared to be carried.

Adjournment.

18 In terms of Standing Order No 5 (12), the time being after 1630 hours, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting, the remaining items of business being 9(e), 9(f), 9(g), 9(h) and 9(i).

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 30th November 2023.

City Administration Committee.

Present: Richard Bell (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Jill Brown, Christina Cannon, Allan Casey, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Greg Hepburn, Ann Jenkins (substitute for Elaine McDougall), Ruairi Kelly, Matt Kerr, Thomas Kerr, Frank McAveety, Kenny McLean, Anne McTaggart (substitute for Susan Aitken), Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Cecilia O'Lone, Jill Pidgeon, George Redmond, Lana Reid-McConnell, Soryia Siddique and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Susan Aitken and Elaine McDougall.

Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); A O'Donnell, Chief Executive; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; I Robertson, Director of City Development; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; and S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Variation in order of business.

1 In terms of Standing Order No 6, the committee agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

Streamlined Asylum Process update noted etc - Future actions agreed – Establishment of cross-party working group approved.

2 With reference to the minutes of the Emergency Committee of 12th October 2023 (Print 5, page 91) noting the impact of the Home Office plans to make approximately 2,500 batched Asylum decisions in Glasgow by the end of the year and authorising the Chief Executive to take decisions on this matter and that these decisions would be reported retrospectively to the relevant committee, Councillor Casey, City Convener for Workforce, Homelessness and Addiction Services, presented a report providing an update on the challenges faced by the Council in relation to the provision of homelessness services as a result of Home Office plans to streamline the Asylum process, advising

(1) of the likely impact of this decision on the city and the potential costs which could be as much as £53.4m taken as a full year effect and based on known numbers;

(2) that the UK Government had confirmed that it would not provide any financial support to dispersal areas impacted by these batched decisions;

(3) of the streamlined Asylum process and that this process would put significant additional pressure on the rest of the homelessness service which had already led to a rise in rough sleeping in the city;

(4) that in addition to the positive decisions and given the scale of the challenges, there was every likelihood that Glasgow would see an increased pattern of people with No Resource to Public Funds (NRPF) rough sleeping and requiring intense outreach capacity from the third sector and health and social care support for those who were deemed most vulnerable;

(5) that there had been a call for the city to call a housing emergency and adopt a framework proposed by Shelter to focus on action, and the actions the Council was taking to respond to this emergency, were as detailed in the report;

(6) that the Health and Social Care Partnership and council oifficers had continued to progress specific actions to mitigate the impact of the challenges facing Homelessness Services and an action plan was being developed that reflected the breadth of activity being undertaken in relation to homelessness and these actions included the sourcing of additional emergency accommodation, aligning staff to meet the additional demand, undertaking a feasibility study into modular construction accommodation for use by homeless families and engagement with key stakeholders including engagement with the Scottish and UK Governments at both officer and political levels;

(7) of the financial implications, and that based on the current rate of positive decisions, as at 22nd November 2023, the best-case scenario for the homelessness overspend was projected to increase from £10.1m to £14.7m in 2023/24 as a result of positive asylum decisions, which was slightly down on the £15.8m original forecast; and

(8) that a review of the worst-case scenario had also been undertaken and this would result in an increase in the homelessness overspend from £10.1m to £23.6m, a slight reduction in the original forecast reflecting the current number of decisions/applications received to date.

After consideration and having heard Ms Alison Watson, Director of Shelter Scotland, the committee

(a) noted the report;

(b) acknowledged the severe pressures that the Council and the Health and Social Care Partnership had been facing in relation to housing and homelessness, recognised that these pressures were being made significantly more acute and more urgent because of the streamlined asylum process, further recognised that this issue disproportionately affected Glasgow more than any other Scottish local authority and formally declared that the pressures were such that they constituted a housing emergency; and

(c) agreed

(i) that the Council would work with all partners to ensure an ongoing response within Glasgow;

(ii) to continue to pressure the UK Government to fully-fund the implications of its decision and to consider with partners how the city should respond if it did not, and to continue to lobby the Scottish Government to ensure sufficient housing and homelessness investment was provided in the Scottish budget, as well as for flexibility in how the Council used current resources to best respond to the emergency; and

(iii) to commit to the establishment of a cross-party working group to receive quarterly updates on how the Council was tackling the declared housing emergency.

Strategic approach to public electric vehicle charging infrastructure in Glasgow - Option for future delivery – Strategy and expansion plan approved.

3 With reference to the minutes of the Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee of 21st November 2023 (Print 5, page 58) when it had been agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the concession model option for the future delivery of the public electric vehicle charging infrastructure (EVCI) in Glasgow, Councillor Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery, presented a report on the matter, advising

(1) of the current approach to EVCI in the city, with the Council having installed 327 charge points across 170 units for public use, which were located in a mixture of on-street sites and public car parks and were connected to the ChargePlace Scotland network;

(2) of the changing context for the provision of EVCI and projected demand and that Transport Scotland had changed its model of funding, which was linked to the need to develop a competitive market for public EVCI provision, with its vision set out in the document “Vision for Scotland’s Public Electric Vehicle Charging Network”, as detailed in the report;

(3) of Transport Scotland’s new public Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Funding (EVIF) programme, which would make £30m of funding available to local authorities over the next 4 years, with the aspiration that this would lever at least a further £30m from the private sector to grow the public electric vehicle network;

(4) of the work undertaken in relation to the production of a Public Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy and Expansion Plan for this Council by Mott MacDonald, as detailed in an appendix to the report, which set out the business case and the

associated ask for EVIF from Transport Scotland to help trigger private sector investment in a concession-style EVCI contract;

(5) of the spatial criteria for the location of future public EVCI and of the delivery model options for the proposed way forward, which had been developed and assessed as part of the said strategy and expansion plan work, as detailed in the report;

(6) that following the assessment work undertaken on the model options, it was concluded that a concession model was the preferred option to continue to explore moving forward, as detailed in the report; and

(7) of further issues to be explored and resolved in relation to the preferred concession model option for the future delivery of public EVCI in the city.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) approved the Public Electric Vehicle Charging strategy and expansion plan for Glasgow and to explore a concession approach to future delivery of EVCI in Glasgow.

Glasgow's Cycling and Urban Sports Strategy 2023-32 approved.

4 With reference to the minutes of the Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee of 21st November 2023 (Print 5, page 60) when it had been agreed to recommend to this committee approval of Glasgow's Cycling and Urban Sports Strategy 2023-32, Councillor Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery, presented a report on the strategy, advising

(1) that the strategy set out the vision for delivering significant increases in cycling and wheeled urban sports activity during the coming decade and was an output and commitment from Glasgow's Active Travel Strategy 2022-31;

(2) of the role and content of the strategy, which was framed around the 3 Ps of People, Place and Programme, as detailed in an appendix to the report;

(3) of an overview of the online consultation survey and engagement events, with the draft strategy having been subject to 6 weeks of public engagement during summer 2023, which coincided with the 2023 Union Cycliste Internationale Cycling World Championships in the city;

(4) of a summary of the survey responses received to the online consultation and the feedback from the various workshop events; and

(5) of the resulting changes to the draft strategy following the public engagement and of an action plan for the strategy, which was being developed with the assistance of the Glasgow Sport Team at Glasgow Life.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) approved the final version of Glasgow's Cycling and Urban Sports Strategy 2023-32 for adoption.

City Development Plan Scheme 2023 – Purpose, content and timeline approved.

5 With reference to the minutes of the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee of 15th August 2023 (Print 3, page 52) noting the purpose, content and timeline in the updated Development Plan Scheme 2023 and the required consultation on the Participation Statement section of the Scheme, Councillor McLean, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use, presented a report on the matter, advising

(1) that, as part of the implementation of the Planning Act 2019, the Scottish Government had prepared a 4th National Planning Framework (NPF4) that had been published in February 2023, followed by Local Development Plan (LDP) regulations and guidance in May 2023;

(2) that the dual publication of the NPF4 and LDP guidance had enabled the Council to update the outline timeline for the LDP in Glasgow, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;

(3) that the Council had produced a "storymap" version of the Development Plan Scheme for 2023 which included a Participation Statement which had been subject to consultation, as detailed in the report; and

(4) of the next steps for the City Development Plan Scheme 2023.

After consideration, the committee approved

(a) the purpose, content and timeline in the updated City Development Plan Scheme 2023, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; and

(b) the final Participation Statement section of the City Development Plan Scheme 2023.

Place Fund – Scottish Government Place-Based Investment Programme 2023/24 – Grant offer accepted.

6 Councillor Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets, presented a report regarding the allocations of grant funding received from the Scottish Government's Place-Based Investment Programme (PBIP) 2023/24, advising

(1) that in September 2020, the Scottish Government had published its Programme for Government, which contained a commitment to establish a PBIP that was intended to link and align place-based initiatives and establish a coherent local framework designed to implement the Place Principle;

(2) that a key element of the PBIP was the Place Fund that would be for local authorities to allocate, working collaboratively with local communities, together with business and the third and public sectors, to support shared local plans and aspirations;

(3) that the PBIP was investing £325m nationally to support community-led regeneration over a 5-year programme from 2021/22 to 2025/26 and to date this Council had received £6.916m with a range of projects having been successful in securing funding through the programme and had now been allocated £2.242m for 2023/24;

(4) that based on the Scottish Government's objectives for the funding and the Council's key strategies and development priorities, a thematic programme of support to deliver community-led capital had been developed and the 5 stands of projects, as detailed in the report had been recommended for funding; and

(5) of the delivery of the projects for the 2023/24 PBIP programme and future funding rounds.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report;

(b) agreed to accept the Scottish Government's Place Fund grant offer of £2.242m for 2023/24; and

(c) approved the proposed project funding applications for 2023/24.

Scottish recommended allowances for kinship care and fostering services approved etc.

7 Councillor Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care & Caring and Older People, presented a report on the Scottish Recommended Allowances (SRA) agreed by COSLA and the Scottish Government for kinship care and fostering services, advising that

(1) the Glasgow City Integrated Joint Board (IJB) in March 2022 had agreed

(a) to increase the kinship and foster care allowances from £137.18 to £146 per week for children aged 0-4 years and from £156.30 per week to £170 per week for children aged 5-10 years for the 40% of children in Glasgow's foster and kinship placements where they were believed, at that time, to be below the anticipated SRA; and

(b) that the remaining 60% of children in Glasgow's foster and kinship placements who were thought to be around or in line with the proposed national allowance level of payment of £194.54 for children aged 11-15 years and £236.60 for children aged 16+ be maintained until the outcome of the national review was known;

(2) as well as kinship and foster allowances, Glasgow provided an additional 4 weeks of allowances over the course of the year to cover birthdays, winter festivals and holidays and it was proposed that this additional allowance be continued to ensure that no families were in determent if the Council adopted the SRA;

(3) a mileage allowance was also provided to foster carers for anything outwith their local area and the Glasgow City IJB in November 2022 had agreed that this fee be increased from £150 to £165 and recommended that it remained in place;

(4) that the Scottish Government had agreed to provide an additional £16m of revenue to introduce a new SRA for foster and kinship carers across Scotland, backdated to 1st April 2023 and following the recommendation of the Settlement and Distribution Group, COSLA Leaders on 25th August 2023 had agreed to the introduction of the SRA;

(5) the SRA had recommended that all local authorities would be expected to pay a minimum allowance of £168.31 for children aged 0-4 years, £195.81 for children aged 5-10 years, £195.81 for children aged 11-15 years and £268.41 for children aged 16+;

(6) Glasgow City IJB had implemented increased rates in 2021/22 for Kinship and Fostering Services at a cost of £0.5m and the additional allocation of £2.365m from the Scottish Government for these services was sufficient to cover the uplift in rates from 2021/22, however it would not compensate for the early adoption of the increase, nor the previous investment made by the Council over several years; and

(7) the re-establishment of the Champions' Board for care experienced children and young people would provide a helpful forum to not only maintain the engagement of foster and kinship carers around the ongoing monitoring and implications of the new SRA, it would provide an opportunity for dialogue with carers around the financial arrangements and sustainability around the costs involved in raising children and young people now and in the future.

After consideration, the committee

(i) noted

(A) that Glasgow's Integrated Joint Board on 29th November 2023 had recommended approval of the funding for kinship and fostering services; and

(B) the proposed new Scottish Recommended Allowances for Kinship and Foster Carers;

(ii) approved the implementation of the new rates and allowances, backdated to 1st April 2023; and

(iii) agreed that Councillor Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care & Caring and Older People would write to the Scottish Government and COSLA urging that they agreed an approach to annual uprating of the recommended allowances, considering the cost of living, and that this should be fully-funded and enacted as part of the forthcoming Scottish Budget.

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 25th January 2024.

City Administration Committee.

Present: Richard Bell (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Christina Cannon, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Laura Doherty (substitute for Allan Casey), Greg Hepburn, Ruairi Kelly, Thomas Kerr, Frank McAveety, Kenny McLean, Anne McTaggart (substitute for Susan Aitken), Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Cecilia O'Lone, Keiran O'Neill (substitute for Jill Brown), Jill Pidgeon, George Redmond, Lana Reid-McConnell, Soryia Siddique and Martha Wardrop.

Also present: Ann Jenkins.

Apologies: Susan Aitken, Jill Brown and Allan Casey.

Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services: G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; I Robertson, Director of City Development; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; A Eccles (for the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership); and D Dornan (for the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life).

Financial Inclusion – Ring-fenced monies – Funding approved – Declarations of interest.

1 With reference to the minutes of 17th November 2022 (Print 4, page 447) approving a contribution of grant awards of £2,182,723 for 2023/24 to Glasgow Advice and Information Network (GAIN) organisations, Councillor Bell, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding a proposed continuation of grant awards for 2024/25 to GAIN organisations, advising

(1) that as part of the review of Financial Inclusion Services, the share of funding previously allocated to GAIN organisations from the Glasgow Community Fund (GCF) for financial inclusion and legal support had been ring-fenced and had been removed entirely from the GCF budget and administered separately;

(2) that by ring-fencing funds for financial inclusion support to GAIN organisations, £6,548,169 of funding would be available to deliver a financial inclusion programme over 3 years from 1st April 2023 until 31st March 2026;

(3) that officers from the Council's Financial Inclusion and Transformational Team had been working with GAIN organisations on a new approach to funding and as part of this, a representative from GAIN had been seconded into the Council's Child Poverty Pathfinder Multi-Disciplinary Team;

(4) that it was proposed that the current GCF awards to GAIN organisations be continued for another year from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025, with the option to extend if required, as detailed in the report; and

(5) that the continued funding awards to GAIN organisations from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025 would be subject to the Council being satisfied that all applicable Standard Conditions of Funding in 2023/24 had been adhered to and the initial grant payment would be subject to the submission of a satisfactory Funding Proposal Form including financial plans, programme outcomes and a Funding Acceptance Form.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) approved the continuation of grant awards to Glasgow Advice and Information Network organisations totalling £2,182,723 from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025.

In terms of Standing Order No 27, Councillors Kelly and McTaggart declared an interest in this item of business and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

Glasgow Life Museums Collections Development Policy 2024-29 approved.

2 With reference to the minutes of the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee of 18th January 2024 (page 60 hereof) when it had been agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the Glasgow Life Museums Collections Development Policy 2024-29, Bailie Christie, City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations, presented a report regarding the policy, advising

(1) that Glasgow Life, managed services for the Council under the terms of a series of service level agreements, that included the running of the city's museums;

(2) that the museum collections were owned by the Council who were also the governing body for the management and use of the collections with the governance and management arrangements being set out in a Collections Agreement which had been entered into between the Council and Glasgow Life on 30th March 2007;

(3) of the obligations that Glasgow Life had under the Collections Agreement in order to maintain Accredited Museum status, a UK Government museums sector standard that required both the governing body and museum to meet certain standards and to provide ongoing reassurance that the required standard was being met, with applications to renew accredited status made every 5 years;

(4) that the application renewal for the Burrell Collection was due for submission in late January 2024, with the city's other museums due for renewal in 2025;

(5) that the Council as the governing body was required to review and approve the proposed Collections Development Policy 2024-29, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report, which included a delegated scheme for 8 core collections transactions and the reporting structures for necessary escalations between Glasgow Life and the Council;

(6) of an Accreditation Scheme that advocated the Museum Association's Code of Ethics and in approving the Collections Development Policy there was acknowledgement that Glasgow Life would continue to follow this Code of Ethics, as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report;

(7) of the ongoing development of the Collections Development Policy that defined the scope of collection and areas for future collecting; and

(8) that the Collections Development Policy was informed by, and in part delivered through, the Collections Documentation and Plan and the Collection Care and Conservation Policy which outlined the processes and activities in relation to collection documentation, collection care and conservation and provided detailed information and guides for museum staff.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved

(i) the Glasgow Life Museums Collections Development Policy 2024-29;

(ii) the principles and process for a review of collecting priorities; and

(iii) the means of escalation required for certain Loans-Out; and

(b) noted

(i) where decisions lay in relation to core collection transactions; and

(ii) that the Collections Documentation Policy and Plan and the Collection Care and Conservation Policy would be drafted and agreed by the Head of Museums and Collections, Glasgow Life.

Statutory review of UK Parliamentary Constituencies noted - Polling Scheme for UK Parliamentary Elections approved.

3 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive regarding a statutory review of UK Parliamentary Constituencies undertaken by the Boundary Commission for Scotland and of a review being undertaken of the Polling Scheme for Glasgow, advising that

(1) in January 2021, the Boundary Commission for Scotland had commenced its 2023 Review of UK Parliamentary Constituencies and as a result of the review, Glasgow had lost part of Wards 4 and 13 which had been returned to Renfrewshire and West Dunbartonshire respectively;

(2) Glasgow now had 6 Parliamentary Constituencies, 1 less than previously and changes had been made to each of the constituencies either in name or in geographical composition or both, as detailed in the report;

(3) the Parliamentary Constituencies Order 2023 came into force on 29th November 2023 with the new constituencies coming into effect at the next General Election and that since December 2023, the Electoral Registration Office had published electoral registers to reflect the new boundaries;

(4) local authorities were required to review their polling districts and polling places for UK Parliamentary Constituencies at least once every 5 years and Glasgow had carried out a desktop review of polling places, with a full review including a public consultation taking place over the next few months to take account of the reduced number of constituencies and the availability of suitable polling places across the city; and

(5) it was proposed that an interim Polling Scheme, as detailed in an appendix to the report, be used if the UK Parliamentary General Election was called before the review of Glasgow's polling districts and polling places for UK Parliamentary Constituencies had been concluded.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted

(i) the outcome of the statutory review of UK Parliamentary Constituencies by the Boundary Commission for Scotland; and

(ii) that a full review of the UK Parliamentary Polling Scheme was being undertaken; and

(b) approved the Polling Scheme for a UK Parliamentary Election should this be required prior to the completion of the review.

ECONOMY, HOUSING, TRANSPORT AND REGENERATION CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 23rd January 2024.

Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee.

Present: Martha Wardrop (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Anthony Carroll, Laura Doherty, Sean Ferguson, Ann Jenkins, Ruairi Kelly (substitute for Allan Casey), Paul Leinster (substitute for Eva Bolander), Kenny McLean (substitute for Graham Campbell), Robert Mooney, Linda Pike, Soryia Siddique and Kieran Turner.

Also present: Angus Millar.

Apologies: Eva Bolander, Graham Campbell and Allan Casey.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); I Robertson, Director of City Development; A Robertson (for the Director of Economic Growth); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Responses to questions noted etc.

1 There was submitted a list of responses to the questions raised by members at the meeting of this committee on 14th November 2023.

After consideration, the committee noted

(1) the responses; and

(2) that responses to any questions raised at this meeting would be submitted to the next meeting of this committee.

Proposed work programme approved etc.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability detailing a list of planned reports for this committee's proposed work programme for the period from January to August 2024.

After consideration, the committee

(1) approved the work programme for January to August 2024; and

(2) noted that the list of planned reports was not exhaustive and that there could be other matters that could be considered by committee throughout the year.

Planning Enforcement Charter - Statutory Review noted – Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding a requirement through the Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006 for the Council to produce a Planning Enforcement Charter every 2 years

(1) advising that

(a) in order to guide the public on how councils set out their approach to dealing with breaches of planning control, the said Act required each Council to prepare a statement of its policy towards taking enforcement action and explaining how the public could participate in the process;

(b) the current Planning Enforcement Charter needed to be approved by the Scottish Government and made available to the public by 1st April 2024; and

(c) in updating the Planning Enforcement Charter, the Council was required to take into consideration any changes in legislation and circumstances which might affect how the Council delivered its planning enforcement service; and

(2) detailing, in an Appendix to the report, the revised Planning Enforcement Charter.

After consideration, the committee

(i) noted

(A) the terms of the Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006 and the associated statutory obligations on the Council to produce an Enforcement Charter every 2 years; and

(B) the revised Planning Enforcement Charter 2024;

(ii) recommended to the City Administration Committee approval of the revised Planning Enforcement Charter; and

(iii) requested an electronic copy of the relevant housebuilders guidance for Glasgow.

Annual Planning Performance Framework 2022/23 noted.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an annual Planning Performance Framework (PPF) 2022/23, advising

(1) that the 12th PPF produced by this Council covering the period from 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023, and had been prepared as an ArcGIS storymap which provided a report on the Council's planning performance over the year and was supported by evidence and case studies that demonstrated wider qualitative outcomes, along with measured information on key aspects of work including the City Development Plan, Development Management and Enforcement;

(2) of the Scottish Government feedback for this Council's PPF for 2022/23; and

(3) that the action plan, as detailed in the report, had identified 12 green markers, 1 amber and 1 red rated performance marker.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the annual Planning Performance Framework 2022/23;

(b) the performance of the Planning Service and the feedback from the Scottish Government for the reporting year;

(c) that the Planning Service enabled the delivery of sustainable, liveable and productive places and was committed to continuous improvement; and

(d) that information regarding the Council's response to the Call for Ideas would be circulated to members.

Glasgow Transport Strategy: Spatial Delivery Framework and Strategic Environment Assessment – Update noted - Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

5 With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee of 31st August 2023 (Print 4, page 33) approving the next steps on the public consultation of the Glasgow Transport Strategy (GTS): Spatial Delivery Framework (SDF), the Strategic Environmental Assessment report and the EqIA, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the findings of the consultation, advising

(1) that all local authorities in Scotland were expected to produce and regularly update a local transport strategy and the GTS was the Council's overarching policy document on transport issues which aimed to guide and inform decision-making on transport in the city;

(2) that the development of the GTS had followed a multi-criteria appraisal approach based on the Scottish Transport Appraisal Guidance and a number of key outputs had been developed as part of, and to inform, the GTS, as detailed in the report;

(3) that the SDF provided greater transparency over the Council's aspirations for sustainable transport and aimed to guide project development and decision-making;

(4) that the GTS Policy Framework already set out national and regional policy influences and synergies and there was significant synergy between the Council's GTS SDF and key national documents published over the past year, including, the National Planning Framework 4 and the Strategic Transport Projects Review Update;

(5) of a detailed consultation programme which had been carried out to ensure that the GTS SDF had been circulated widely in order to maximise engagement and feedback across a number of channels; and

(6) of the outcome of the consultation exercise the comments from which had been generally in support of the spatial elements which had been presented, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) recommended to the City Administration Committee approval of the Glasgow Transport Strategy Spatial Delivery Framework and associated Strategic Environmental Assessment.

Work of Glasgow City Region/Programme Management Office noted etc.

6 With reference to the minutes of the Council of 7th September 2023 (Print 4, page 19) instructing the Chief Executive to bring an updated paper to this committee on the work of the Glasgow City Region (CGR) Programme Management Office (PMO), there was submitted a report by the Director of Regional Economic Growth regarding the work of the GCR PMO and the Region's Intelligence Hub (IH), advising

(1) that the GCR PMO was initially set up in 2014 to support a £1.13b City Deal programme funded by 8 local Councils, namely Glasgow, East Dunbartonshire, East Renfrewshire, Inverclyde, North Lanarkshire, Renfrewshire, South Lanarkshire and West Dunbartonshire and the team which included a dedicated IH was based within this Council, led by the Director of Regional Economic Growth;

(2) that the scope of the team had continued to grow, particularly over the past 18 months where a significant increase in policies, resources and funding/investment of approximately £300m had been devolved to the Region;

(3) that the GCR Cabinet had been established in 2014 and was made up of the leaders of the 8 member authorities and was responsible for decision making

in relation to the City Deal and also for determining the strategic economic development priorities for GCR;

(4) that the PMO acted as the secretariat for the Cabinet which was the central point for appraisal and monitoring of all aspects of City Deal and the Cabinet was supported by the Chief Executive's Group which oversaw the management of the PMO in its delivery of the operational functions of the Cabinet, with a series of formal and informal groups set up to support a range of programmes, as detailed in the report;

(5) of the key programmes, as detailed in the report; and

(6) that the IH acted as an internal economic consultancy for the Region and its primary functions were to make the case for investment in the Region and ensure the Region made evidence-based policy and programme/project decisions and, in doing so, it was saving significant costs which otherwise would have been spent on consultants.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the report; and

(b) that a further update should be provided on the work of Glasgow City Region/Programme Management Office including the Energy Masterplan, Investment Zone and Clyde Mission.

Cost of Living Cisis update noted etc.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Regional Economic Growth providing an update on the Cost of Living Crisis and how it continued to impact the residents of Glasgow, advising

(1) that the Glasgow City Region (GCR) Intelligence Hub (IH) had been established in 2019 to provide economic intelligence related services to the Glasgow City Region and its 8 member authorities, including data analysis, policy research, economic modelling, strategy development and project evaluation for the City Region and the City Deal;

(2) that the IH had conducted research into the impacts of the Cost of Living Crisis since the issue became prevalent in 2022 which had culminated in the IH producing numerous briefings for the GCR in response to national policy developments, as well as a bespoke piece of research produced for the Scottish Cities Alliance;

(3) that the energy price cap was a mechanism used by Ofgem to limit the amount that energy suppliers could charge customers annually, with reviews every 3 months and evidence from the Resolution Foundation (RF) had previously shown that individuals with relatively low levels of earnings were

disproportionately affected by increases in the price of essential goods such as energy;

(4) that the Office for National Statistics had recently published new estimates for inflation and wages during June to August 2023, showing that the growth in wages had overtaken the growth of inflation for the first time since October 2021, as detailed in the report;

(5) that it could be argued that Glasgow residents were more vulnerable to the adverse impact of the Cost of Living Crisis than elsewhere in the UK and research by the Centre for Cities had found that the level of inflation experienced in Glasgow was the 2nd largest recorded;

(6) of the data from the RF projections which suggested that despite short-term real income growth, the increase in households' food and energy costs were causing a stagnation of disposable incomes and also that the proportion of children living in absolute poverty would rise the highest;

(7) that officers from the IH and the Council proposed to explore how the Council could use its own datasets to help identify those in greatest need of targeted support; and

(8) the Council had previously provided fuel support and that it had been proposed that the application of that fund be reviewed to look for insights as to where support might be needed in the future.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the report; and

(b) that a further update should be provided on the Intelligence Hub's work on the Cost of Living Crisis.

EDUCATION, SKILLS AND EARLY YEARS CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 25th January 2024.

Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee.

Present: Graham Campbell (Chair), Blair Anderson, Stephen Dornan, Patricia Ferguson, Elaine Gallagher, Zen Ghani, Fiona Higgins, Lilith Johnstone, Ruairi Kelly, Anne McTaggart (substitute for Fyeza Ikhlaq), Malcolm Mitchell and Catherine Vallis.

Also present: Christina Cannon.

Apologies: Elaine Gallagher and Fyeza Ikhlaq.

Attending: C Jack (Clerk); D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services); and F Ross (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Early learning and childcare delivery – Progress noted – Instruction to Executive Director of Education Services.

1 With reference to the minutes of 3rd June 2021 (Print 2, page 111) instructing the Executive Director of Education Services to continue to submit updated reports on the expansion of early learning and childcare (ELC) delivery, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding the progress on the expansion and a pilot undertaken of targeted school aged children following a change in legislation, advising that

(1) the Council had delivered its planned expansion of universal access to 1140 hours of statutory ELC for all 3 and 4 year olds and some 2 year olds in August 2021, with over 15,000 children per year accessing statutory ELC;

(2) in August 2023 legislation came into force that allowed parents of all children who were not yet 5 years old on the first day of term in August to access a further year of funded 1140 hours provision for their child;

(3) Glasgow was one of a small group of local authorities that piloted the change in legislation in August 2022 and the number of families that chose to access this additional benefit had risen from 588 children in 2021 to 623 in 2022 and 781 in 2023 when the legislation came into force nationally;

(4) following the publication of the Scottish Government's Best Start – Strategic Early Learning and School Age Childcare Plan 2022-26, Glasgow had been selected as 1 of 4 local authorities to embed the benefits gained from the universal 1140 hours and to develop a system of school aged childcare (SAC) and early years care for children under 2;

(5) the pilot had been rolled out in Drumchapel/Anniesland (Ward 14) and East Centre (Ward 18) and by the end of 2022, families who were accessing the SAC services and who met the priority criteria, had received assistance with their childcare expenses and that the success of this pilot had resulted in the service being rolled out to Southside Central (Ward 8); and

(6) Glasgow had submitted a bid for the next financial year to test a system of all age childcare from 9 months to the end of primary school and, if successful, would roll out further testing of delivery to a further 5 Wards in the city.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the progress and issues around developing childcare services; and

(b) instructed the Executive Director of Education Services to continue to submit updated reports to this committee.

Pupil participation development – Update noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 26th January 2023 (Print 5, page 568) noting the work of Education Services to support pupil voice across its establishments, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services providing an update on Education Services developments to support pupil voice in the city,

(1) advising of the

(a) various groups and forums that had been developed and supported by Education Services to ensure children's rights were central to its work and that the voice of young people in Glasgow schools was heard, as detailed in the report;

(b) work of Education Services to support pupil voice, participation and engagement across its establishments; and

(c) initiatives that had been planned and developed to ensure children's rights and youth voice in education continued to be developed and supported; and

(2) detailing, in an appendix to the report, a Manifesto for a Fairer Future that had been created from the views of young people who had participated in the Senior Phase Parliament meetings.

Nurturing approaches in Glasgow schools and early learning centres – Update noted.

3 With reference to the minutes of 26th January 2023 (Print 5, page 568) noting the progression of the Nurturing City approach to supporting children and young

people's emotional and social development, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services providing an update on the progression of the Nurturing City approach, advising of the

(1) role of the Nurture Development Officers which was to develop training packages for staff which met the current needs of the children, families and workforce, such as nurturing staff wellbeing, recovery and reconnection during the pandemic and nurture in residential children's homes;

(2) work undertaken by educational psychologists in Glasgow during the session 2022/23 to support the Nurturing City vision;

(3) work undertaken by Glasgow's nurture groups, in both primary and secondary schools to help build positive relationships and help children to make attachments to key people in school, thus providing a safe base in which development in learning, social and emotional skills could take place;

(4) areas that had been identified to further embed nurturing approaches whilst providing ongoing support to nurture groups and whole school environments; and

(5) work of Education Services to create safe and responsive learning environments, support attuned staff and facilitate positive relationships which would promote children and young people's social and emotional development, wellbeing and engagement with learning.

Development activities related to equality – Update noted.

4 With reference to the minutes of 28th September 2023 (Print 4, page 61) noting the developments planned and activities in relation to the development of the equality agenda across Education Services, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services providing an update on the activities in relation to supporting the development of the equalities work in relation to anti-racism and lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) inclusive education, advising

(1) that Glasgow's Anti-Racism Charter had been launched in the City Chambers on 12th October 2023 and a number of events had taken place in recent months to launch Education Services Anti-Racism Charter and make clear its commitment to tackling racism in all forms, as detailed in the report;

(2) of the first of 3 Anti-Racism Conversation events that had taken place in the City Chambers to gather the views of young people on the next steps to tackle racism in Glasgow, which had been facilitated by a group of teachers who had completed Education Scotland's Building Racial Literacy (BRL) training and were part of the wider Glasgow Equalities Team, as detailed at Appendix 1 of the report;

(3) that the first Anti-Racism Conversation event had gathered pupil views from approximately 20 primary and 12 secondary schools and that further sessions were planned for January and June 2024;

(4) that Education Services had entered a partnership with the University of Glasgow with the intention of having a city-wide strategy that would deliver high quality learning experiences about Glasgow's history and the city's historic connections to the Atlantic Slave Trade and Enslavement, and aimed to increase teacher subject knowledge;

(5) of the work currently being carried out in relation to LGBT inclusive education in schools which included strengthening existing strong links with partners at Time for Inclusive Education to move towards a fully inclusive curriculum and to address the issues around homophobic, biphobic and transphobic prejudice and bullying; and

(6) of the next steps.

Blairvadach outdoor learning opportunities – Update noted.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding the current service, functions, occupancy and outlook for the Blairvadach service resource, advising

(1) of the Blairvadach service resource which included a residential outdoor education centre, Blairvadach at Pinkston Basin, therapeutic intervention outdoor education, Duke of Edinburgh Award and training and resources, as detailed in the report;

(2) that occupancy for the residential centre over the current financial year was at its highest level ever, that demand for the service continued to outstrip the ability of the centre to supply and the new pricing structure had enabled more of Glasgow's young people to benefit from the resource;

(3) of the current service levels and how the services had evolved since 2012;

(4) of the allocation process and selection criteria undertaken on receipt of notes of interest from Glasgow schools for the following academic year;

(5) that the wider educational experiences and training facilitated by the Blairvadach services delivered personal and social development and character education and contributed directly to the Grand Challenges of the All Learners, All Achieving Strategy;

(6) of the Council's strategy to enable outdoor learning to become an entitlement to each pupil at every stage within their education journey, as detailed in the report; and

(7) of feedback received from teachers and parents on their experience with the service.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the report; and

(b) the work of Education Services to support all young people to access and benefit from a high quality and progressive outdoor education experience throughout their journey at school.

ENVIRONMENT AND LIVEABLE NEIGHBOURHOODS CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 30th January 2024.

Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee.

Present: Holly Bruce (Chair), Declan Blench (substitute for Elaine McSporran), Abdul Bostani, Paul Carey, Anthony Carroll, Stephen Curran, Stephen Docherty, Allan Gow, Alex Kerr, Kevin Lalley, Paul McCabe and Franny Scally.

Also present: Ruairi Kelly and Angus Millar.

Apologies: John Carson and Elaine McSporran.

Attending: A Croall (Clerk); E Marshall (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and I Campsie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Committee work plan – January to June 2024 approved.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability detailing a list of planned reports for the work plan for the period from January to June 2024.

After consideration, the committee approved the work plan.

Resource and Recycling Strategy 2020-30 - Update noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee of 3rd June 2021 (Print 2, page 93) approving the Resource and Recycling Strategy 2020-30 and action plan, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the progress made to deliver the action plan set out within the Resource and Recycling Strategy 2020-30, advising

(1) that the resource and recycling industry continued to undergo significant policy change and in 2023 the Scottish Government had consulted on the Circular Economy Bill and the Route Map to 2025 and beyond in 2022, that included the reuse and recycling targets from 2025;

(2) that the Deposit Return Scheme for single-use containers, scheduled to go live on 16th August 2023, had been delayed and was now due to be introduced, at the earliest, by October 2025 and that this had impacted the proposed withdrawal of the Council's kerbside glass collection service;

(3) of the published guidance in October 2023 by the Scottish Environment Protection Agency on the management of Persistent Organic Pollutants and of the planning for the implementation of future national policy changes that would be required in 2024;

(4) that the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) for packaging waste, due to be implemented in 2024, would not now be launched until October 2025 and would change the funding model for local authorities;

(5) of the Resource and Recycling Strategy update for 2023 and Strategic Project Priorities for 2024, as detailed in the report;

(6) of the progress made in delivering the actions committed within the Resource and Recycling Strategy 2020-30, as detailed in an appendix to the report; and

(7) of key initiatives undertaken last year and the strategic project priorities to be undertaken in 2024.

After consideration, the committee noted the

(a) progress made in delivering the actions committed within the Resource and Recycling Strategy 2020-30; and

(b) strategic priorities for 2024, which were key to delivering the ambitions of the Resource and Recycling Strategy 2020-30.

Adjournment.

3 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the committee agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1420 hours until 1425 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

4 The meeting resumed at 1425 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present: Holly Bruce (Chair), Declan Blench (substitute for Elaine McSporran), Abdul Bostani, Anthony Carroll, Stephen Curran, Stephen Docherty, Allan Gow, Alex Kerr, Kevin Lalley, Paul McCabe and Franny Scally.

Also present: Ruairi Kelly and Angus Millar.

Apologies: John Carson and Elaine McSporran.

Attending: A Croall (Clerk); E Marshall (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and I Campsie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Active Travel Infrastructure and initiatives delivery - Update noted.

5 With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee of 24th February 2022 (Print 7, page 503) approving Glasgow's Active Travel Strategy 2022-31, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding various active travel infrastructure projects and initiatives being delivered this financial year, advising

(1) that the Glasgow Transport Strategy and the related Active Travel Strategy committed Glasgow to the creation of a comprehensive and cohesive city network of active travel routes as well as the prioritisation of public transport and that to achieve these committments officers across the Council were progressing a wide range of projects and initiatives;

(2) that the Active Travel Strategy set out a committment to develop a city network of active travel routes that had been enhanced by the publication of a final delivery plan for the city network in April 2023 which provided indicative phasing and a short-term pipeline of schemes that aimed to attain the city's goal to deliver a city network of 270 kilometers of segregated cycle infrastructure by 2030;

(3) of the current workstreams that contributed to the delivery of a significant range of active travel projects and initiatives, as detailed in the report; and

(4) that in addition to the ongoing active travel projects, 17 existing traffic signal junctions and pedestrian crossings across Glasgow would be upgraded by 31st March 2024, to improve safety and attractiveness for cycling and walking journeys.

After consideration, the committee noted the

(a) status of the extensive programme of works and the scale of external funding underpinning commitments; and

(b) progress made on cycle hire, cycle storage, contract provisions and the behaviour changes campaigns to promote active travel as part of a sustainable travel hierarchy.

Electric vehicle charging - Tariff review noted.

6 With reference to the minutes of 25th April 2023 (Print 1, page 68) noting an update on the introduction of an electric vehicle charging tariff, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing details of a review of tariff for the Council's public electric vehicle charging infrastructure, advising

(1) that as of 1st January 2024, the Council had installed and commissioned 335 charge points across 175 units for public use in Glasgow, that included off-

street hubs and 16 Rapid units that would charge most vehicles to 80% in approximately 30 minutes;

(2) of the results of the 6-month tariff review undertaken by the Council which considered ongoing costs associated with the network, network demand, feedback from interested parties and electric vehicle user groups and arrangements for residents with no access to private parking and for commercial vehicle operators in the city, as detailed in the report;

(3) of the revised tariff arrangements that would be applied as soon as new tariff notices could be printed and distributed with a lead time of around 4 weeks; and

(4) that there would be a further review later this year of the impact of the changes to tariff arrangements as well as anticipated increases in electricity costs, on the model and charging structure of the network.

NET ZERO AND CLIMATE PROGRESS MONITORING CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 16th January 2024.

Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee.

Present: Alexander Belic (Chair), Blair Anderson, Declan Blench, Abdul Bostani, Christina Cannon, Chris Cunningham, Stephen Docherty, Rashid Hussain, Malcolm Mitchell, Robert Mooney and Eva Murray.

Also present: Angus Millar.

Apologies: Lana Reid-McConnell and Keiran O'Neill.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); G Slater (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); A Burns, Executive Director of City Building; C Quinn (for the Chief Executive): and I Campsie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Committee work plan January to June 2024 approved.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability detailing a list of planned reports for the proposed work plan for the period from January to June 2024.

After consideration, the committee approved the work plan, as detailed in the report.

Draft Forestry and Woodland Strategy – Details noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 8th November 2022 (Print 4, page 452), noting the work on the development of the Forestry and Woodland Strategy (FWS), there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the progress with the emerging draft Forestry and Woodland Strategy, advising

(1) that the FWS would be the primary strategy and policy document relating to all woodlands and trees in the city and the draft FWS set the approach to trees and woodlands in the city within the context of the climate change and biodiversity emergencies noting that mitigation action in one of these areas would have an impact on the other;

(2) the draft FWS, as detailed in an appendix to the report, noted the benefits of trees and set out the vision for trees and woodlands in Glasgow;

(3) that a draft delivery plan setting out the actions which would contribute to increasing the tree canopy cover in the city had been incorporated in the draft FWS; and

(4) of the next steps, which would include using the draft FWS as the basis for engaging external organisations, stakeholders and members of the public before finalising.

City Building - Climate Plan – Update noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report and presentation by the Executive Director of City Building providing an update of activities within City Building that contributed to Glasgow's Climate Plan,

(1) advising that City Building contributed to the Glasgow's Climate Plan and the ambition to be net-zero carbon by 2030, Wheatley Housing Group's Your Home, Your Community, Your Future strategy and the ambitions of all other clients and that the responsibility for climate change governance, management and strategy sat with the City Building (Glasgow) LLP and City Building (Contracts) LLP Boards;

(2) outlining the strategic organisational ambitions and sustainability strategy together with the sustainability impact with ambitions to upskill the workforce, as detailed in the report; and

(3) concluding that City Building continued to prioritise engagement in communities through its apprentice community projects, volunteering and charity work supporting community wealth building.

Progress on development of Climate Change Impact Assessment noted.

4 With reference to the minutes of 17th January 2023 (Print 5, page 560) noting the proposed Climate Change Impact Assessment (CCIA) Methodology and the indicative timescale for the delivery of the CCIA, there was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Executive, advising of the

(1) development of the CCIA and the inclusion of the City Portrait Lens in the revised framework together with the developing link with the Equality Impact Assessment process, as detailed in the report; and

(2) revised timetable and the intention to impact assess papers for this committee in May 2024 using the CCIA methodology.

Carbon Neutral Cities Alliance Annual General Meeting – Update noted.

5 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Council's

membership of the Carbon Neutral Cities Alliance (CNCA) and reflection from the 2023 Annual General Meeting, advising

(1) that the CNCA was a collaboration of leading global cities working to achieve carbon neutrality in the next 10-20 years and that the mission of the CNCA was to mobilise transformative climate action in cities in order to achieve prosperity, social equity, resilience and better quality of life for all on a thriving planet;

(2) of the 7 key strategic priorities of the CNCA which aligned well with the strategic priorities and climate ambitions of the Council, as detailed in the report;

(3) that the Council had been nominated to join the CNCA in 2020 by New York City and following a successful interview had been invited to become a member with membership to the CNCA costing $10,000 annually;

(4) that due to the pandemic, international travel was severely restricted, which resulted in the 2021 AGM being held online and the 2022 AGM being split into 3 meetings which were hosted in Central Europe, America and Australia and the 2023 meeting was hosted by Toronto;

(5) of the benefits of membership of the CNCA together with details of the 2023 AGM, as detailed in the report; and

(6) that in relation to the next steps there was great interest amongst the CNCA cities for Glasgow to host either the 2024 or 2025 AGM and that it would be reasonable for Stockholm to host in 2024 and Glasgow in 2025, aligning the meeting with the city's 850th celebrations.

Air Quality Action Plan – Update noted etc.

6 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding a new draft Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP), advising

(1) that the statutory Local Air Quality Action Management (LAQM) process required local authorities to regularly review and assess air quality in their areas and where an exceedance was considered likely, the local authority must declare an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) and prepare an AQAP setting out the measures it intended to put in place in pursuit of objectives;

(2) that the Council had prepared 2 previous AQAP's in 2004 and 2009 and since then updates on the actions within those plans had been included in the Air Quality Annual Reports (APRs) and that actions within those plans had been adapted over time and APRs had increasingly included progress updates on actions not considered within the original AQAPs;

(3) that in November 2021, Environmental Standards Scotland (ESS) announced that its first investigation would consider air quality, specifically focusing on compliance with the NO_2 limit value set in Directive 2008/50/EC on ambient air quality and cleaner air for Europe, which formed part of retained law following the UK's exit from the European Union;

(4) that after taking evidence from the Scottish Government, the Scottish Environment Protection Agency and local authorities, ESS published its conclusions and recommendations in the form of an improvement report in September 2022 and the recommendations were accepted by the Scottish Government with updated policy guidance being produced in March 2023, which set out what a local authority must include in an AQAP;

(5) that the revised LAQM policy guidance specified that current AQAPs should be reviewed and, where necessary, updated within 1 year of the revised guidance being published, and every 5 years;

(6) that the draft AQAP update outlined the actions that the Council would deliver between 2024-29 to reduce concentrations of air pollutants and exposure to air pollution;

(7) that whilst the focus remained upon the City Centre AQMA, which was currently the last AQMA not scheduled for revocation and where exceedances of the air quality objectives continued to be observed, this AQAP adopted a holistic and city-wide approach to reducing emissions and improving air quality across the Council area;

(8) that the actions within this AQAP, most notably the full implementation of the Low Emission Zone, should lead to the revocation of the City Centre AQMA, targeted to be no later than 2029;

(9) of the 7 priorities of the AQAP, as detailed in the report; and

(10) of the next steps in the process of the draft AQAP, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the update of the Draft Air Quality Action Plan together with the next steps; and

(b) agreed that the final Air Quality Action Plan would be submitted to this committee before being submitted to the City Administration Committee for approval.

Cities4Forests Initiative – Update noted etc.

7 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Cities4Forests Initiative, advising

(1) that leading up to COP26, Glasgow had signed the Cities4Forests Call to Action on Forests and Climate and became a member of the Cities4Forests network and joined the Partner Forest Program;

(2) that Cities4Forests was a global alliance of cities that had been co-founded in 2018 by Pilot Projects Design Collective and The World Resources Institute to help cities across the globe become advocates for the world's forest;

(3) of the Wood Material Flow Analysis Project which had 3 key aspects namely a Material Flow Analysis for wood in the city, a review of existing Council procurement policies and tender processes and alignment with Sustainable Wood for Cities pathways and production of visual material to support any project launch activities;

(4) of the wider benefits of the project and alignment with key policies including the Circular Economy Route map, as detailed in the report; and

(5) of the next steps in the Cities4Forests initiative, Wood Material Flow Analysis Project, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed to support the Cities4Forests Wood Material Flow Analysis project.

WELLBEING, EQUALITIES, COMMUNITIES, CULTURE AND ENGAGEMENT CITY POLICY COMMITTEE.

Hybrid meeting, 18th January 2024.

Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee.

Present: Laura Doherty (Chair), Holly Bruce, Anthony Carroll, Annette Christie, Audrey Dempsey, Stephen Dornan, Fiona Higgins, Angus Millar, Margaret Morgan, Cecilia O'Lone, Jill Pidgeon, Roza Salih, Catherine Vallis (substitute for Thomas Rannachan), Ms Martina Johnston-Gray and Ms Irene Loudon.

Also present: Anne McTaggart.

Apology: Thomas Rannachan.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; J Sherry (for the Chief Executive); and D Dornan and A Ward (for the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life).

Glasgow Helps – Overview etc noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Executive providing an overview of the Glasgow Helps service, advising

(1) that Glasgow Helps had provided support to vulnerable citizens during the pandemic initially through the shielding line that connected people with specific support and it emerged that issues faced in addition to accessing food, prescriptions or vitamins had been long established and exacerbated rather than caused by the pandemic;

(2) of the service evolution and that Glasgow Helps had been relaunched in May 2022 as a post pandemic support offer for citizens across the city that recognised the ongoing requirement for assistance and that it was open to anyone who lived in Glasgow and could be accessed through self or partner referral;

(3) that using collective knowledge and resources, Glasgow Helps Shielding Service, in partnership with Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector, had expanded its support and connected people with specialist services and assisted citizens to navigate the complicated and complex array of supports available;

(4) of the Glasgow Helps achievements to date, the substantial stakeholder engagement and anonymised user stories, that articulated a range of interactions that had been undertaken, as detailed in the report;

(5) that Glasgow Helps was committed to working directly with families across the city and acknowledged in the Council's Strategic Plan 2022-27 to deliver on Grand Challenge 1, Mission 1: "End Child Poverty in our city using early intervention to support families";

(6) that the Council had approved ongoing resourcing to secure the future of Glasgow Helps as a permanent service for the city; and

(7) of Glasgow Helps participation in the development of the city's No Wrong Door model, which sought to address the current fragmented and disjointed infrastructure in the city by creating joins and improving collaboration.

Glasgow Community Learning and Development Plan 2021-24 – Update noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life, regarding progress of Glasgow's Community Learning and Development (CLD) Plan 2021-24, advising

(1) that the requirements of the Community Learning and Development (Scotland) Regulations placed a duty on local authorities, through Community Planning Partnerships (CPPs), to produce a 3-year plan for the effective delivery of CLD and that the CLD Plan had been developed to support the priorities of the Glasgow Community Plan and aligned to the Council Strategic Plan 2022-27 grand commitments;

(2) that in 2022/23 the CLD sector had delivered a significant variety of programmes and activities that had resulted in skills development, positive life changes and increased wellbeing for children, young people, adults and community groups, despite facing a range of challenges including financial, organisational and increased demand for support services;

(3) that implementation of the CLD plan had provided evidence that learners were improving their economic opportunities through targeted lifelong learning to develop skills, confidence, wellbeing and aspirations for inclusive growth and active participation; and

(4) of a range of activities and learning programmes provided, as detailed in the report.

Glasgow Life Museums Collections Development Policy 2024-29 noted – Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

3 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life, regarding the draft Glasgow Life Museums Collections Development Policy 2024-29 and the requirements of the Museums Associations Code of Ethics, advising

(1) that Glasgow Life managed services for the Council under the terms of a series of service level agreements, that included the running of the city's museums;

(2) that the museums collections were owned by the Council who were also the governing body for the management and use of the collections with the governance and management arrangements for the collections set out in a Collections Agreement which had been entered into between the Council and Glasgow Life on 30th March 2007;

(3) of the obligations that Glasgow Life had under the Collections Agreement in order to maintain Accredited Museum status, a UK Government museums sector standard that required both the governing body and museum to meet certain standards and to provide ongoing reassurance that the required standard was being met, with applications to renew accredited status made every 5 years;

(4) that the application renewal for the Burrell Collection was due for submission in late January 2024 with the city's other museums due for renewal in 2025;

(5) of the Collections Development Policy, as detailed in appendix 1 to the report;

(6) that the policy defined a delegated scheme for 8 core collections transactions and the reporting structure for necessary escalations between Glasgow Life and the Council;

(7) of the ongoing development of the Collections Development Policy that defined the scope of collection and areas for future collecting; and

(8) that the Collections Development Policy was informed by, and in part delivered through, the Collections Documentation and Plan and the Collection Care and Conservation Policy which outlined the processes and activities in relation to collection documentation, collection care and conservation and provided detailed information and guides for museum staff.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed to recommend to the City Administration Committee approval of

(i) the draft Glasgow Life Museums Collections Development Policy 2024-29 and the requirements of the Museums Association Code of Ethics;

(ii) which matters were escalated to Council committee for approval;

(iii) the principle and process for a review of collecting priorities; and

(iv) the need for an updated Documentation Policy and Conservation Policy.

Committee work programme – January to November 2024 approved.

4 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding the work programme from January to November 2024.

After consideration, the committee

(1) approved the workplan; and

(2) advised the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance of future reports and topics to be considered.

CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 1st February 2024.

Contracts and Property Committee.

Present: Franny Scally (Chair), Ken Andrew, Philip Braat, Anthony Carroll, Stephen Curran, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Ruairi Kelly, Kevin Lalley, Elaine McSporran, Leòdhas Massie, Robert Mooney (substitute for James Scanlon), Linda Pike (substitute for Kenny McLean) and Thomas Rannachan.

Apologies: Kenny McLean and James Scanlon.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); M Fitzpatrick (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D McEwan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance); and G McCormick (for the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership).

Response to questions noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing a response to questions raised at the meeting of this committee on 23rd November 2023.

Provision of works for Argyle Street West (Ward 10) public realm construction – Award of contract approved.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of works for Argyle Street West (Ward 10) public realm construction, with a budget of £10.1m funded by Glasgow City Region City Deal capital budget, advising that

(1) the contract was for the delivery of a programme of major public realm improvement works that included reconstruction of footways, carriageways, the creation of new cycleways and the installation of green/blue infrastructure, from the Argyle Street West area of the city;

(2) the contract would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability for a period of 18 months, and required to be approved by the Glasgow City Region Chief Executives' Group on 1st February 2024, prior to the award; and

(3) as part of the open tender process, 5 contractors submitted a valid response, 2 contractors were eliminated due to failure to meet the required minimum score threshold for technical and professional ability, and that following an

evaluation recommended that the contract be awarded to Rainton Construction (Scotland) Limited.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of the contract for the provision of works for Argyle Street West public realm construction to Rainton Construction (Scotland) Limited.

Glasgow Carers Support Service – Award of contracts approved.

3 There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership regarding the tenders received, for the provision of Glasgow Carers Support Services in Glasgow, advising that

(1) the tender process had been split into 3 lots namely, Lot 1 – Northwest Glasgow - £743,276, Lot 2 – Northeast Glasgow - £677,125 and Lot 3 – South Glasgow - £748, 796; and

(2) the contract, with a total value of £10,845,985 for Lots 1, 2 and 3 would be for a period of 3 years, commencing on 1st May 2024, with an option to extend the contract for a further 2 years.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contracts for the provision of Carers Support Services to the following providers:-

(a) Lot 1 – Northwest Glasgow, to Quarriers;

(b) Lot 2 – Northeast Glasgow, to Glasgow Association for Mental Health; and

(c) Lot 3 – South Glasgow, to The Dixon Community.

Glasgow Locality and Intensive Family Support Services Framework – Award of contracts approved.

4 There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership regarding tenders received for the Glasgow Locality and Intensive Family Support Services Framework, advising that

(1) a Contract Notice advertising an Invitation to Tender had been published on the UK Find a Tender Service and Public Contracts Scotland websites on 8th September 2023 using an open procedure;

(2) the initial contract term for this service was 4 years, with the option to extend for a further period of 2 years, and then a further 1 year, and that the extension period would be implemented subject to satisfactory reviews being concluded;

(3) Commissioning, Finance and Care Group teams in Children and Families Services would manage the contract and provider performance in compliance

with requirements of the Social Work Services Contract Management Framework; and

(4) 12 bids had been received for the 5 Lots and following an evaluation it was recommended the contract be awarded to the providers, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the award of contract for a period of 4 years with an option to extend the contract for 2 years, plus a further 1 year extension, at an estimated total contract value of £50,042,440 over the full 7 years of the contract term to:-

(i) Lot 1- North West Glasgow:-
Aberlour Child Care Trust; and
Action For Children Services Limited;

(ii) Lot 2 – North East Glasgow:-
Aberlour Child Care Trust; and
Action For Children Services Limited;

(iii) Lot 3 – South Glasgow:-
Aberlour Child Care Trust; and
Includem;

(iv) Lot 4 – Glasgow Citywide:-
Aberlour Child Care Trust;
Action For Children Services Limited;
Includem; and
Right There; and

(v) Lot 5 – Additional Family Support Services:-
Aberlour Child Care Trust;
Action For Children Services Limited;
Barnardos;
Children 1st;
Geeza Break;
Home Start Glasgow North and North Lanarkshire;
Includem;
Quarriers; and
Right There; and

(b) noted that continuance of contractual arrangements into the extension periods will be subject to satisfactory service review outcomes being achieved.

Supply and delivery of Halal poultry – Award of contract approved.

5 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the supply and delivery of Halal poultry, advising that

(1) the current annual spend for the supply and delivery of Halal poultry was £222,826;

(2) the contract would be utilised by Catering and Facilities Management, Encore Services, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership and all parts of the Council including Arm's Length External Organisations that were eligible to utilise contracts awarded by the Corporate Procurement Unit, and that the duration of the contract was for 4 years from February 2024 to February 2028; and

(3) the 5 suppliers appointed to Lot 4 of the Scotland Excel's Framework were invited to bid for this contract, resulting in 2 bids submitted and following an evaluation, McLays Limited had been ranked first and equated to a value of £182,833 and that if the historical patterns remained would result in a saving of £39,992.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of the contract for the supply and delivery of Halal poultry to McLays Limited.

Sustainable Procurement Strategy 2023-27 – Performance Action Plan update noted.

6 With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee of 23rd March 2023 (Print 1, page 38) approving the Sustainable Procurement Strategy 2023-27, there was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the progress of the delivery of the Strategy, advising

(1) that the Strategy had 6 key Strategic Procurement objectives and 29 actions, with more than 50% of the actions having a sustainable theme;

(2) of the Action Plan as detailed in Appendix A, showing all the deliverables, including the associated target dates until 2027; and

(3) of the 2 actions delivered in 2023 and the 8 actions to be delivered in 2024, covering 5 key Strategic Procurement objectives.

Provision of consultancy services for Liveable Neighbourhoods - Tranche 3 – Award of contract approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of consultancy services for the Liveable Neighbourhoods (LN) - Tranche 3, advising

(1) that this Council's budget for the delivery of consultancy services for the LN - Tranche 3 was £745,000, and that the LN plan had been introduced in response to the draft Scottish Government's 4th National Planning Framework which highlighted the importance of liveable places and 20-minute neighbourhoods;

(2) that the purpose of the contract was to produce LN - Tranche 3 which contained 4 areas of Glasgow, namely North Cardonald, Penilee, Crookston, South Cardonald, Bellahouston, Craigton and Mosspark, Knightswood, Temple and Anniesland, Cadder, Lambhill, Parkhouse and Milton and Easterhouse, Ruchazie and Garthamlock;

(3) that the duration of the contracts was up to 13 months from contract award, with no extension period, and would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and

(4) that 9 consultancies appointed to Lot 8 had been invited to submit a bid for a mini competition, with 4 consultancies submitted a bid, and, following an evaluation it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Arcadis Consulting (UK) Limited.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of the contract for the provision of consultancy services for the Liveable Neighbourhoods - Tranche 3, to Arcadis Consulting (UK) Limited at an award value of £720,991.

12 Balcurvie Road, flat 2/01 (Ward 21), 1263 Argyle Street, flat 1/02 (Ward 10) and 221 Allison Street, flat 2/01 (Ward 8) - Compulsory purchase orders approved.

8 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals to promote compulsory purchase orders (CPOs) over 3 properties at 12 Balcurvie Road, Flat 2/01 (Ward 21), 1263 Argyle Street, Flat 1/02 (Ward 10) and 221 Allison Street, Flat 2/01 (Ward 8), advising

(1) of proposals to promote CPOs over all 3 properties, that had been identified on the Council tax register as being long-term empty homes which were in private ownership and which had been lying in various states of disrepair for a considerable amount of time; and

(2) that ownership of the 3 properties would be transferred by the Council through 'back to back' agreements that would be entered into and legally agreed through all parties in advance of the CPOs being promoted.

After consideration, the committee approved

(a) the promotion of Compulsory Purchase Orders over the properties at 12 Balcurvie Road, flat 2/01, 1263 Argyle Street, flat 1/02, and 221 Allison Street, flat 2/01; and

(b) 'back-to-back' agreements with Provanhall Housing Association for 12 Balcurvie Road, flat 2/01, Yorkhill Housing Association for 1263 Argyle Street, flat 1/02, and Govanhill Housing Association for 221 Allison Street, flat 2/01.

Offices and storage premises at Blair Court, Borron Street (Ward 16) – Lease extension approved - Instruction to Director of City Development.

9 With reference to the minutes of 16th January 2020 (Print 6, page 489) approving an extension to the existing lease of Blair Court, Borron Street (Ward 16) to Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP) for a further period of 3 years from the expiry date of 31st March 2021, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability requesting a further extension of the lease of offices and storage premises at Blair Court, Borron Street (Ward 16),

(1) advising that the current occupiers, GCHSCP wished to continue its use of the premises for an initial period of 1 year from 1st April 2024 and having an option to extend the lease for a further year beyond that; and

(2) detailing the provisional Heads of Terms proposed by the landlord.

Ater consideration, the committee

(a) approved the Council extending the lease of Blair Court, Borron Street as shown on the plan attached to the report and on the terms contained within the report; and

(b) instructed the Director of City Development in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to conclude all other matters pertaining to the lease of the subjects and to enter into necessary legal agreements on terms which were in the best interest of the Council.

Land at Spoutmouth 'A' Car Park – 15 Spoutmouth (Ward 9) – Off-market disposal approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

10 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for an off-market disposal of the land at Spoutmouth 'A' Car Park, 15 Spoutmouth (Ward 9) to Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited,

(1) advising that

(a) the proposed purchaser planned to develop the land for a residential scheme to create 34 flatted units for social rent and 2 commercial retail units on the ground floor; and

(b) the site, as detailed in an appendix to the report, had been formally declared surplus to the Council's operational requirements on 20th November 2023 with no notes of interest being received; and

(2) detailing the provisionally agreed terms and conditions.

After consideration, the committee

(i) approved the proposed off-market disposal of the land at Spoutmouth 'A' Car Park, 15 Spoutmouth to Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited; and

(ii) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to progress the disposal.

Land at Farnell Street forming part of yard of 37-39 Farnell Street (Ward 11) - Off-market disposal approved, in principle – Instruction to Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP.

11 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for an off-market disposal of land at Farnell Street forming part of a yard of 37-39 Farnell Street (Ward 11) to the adjoining owner, Chan's Ltd, advising that the

(1) proposed purchaser was considering options to expand its cash and carry business; and

(2) subject site, as detailed in an appendix to the report, had been declared surplus on 11th August 2023 with no notes of interest being received.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the principle of an off-market sale to the adjoining owner Chan's Ltd;

(b) instructed the Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP to negotiate the terms and conditions of the disposal; and

(c) noted that appropriate authority would be sought for the approval of agreed terms and conditions.

31 Seamill Street (Ward 3) – Off-market disposal approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

12 With reference to the minutes of 23rd November 2023 (Print 5, page 83) approving the principle of an off-market disposal of 31 Seamill Street (Ward 3) to Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking approval for the off-market disposal of 31 Seamill Street (Ward 3) to Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited,

(1) advising that the subject site had recently been utilised as short-term accommodation for children on behalf of Health and Social Care Partnership and subsequently declared surplus on 4th July 2023 with no notes of interest being received; and

(2) detailing the terms and conditions of the contract.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the off-market disposal of 31 Seamill Street to Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited, subject to terms and conditions outlined in the report; and

(b) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to progress the disposal.

Land at Cranhill Community Gardens, Bellrock Crescent (Ward 18) - Off-market disposal approved, in principle – Instruction to Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP.

13 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for an off-market disposal of land at Cranhill Community Gardens, Bellrock Crescent (Ward 18) to the adjoining owner, Cranhill Development Trust, advising that the

(1) proposed purchaser planned to use the subject site to create a community allotment site; and

(2) subject site, as detailed in an appendix to the report, had been declared surplus on 22nd March 2021 with no notes of interest being received.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the principle of an off-market sale to the adjoining owner Cranhill Development Trust;

(b) instructed the Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP to negotiate the terms and conditions of the disposal; and

(c) noted that appropriate authority would be sought for the approval of agreed terms and conditions.

Land at 12 Carron Crescent and 96 Elmvale Street (Ward 17) – Disposal approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

14 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for the disposal of land at 12 Carron Crescent and 96 Elmvale Street (Ward 17) to Edzell Property Holdings Limited, advising

(1) that the subject sites at 12 Carron Crescent and 96 Elmvale Street, as detailed in an appendix to the report, had been declared surplus in 2010 and 2011 respectively, and that no notes of interest had been received from any Registered Social Landlords;

(2) that Edzell Property Holdings Limited proposed to build 49 residential units over the 2 sites; and

(3) of the terms and conditions of the contract.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the disposal of land at 12 Carron Crescent and 96 Elmvale Street to Edzell Property Holdings Limited; and

(b) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to progress the disposal.

10 properties/sites (Wards 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 19, 21 and 22) throughout Glasgow – Off-market disposals approved, in principle – Authority to Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP.

15 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking approval for the off-market disposals in principle of 10 properties/sites (Wards 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 19, 21 and 22) to various Registered Social Landlords,

(1) advising that the 10 subjects, namely site at Lochdochart Road/Twinlaw Street, site at Woodside Place/St George Road, flat 0/1, 46 Melville Street, flat 1/L, 58 Buccleuch Street, former janitors house, 1333 Dumbarton Road, site at Oran Gate, site at Abbotshall Avenue/Dunkenny Road/Drumry Road East, site at Queen Mary Street, flat 1/02, 55 Walton Street and former Shettleston Halls, Wellshot Road comprised of a mix of cleared sites, individual residential properties, sites with buildings still in-situ which might be demolished prior to any development commencing for affordable housing and that all disposals

would comply with Glasgow City Council's Policy on Common Good Assets; and

(2) detailing the terms and conditions of the contract.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the principle off-market disposals, subject to terms and conditions outlined in the report, of

(i) site at Lochdochart Road/Twinlaw Street (Ward 6) to Lochfield Housing Association;

(ii) site at Woodside Place/St George Road (Ward 7) to Queens Cross Housing Association;

(iii) 46 Melville Street, flat 0/1 (Ward 9) to Southside Housing Association;

(iv) 58 Buccleuch Street, flat 1/L, (Ward 10) to Glasgow West Housing Association;

(v) former janitors house, 1333 Dumbarton Road (Ward 11) to Whiteinch and Scotstoun Housing Association;

(vi) site at Oran Gate (Ward 13) to Maryhill Housing Association;

(vii) site at Abbotshall Avenue/Dunkenny Road/Drumry Road East (Ward 14) to Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited;

(viii) site at Queen Mary Street (Ward 15) to Thenue Housing Association;

(ix) 55 Walton Street, flat 1/2, (Ward 19) to Southside Housing Association; and

(x) former Shettleston Halls, Wellshot Road (Wards 21 and 22) to Shettleston Housing Association;

(b) authorised the Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP to negotiate the terms and conditions of the disposals; and

(c) noted that appropriate authority would be sought for the approval of agreed terms and conditions.

Transactions approved in terms of Scheme of Delegated Functions noted.

16 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability detailing those transactions approved, in terms of the Scheme of Delegated Functions, during the period from 1st July to 31st December 2023, as detailed in the appendices to the report.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 29th November 2023.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Zen Ghani, Eunis Jassemi, Leòdhas Massie, Jill Pidgeon and Hanif Raja.

Apology: Sean Ferguson.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D Anderson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); Inspector G Griffiths, Police Scotland; and D Harrison, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 17 applications for various types of licences.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the applications as follows:-

Applicant and reference number	*Premises*	*Duration*	*Decision*
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (NEW)			
Joanne McKechnie (HMO06129)	3/1, 197 Great Western Road (Ward 11)	3 years	(1) Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and (2) Warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises
Westering Property Company Ltd (HMO06733)	3/1, 64 Lauderdale Gardens (Ward 23)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and

			Sustainability
John Hazlett (HMO06736)	2/2, 11 Kersland Street (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Ross Kennedy (HMO06737)	0/1, 34 Dowanhill Street (Ward 23)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
No 7 Property Ltd (HMO06738)	2/1, 645 Alexandra Parade (Ward 22)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Xiaopang Ltd (HMO06740)	3/1, 15 Willowbank Street (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (EXISTING)

Ledmont Ltd (HMO00200)	5/1 and 5/2, 5 Athole Gardens (Ward 23)	3 years	Continued for (1) outstanding matters to be completed to satisfaction of Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS); and (2) further correspondence from SFRS advising of its concern regarding

			management of premises
Honey Khalid (HMO03065)	2/2, 55 Peel Street (Ward 23)	3 years	(1) Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and (2) Warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises

HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (VARIATION)

Honey Khalid (VHMO03065)	2/2, 55 Peel Street (Ward 23)	n/a	(1) Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and (2) Warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises
Westering Property Ltd (VHMO06733)	3/1, 64 Lauderdale Gardens (Ward 23)	n/a	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Blue 23 Cars (PV23261)	n/a	3 years	Refused

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)

Charley Crawford (PD30052)	n/a	3 years	Granted

Alhadi Ali (PD30737)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Mohsin Ahmed (PD30984)	n/a	3 years	Granted for a restricted period of 1 year and warning issued regarding applicant's future conduct

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Jawhar Ali (PD30709)	n/a	3 years	Granted

SHORT TERM LETS LICENCE (HOME SHARING) (NEW)

Valerie Johnston (GL00057)	1000 Great Western Road (Ward 23)	3 years	Granted

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Gerard Martin (TD16835)	n/a	3 years	Continued at request of applicant

Application by Hamzeh Karimi for private hire car driver's licence (New) (PD30687) refused, after division.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an application by Hamzeh Karimi for a private hire car driver's licence (New) (PD30687) for 3 years.

Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Ghani, moved that the application be refused.

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Pidgeon, moved as an amendment that the application be granted for a restricted period of 1 year and a warning issued regarding the applicant's future conduct.

On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 2 members voted for the amendment and 4 for the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried and the application was refused.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 6th December 2023.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Sean Ferguson, Zen Ghani and Eunis Jassemi.

Apologies: Leòdhas Massie, Jill Pidgeon and Hanif Raja.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D Anderson and J Strachan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Sergeant L Brown, Police Scotland.

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of various licences with immediate effect agreed.

1 There were submitted reports by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of various licences, in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, advising

(1) of the circumstances leading to the immediate suspension of each licence; and

(2) that the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke each licence, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the Act.

After consideration, the committee agreed to suspend the undernoted licences for the unexpired portion of their duration with immediate effect:-

Licence holder and reference number

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

Patrick Broadley (PD27419)

Liaqat Ali (PD27894)

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE

James McCluskey (TD15517)

Gordon McCallum (TD16226)

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 20 applications for various types of licences.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the applications as follows:-

Applicant and reference number	*Premises*	*Duration*	*Decision*
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (NEW)			
Surjit Chowdhary (HMO02274)	1/1, 5 Derby Street (Ward 10)	3 years	(1) Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and (2) Warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises
Suzy Sandhu (HMO02980)	35 Bentinck Street (Ward 10)	3 years	(1) Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and (2) Warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises
Westering Property Company Ltd (HMO06734)	2/1, 30 Falkland Street (Ward 23)	3 years	(1) Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and (2) Warning issued regarding

			applicant's future management of premises
Trinity 1827 Ltd (HMO06743)	2/2, 34 Garthland Drive (Ward 22)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Moray Wood (HMO06748)	3/1, 143 Bellfield Street (Ward 9)	3 years	(1) Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and (2) Warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises
Alicia Herbert (HMO06754)	1/1, 1 McAslin Court (Ward 10)	3 years	(1) Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and (2) Warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises

HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (VARIATION)

Westering Property Company Ltd (VHMO06734)	2/1, 30 Falkland Street (Ward 23)	n/a	(1) Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and

			(2) Warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE (NEW)			
Angeline R Gutsa (PV23321)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Ikechukwu Amobi (PV23346)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Scram Associates Ltd (PV23401)	n/a	3 years	Continued for vehicle details, vehicle inspection and production of requisite documentation
Kevin Kyle (PV23409)	n/a	3 years	Continued for vehicle details, vehicle inspection and production of requisite documentation
Kaleem Rafiq (PV23429)	n/a	Temporary for 6 weeks	Refused
Saghir Ahmad (PV23442)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Akbar Ali (PV23499)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Mumtaz Ahmad Yousafzai (PV23513)	n/a	3 years	Refused
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE (RENEWAL)			
HPN Leasing (PV23375)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Kamran Seema (PV23472)	n/a	3 years	Continued for vehicle details, vehicle inspection and production of requisite documentation

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)

Humed Saleh Idris (PD31000)	n/a	3 years	Refused

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

James Campbell (TD16734)	n/a	3 years	Granted
James Mitchell (TD16750)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to undergo a medical examination

Complaints against various licence holders dealt with.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 19 complaints against various licence holders.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the complaints as follows:-

Licence holder and reference number	*Decision*
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE	
Prestto Services Ltd (PV21443)	Continued at request of licence holder
Penelope Hire (PV21463)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV21507)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Cars 4 U 1 Ltd (PV22906)	Licence suspended for 6 weeks with immediate effect
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV21019)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20331)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20335)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20337)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

Network Private Hire Ltd (PV21865)	Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV21866)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
HPN Leasing (PV23067)	Noted surrender of licence
HPN Leasing (PV20379)	Noted surrender of licence
HPN Leasing (PV20389)	Noted surrender of licence
Mohammed Yahyah (PV21860)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Abbid Murtaza (PV22530)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

Imran Lal (PD29563)	Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

TAXI LICENCE

H & S Taxi Service (TV07802)	Continued for vehicle inspection and production of requisite documentation
Dunmar Taxi Service (TV08093)	Licence suspended for 8 weeks with immediate effect
Albeck Taxi Service (TV08777)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 10th January 2024.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Sean Ferguson, Zen Ghani, Eunis Jassemi, Leòdhas Massie, Jill Pidgeon and Hanif Raja.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); J Strachan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Sergeant L Brown, Police Scotland.

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of various licences with immediate effect agreed.

1 There were submitted reports by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of various licences, in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, advising

(1) of the circumstances leading to the immediate suspension of each licence; and

(2) that the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke each licence, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the Act.

After consideration, the committee agreed to suspend the undernoted licences for the unexpired portion of their duration with immediate effect:-

Licence holder and reference number

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

Ghulam Seema (PD25700)

Shabir Ahmed (PD29463)

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE

James Campbell (TD16734)

Mark Carroll (TD15114)

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 11 applications for various types of licences.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the applications as follows:-

Applicant and reference number	*Premises*	*Duration*	*Decision*
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (EXISTING)			
Ledmont Ltd (HMO00200)	5/1 and 5/2, 5 Athole Gardens (Ward 23)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of application
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE (NEW)			
Qomandan Sadat (PV23597)	n/a	3 years	Continued for vehicle details, vehicle inspection and production of requisite documentation
Safar Ahmad (PV23624)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)			
Rizwan Naseer (PD30434)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Arif Ashraf (PD30560)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information
TAXI LICENCE (NEW)			
Samantha Clark (TV09163)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
George Clark Taxis Ltd (TV09164)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Samantha Clark (TV09165)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Gurmail Singh (TD16821)	n/a	3 years	Granted
Gerrard Martin (TD16835)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
John Clyde (TD16873)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

Complaints against various licence holders dealt with.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 4 complaints against various licence holders.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the complaints as follows:-

Licence holder and reference number	*Decision*
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE	
Mohammed Yahyah (PV21860)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Abbid Murtaza (PV22530)	Licence revoked
Prestto Services Ltd (PV21443)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
TAXI LICENCE	
Albeck Taxi Service (TV08777)	Licence revoked

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Requests to recall Suspension Orders imposed on private hire car licences agreed.

4 In terms of Standing Order No 4, there was heard, as matters of urgency, reports by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding 2 requests to recall Suspension Orders imposed on private hire car licences.

After consideration, the committee agreed to recall Suspension Orders imposed on the undernoted licences:-

Licence holder and reference number

Mohammed Saleem (PV21237)

EMC (GBR) Ltd (PV21383)

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 17th January 2024.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Sean Ferguson, Zen Ghani, Eunis Jassemi and Hanif Raja.

Apologies: Leòdhas Massie and Jill Pidgeon.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); and G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration).

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Request by GlasGo Cars to display external advertising on various private hire cars – Consideration continued.

1 With reference to the minutes of 9th August 2023 (Print 3, page 98) agreeing that with effect from 1st January 2024, there would be no requirement for an 'innervision' or 'contravision' style sign or product of the same name or similar type to be positioned at the bottom or top of the rear windscreen identifying the booking office to which a licensed private hire belonged, there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a request by GlasGo Cars for approval to display external advertising to be positioned at the bottom or top of the rear windscreen of 539 private hire cars in relation to the company, as detailed in appendix 2 to the report

(1) advising that condition

(a) 7 of a private hire car licence required the consent of this authority for a licence holder to display advertising material externally on a private hire car; and

(b) 10 of a private hire car licence required approval of this authority for a licence holder to display on a vehicle for the purposes of advertising its services as a private hire car; and

(2) highlighting the relevant external advertising material, as detailed in appendix 1 to the report.

After consideration, the committee continued consideration of the request until after the review of the Advertising on Licensed Vehicles Private Hire Cars Policy had been completed.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 24th January 2024.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Eunis Jassemi, Jill Pidgeon and Hanif Raja.

Apologies: Sean Ferguson, Zen Ghani and Leòdhas Massie.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); J Sharp (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Sergeant L Brown, Police Scotland.

Applications for various types of licences dealt with - Dissent.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 7 applications for various types of licences.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the applications as follows:-

Applicant and reference number	*Premises/stance*	*Duration*	*Decision*
LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE (NEW)			
Harbans Sond (LHC00521)	123 Cleveden Road (Ward 23)	3 years	Refused
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)			
Majid Baig (PD30594)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information
Azhar Khan (PD30628)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Yohannes Bluts (PD31065)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information
Suudi Ali Shoble (PD31217)	n/a	3 years	Granted and warning issued regarding applicant's future conduct
Chham Chhetri (PD31255)	n/a	3 years	Refused, Bailie Raja dissenting

STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (NEW)

Georgopoulos Stavros (ST01412)	West side of Queen Margaret Drive, 70 metres north east of Hamilton Drive (Ward 23)	3 years	Granted

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 31st January 2024.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Sean Ferguson, Zen Ghani, Eunis Jassemi, Leòdhas Massie and Jill Pidgeon

Apology: Hanif Raja.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); K A Harkins (for the Director of Legal and Administration); I Gorol (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Inspector G Griffiths, Police Scotland.

Exclusion of public.

1 The committee resolved, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public for the following item of business as exempt information, as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of private hire car driver's licence of Christopher Graham (PD28761) – Action agreed.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of the private hire car driver's licence of Christopher Graham (PD28761), in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982

(1) advising that

(a) following receipt of a complaint from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, the private hire car driver's licence of Christopher Graham was suspended on 11th January 2024 with immediate effect for a period of 6 weeks; and

(b) the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke the private hire car driver's licence of Christopher Graham, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act; and

(2) attaching correspondence from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, detailing the terms of the said complaint.

After consideration, the committee agreed not to suspend or revoke the private hire car driver's licence of Christopher Graham, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act.

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of various private hire car drivers' licences with immediate effect agreed.

3 There were submitted reports by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of various private hire car drivers' licences, in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, advising

(1) of the circumstances leading to the immediate suspension of each licence; and

(2) that the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke each licence, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the Act.

After consideration, the committee agreed to suspend the undernoted licences for the unexpired portion of their duration with immediate effect:-

Licence holder and reference number

Mazin Mohamed (PD29634)

Andrew Gillespie (PD28669)

Mohammed Afzal (PD27494)

Application by Qomandan Sadat for private hire car licence (PV23597) refused.

4 With reference to the minutes of 10th January 2024 (page 84 hereof) when an application by Qomandan Sadat (PV23597) for a private hire car licence (New) for 3 years had been continued for vehicle details, vehicle inspection and production of requisite documentation, there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the matter.

After consideration, the committee refused the application.

Complaints against various licence holders dealt with.

5 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 39 complaints against various licence holders.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the complaints as follows:-

Licence holder and reference number	*Decision*
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE	
Mohammed Yahyah (PV21860)	Licence revoked
Prestto Services Ltd (PV21443)	Licence revoked
Gerrard Durkin (PV20256)	Licence suspended for 6 weeks with immediate effect
Abduallah Ahmed (PV20277)	Licence suspended for 6 weeks with immediate effect
Fada Uwaifo (PV21240)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
A M Cars (PV21722)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Mohamed Ali (PV21741)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Mustafa Toprak (PV21751)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Brothers Cars 2 (PV21804)	Noted that licence had been surrendered
Atif Raja (PV21921)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Ahmed Chaudry (PV21939)	Licence suspended for 2 weeks with immediate effect
Dan Cars Ltd (PV22168)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV20607)	Licence suspended for 2 weeks with immediate effect
HPN Leasing (PV20374)	No action
HPN Leasing (PV21961)	No action
HPN Leasing (PV21962)	No action
HPN Leasing (PV21963)	No action
HPN Leasing (PV21964)	No action

HPN Leasing (PV21965)	No action
HPN Leasing (PV21966)	Licence suspended for 2 weeks with immediate effect
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20170)	Licence suspended for 4 weeks with immediate effect
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20718)	Licence suspended for 2 weeks with immediate effect
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20734)	No action
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20748)	Licence suspended for 2 weeks with immediate effect
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20750)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV21895)	Licence suspended for 2 weeks with immediate effect
Hassan Sheikh-Noor (PV22243)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance

TAXI LICENCE

Thistle Taxis (TV07701)	Licence suspended for 6 weeks with immediate effect
Forfar Taxis (TV07795)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Walker Gordon Taxis (TV07963)	Licence suspended for 4 months with immediate effect
Andy Taxi Service (TV08010)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Black Taxi Services (TV08252)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Kentigern Taxi Service (TV08463)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Mackay Taxis Service (TV08509)	Licence suspended for 4 months with immediate effect
Unity Taxis (TV08518)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance

Watters Cabs (TV08635)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Douglas Taxi Service (TV08798)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Major Taxis (TV08834)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Castle Taxis Service (TV08917)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 28th November 2023.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Anne McTaggart and Keiran O'Neill.

Attending: Z Chaudhry (Clerk); and J MacAskill (for the Head of Human Resources).

Appointment of Chair.

1 The committee agreed to appoint Councillor Casey to chair the meeting.

Exclusion of public.

2 The committee resolved, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public from the meeting as exempt information, as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Financial Services - Appeal against dismissal rejected.

3 The committee considered an appeal against dismissal by an employee previously employed in Financial Services.

Having heard the appellant, F Armstrong and C Weston, Financial Services, the committee, after discussion, rejected the appeal.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 28th November 2023.

Planning Applications Committee.

Present: Elaine Gallagher (Chair), Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Eva Bolander, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Thomas Kerr, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanzala Malik, Hanif Raja and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Ken Andrew, Maureen Burke and James Scanlon.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); S Connelly, A Dale, I Briggs and N Marr (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Site at Osborne Street/Old Wynd (Ward 10) - 23/01027/FUL - Erection of student accommodation (Sui generis) and associated ancillary works - Committee minded to conditionally grant planning permission – Dissent.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Nova Osborne Ltd for planning permission for the erection of student accommodation (Sui generis) and associated ancillary works at a site at Osborne Street/Old Wynd (Ward 10) - 23/01027/FUL.

After consideration, the committee, Councillor Bolander dissenting, agreed that it was minded to conditionally grant planning permission, subject to the completion of an agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.

Site to the east of 555 Prospecthill Road (Ward 7) - 19/02637/FUL - Erection of residential development (56 units) and associated works - Committee minded to conditionally grant planning permission – Dissent.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application from Cruden Estates Co Ltd for planning permission for the erection of a residential development (56 units) and associated works at a site to the east of 555 Prospecthill Road (Ward 7) - 19/02637/FUL.

After consideration, the committee, Councillor Wardrop dissenting, agreed that it was minded to conditionaly grant planning permission, subject to the completion of an agreement under Section 69 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

Adjournment.

3 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the committee agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1143 hours until 1150 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

4 The meeting resumed at 1150 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present:	Elaine Gallagher (Chair), Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Eva Bolander, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanzala Malik, Hanif Raja and Martha Wardrop.
Apologies:	Ken Andrew, Maureen Burke, Thomas Kerr and James Scanlon.
Attending:	D Brand (Clerk); S Connelly, A Dale, I Briggs and N Marr (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

184 Sauchiehall Street (Ward 10) – 23/01369/FUL and 23/01371/CON – Demolition of existing building and redevelopment of site etc - Planning permission and conservation area consent refused, after division.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding applications for planning permission and conservation area consent by Fusion Glasgow Devco Ltd for the substantial demolition in a conservation area of an existing building and the redevelopment of a site incorporating facade retention, erection of mixed-use development including purpose-built student accommodation (Sui Generis) and short-stay (non-term time) accommodation (Sui Generis), retail and professional services (Class 1A), restaurant (Class 3) uses, and non-residential institutions (Class 10) uses; with associated landscaping, access and infrastructure at 184 Sauchiehall Street (Ward 10) - 23/01369/FUL and 23/01371/CON.

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Alam, moved that the applications be conditionally granted.

Bailie Gallagher, seconded by Councillor Bolander, moved as an amendment that the applications be refused.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 5 members voted for the amendment and 5 for the motion. There being an equality of votes, the Chair gave her casting vote in favour of the amendment, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 12th December 2023.

Planning Applications Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Maureen Burke, Elaine Gallagher, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Thomas Kerr, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanif Raja, James Scanlon and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Eva Bolander and Hanzala Malik.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); I Briggs, A Dale and R Middleton (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); I Robertson, Director of City Development; and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

120 Acre Road (Ward 15) - 23/02562/FUL - Siting of shipping container for use as hot-food takeaway - Planning permission, conditionally granted, after division - Instruction to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Mr Rabnawaz Hussain for planning permission for the siting of a shipping container for use as a hot-food takeaway at 120 Acre Road (Ward 15) - 23/02562/FUL.

Councillor Andrew, seconded by Councillor Wardrop, moved that planning permission be refused.

Councillor Thomas Kerr, seconded by Bailie Raja, moved as an amendment that planning permission be conditionally granted and instructed the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to draft the appropriate conditions.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 8 members voted for the amendment and 4 for the motion. The amendment was accordingly declared to be carried.

Jimmy Johnstone Academy of Football, 835 Cathcart Road (Ward 7) - 23/01268/FUL - Erection of boundary fence/gate to sports pitch - Planning permission conditionally granted.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by the Jimmy Johnstone Football Academy for planning permission for the erection of a boundary fence/gate to a sports pitch at the Jimmy Johnstone Academy of Football, 835 Cathcart Road (Ward 7) - 23/01268/FUL.

After consideration, the committee, conditionally granted planning permission, subject to

(1) an amended condition No 3 to read:-

"Before any work on the site is begun, a scheme of landscaping shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The scheme shall include hard and soft landscaping works, boundary treatment(s), new permeable pathways, details of trees proposed and other features which are to be retained, and a programme for the implementation/phasing of the landscaping in relation to the construction of the development. All landscaping, including planting, seeding and hard landscaping, shall be completed in accordance with the approved scheme.

Reason: To ensure that the landscaping of the site contributes to the landscape quality and biodiversity of the area."; and

(2) an additional condition to read:-

"Before any work on the site is begun a finalised external colour scheme for the relocated storage containers shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority.

Reason: In order to protect the visual amenity of the surrounding area."

Lock up at 2 Botanic Crescent Lane (Ward 15) - 23/00669/FUL - Erection of 4 dwelling houses with associated parking - Withdrawn to future meeting.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Exchange Court Properties Ltd for planning permission for the erection of 4 dwelling houses with associated parking at a site of a lock up at 2 Botanic Crescent Lane (Ward 15) – 23/00669/FUL.

The committee noted that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability had requested that this item be withdrawn and submitted to a future meeting.

Lock up at 2 Botanic Crescent Lane (Ward 15) - 23/01828/CON - Complete demolition in conservation area - Withdrawn to future meeting.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Exchange Court Properties Ltd for conservation area consent for a complete demolition of a lock up in a conservation area at a site at 2 Botanic Crescent Lane (Ward 15) - 23/01828/CON.

The committee noted that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability had requested that this item be withdrawn and submitted to a future meeting.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 9th January 2024.

Planning Applications Committee.

Present: Elaine Gallagher (Chair), Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Maureen Burke, Thomas Kerr, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanif Raja, James Scanlon and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Ken Andrew, Eva Bolander and Fyeza Ikhlaq.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); A Dale and M Thomson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); I Robertson, Director of City Development; and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Lock up at 2 Botanic Crescent Lane (Ward 15) - 23/00669/FUL - Erection of 4 dwelling houses with associated parking – Planning permission conditionally granted.

1 With reference to the minutes of 12th December 2023 (page 102 hereof), when the committee agreed that this report be withdrawn from the agenda and submitted to a future meeting, there was submitted the report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Exchange Court Properties Ltd for planning permission for the erection of 4 dwelling houses with associated parking at a site of a lock up at 2 Botanic Crescent Lane (Ward 15) – 23/00669/FUL.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted planning permission.

Lock up at 2 Botanic Crescent Lane (Ward 15) - 23/01828/CON - Complete demolition in conservation area – Conservation area consent conditionally granted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 12th December 2023 (page 102 hereof), when the committee agreed that this report be withdrawn from the agenda and submitted to a future meeting, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Exchange Court Properties Ltd for conservation area consent for a complete demolition of a lock up in a conservation area at a site at 2 Botanic Crescent Lane (Ward 15) - 23/01828/CON.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted conservation area consent.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 23rd January 2024.

Planning Applications Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Declan Blench, Elaine Gallagher, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Thomas Kerr, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanif Raja and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Imran Alam, Eva Bolander, Maureen Burke and James Scanlon.

Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); A Dale (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); M McColgan (for the Director of Legal and Adminstration); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Carnbooth Hotel, 80A Busby Road (Ward 1) - 23/02842/LBA - Demolition of listed building (Retrospective) - Listed building consent conditionally granted.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Ivory Holdings Ltd for retrospective listed building consent including demolition for the Carnbooth Hotel, 80A Busby Road (Ward 1) – 23/02842/LBA.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted listed building consent, subject to an amended condition 01 to read:-

“The red sandstone porch, including carved and decorative stonework, shall be carefully dismantled and securely stored within three months of the date of this consent. These salvaged materials shall be secured until re-used either in any future redevelopment of the site or a further use for the materials is found within the local vicinity within the Glasgow City boundary. Details of the storage of the salvaged materials and their future use shall be submitted for the written approval of the Planning Authority. The salvaged materials shall be used in accordance with the approved use unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Planning Authority.

Reason - To ensure the retention of features of special architectural or historic interest.

Reason - To enable the Planning Authority to consider this/these aspect(s) in detail.

120 Acre Road (Ward 15) - 23/02562/FUL - Siting of shipping container for use as hot-food takeaway – Order to revoke permission agreed, after division - Instruction to officers.

2 With reference to the minutes of 12th December 2023 (page 101 hereof) conditionally granting planning permission for the siting of a shipping container for

use as a hot-food takeaway at 120 Acre Road (Ward 15) – 23/02562/FUL, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

(1) advising that since the decision had been made it had come to light that information relayed to committee regarding representations from the community council and the adjacent Acre Community Centre had been inaccurate and that both Maryhill and Summerston Community Council and Acre Tenants and Residents Association had in fact made representations to the application, contrary to what had been advised to committee;

(2) confirming that both representations focused on matters of anti-social behaviour and litter which were topics raised by other representations and which had been addressed in both the report and discussion at the meeting; and

(3) requesting the committee to consider if it wished to

(a) confirm the decision of 12th December 2023 to conditionally grant planning permission; or

(b) instruct officers to take the necessary steps to make an order seeking to revoke the planning permission conditionally granted on 12th December 2023.

Councillor Andrew, seconded by Bailie Gallagher moved that officers be instructed to take the necessary steps to make an order seeking to revoke planning permission.

Bailie Thomas Kerr, seconded by Bailie Raja moved as an amendment that committee confirm its decision to conditionally grant planning permission.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 2 members voted for the amendment and 7 for the motion, which was accordingly be declared to be carried.

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 5th December 2023.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Maureen Burke, Elaine Gallagher, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Paul Leinster, Hanzala Malik, James Scanlon and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Eva Bolander, Thomas Kerr and Kenny McLean.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); C Hunt, F Milne and S Taylor (Planning Advisors); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Appointment of Chair.

1 The committee agreed to appoint Councillor Andrew to chair the meeting.

201 Croftside Avenue (Ward 1) - 23/00052/LOCAL - Erection of dwellinghouse (Class 9) within garden of flatted dwelling, including car parking, landscaping and associated works - Planning permission conditionally granted, after division.

2 There was submitted a request by Mr C Ward for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse (Class 9) within the garden of a flatted dwelling, including car parking, landscaping and associated works at 201 Croftside Avenue (Ward 1) - 23/00052/LOCAL.

Councillor Andrew, seconded by Councillor Wardrop, moved that planning permission be refused.

Councillor Malik, seconded by Councillor Blench, moved as an amendment that planning permission be conditionally granted, subject to an additional condition No 20 to read:-

“Before any work on site is begun, a method statement setting out the arrangements for checking the waste from the demolition of the garages for contamination, and appropriately sorting and disposing of both contaminated and non-contaminated waste shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority.

Reason: To enable the planning authority to consider this/these aspect(s) in detail.”

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 6 members voted for the amendment and 3 for the motion. The amendment was accordingly delcared to carried.

134 Merrylee Road (Ward 1) - 23/00055/LOCAL - Erection of mixed use development, comprising of convenience store (Class 1A) and 20 residential flatted dwellings (Sui generis) with rooftop terrace and photovoltaic panel installation, access, delivery bay, car parking, landscaping and associated works – Consideration continued.

3 There was submitted a request by White Elephant Property Ltd for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a mixed use development, comprising of a convenience store (Class 1A) and 20 residential flatted dwellings (Sui generis) with rooftop terrace and photovoltaic panel installation, access, delivery bay, car parking, landscaping and associated works at 134 Merrylee Road (Ward 1) - 23/00055/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee continued consideration of the matter for the applicant to provide:-

(1) a flood risk assessment; and

(2) details of the landscaping for the car parking area.

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 16th January 2024.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Elaine Gallagher (Chair), Imran Alam, Ken Andrew, Declan Blench, Maureen Burke, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanif Raja, James Scanlon and Martha Wardrop.

Apology: Thomas Kerr.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); C Hunt, F Milne and S Taylor (Planning Advisors); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

Appointment of Chair.

1 The committee agreed to appoint Bailie Gallagher to chair the meeting.

14 Botanic Crescent (Ward 15) - 23/00060/LOCAL - Installation of PV panels on roof of dwellinghouse - Planning permission conditionally granted.

2 There was submitted a request by Mr Michael Smith for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the installation of PV panels on the roof of a dwellinghouse at 14 Botanic Crescent (Ward 15) - 23/00060/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted planning permission, subject to an additional condition to read:-

"03 Before any work on site is begun, a method statement setting out how the solar panels are to be fixed to the roof, so as to protect the fabric of the building, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority.

Reason: To enable the Planning Authority to consider this/these aspect(s) in detail."

Vacation of Chair.

3 Bailie Gallagher vacated the Chair, which was taken by Councillor Andrew for the remaining items of business.

28 Parkmeadow Avenue (Ward 3) - 23/00061/LOCAL - Erection of 2-storey extension to side of dwellinghouse - Planning permission conditionally granted.

4 There was submitted a request by Mr Gavin Logan for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a 2-storey extension to the side of a dwellinghouse at 28 Parkmeadow Avenue (Ward 3) - 23/00061/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted planning permission, subject to additional conditions to read:-

(1) "08 A statement on how the development will support and enhance biodiversity shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority before works commence. This statement shall be informed by policy guidance on biodiversity in the development plan, including City Development Plan policy CDP7 and Supplementary Guidance SG7 Natural Environment, and shall contain specific actions and/or works demonstrating agreed mitigation measures, where necessary, along with works and/or actions that support habitat creation and improve on-site biodiversity. The statement actions and or/works shall be carried out in accordance with a detailed timetable as set out in the approved statement.

Reason: To protect and enhance the biodiversity of the area."; and

(2) "09 A clear width of 900mm between the extension and the southern boundary of the site shall be provided along the entire length of the extension. This shall be provided before the development is occupied.

Reason: To allow for the free movement of refuse bins, garden and other tools and equipment between the rear and the front of the property."

1236 Maryhill Road (Ward 15) - 23/00062/LOCAL - Conversion of snooker room to form 3 additional flatted dwellings and alterations to existing flatted dwellings and associated works - Planning permission conditionally granted, after division.

5 There was submitted a request by One E11Even Ltd for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the conversion of a snooker room to form 3 additional flatted dwellings and alterations to the existing flatted dwellings and associated works at 1236 Maryhill Road (Ward 15) - 23/00062/LOCAL.

Councillor Alam, seconded by Councillor Burke, moved that planning permission be conditionally granted.

Councillor Andrew, seconded by Councillor Wardrop, moved as an amendment that planning permission be refused.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 4 members voted for the amendment and 6 for the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 30th January 2024.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present:	Ken Andrew (Chair), Declan Blench, Maureen Burke, Elaine Gallagher, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean and Martha Wardrop.
Apologies:	Eva Bolander, Thomas Kerr and James Scanlon.
Attending:	A Wyber (Clerk); F Milne and S Taylor (Planning Advisors); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

Appointment of Chair.

1 The committee agreed to appoint Councillor Andrew to chair the meeting.

169 Jordanhill Drive (Ward 12) – 23/00064/LOCAL – Erection of 2-storey extension to side, single storey extension with raised terrace and dormer window to rear etc – Planning permission conditionally granted.

2 There was submitted a request by Mrs Tatsiana McKee for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a 2-storey extension to the side, a single storey extension with a raised terrace and a dormer window to the rear, the formation of a porch and a bin store to the front, alterations to the front access and alterations to the ground levels of a dwellinghouse at 169 Jordanhill Drive (Ward 12) - 23/00064/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted planning permission, subject to the following additional condition to read:-

"09 The bin store shall be screened from public view. Details of the screening shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority before works begin and will be completed before the works hereby approved are occupied.

Reason: To enable the Planning Authority to consider this/these aspect(s) in detail and to protect the appearance of both the property itself and the surrounding area."

13 Crosbie Street (Ward 15) – 23/00067/LOCAL - Alterations to roof, installation of glazed doors to enlarged window openings and formation of roof terrace to rear of flatted dwelling – Planning permission refused.

3 There was submitted a request by Dr Gwen Keenan for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for alterations to the roof, the installation of

glazed doors to enlarged window openings and the formation of a roof terrace to the rear of a flatted dwelling at 13 Crosbie Street (Ward 15) - 23/00067/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee refused planning permission.

FINANCE AND AUDIT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 29th November 2023.

Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Frank McAveety (Chair), Alexander Belic, Jill Brown, Elaine Gallagher, Greg Hepburn, Paul Leinster, Anne McTaggart, Hanzala Malik, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Margaret Morgan and Jill Pidgeon (substitute for Jim Kavanagh).

Apologies: Sharon Greer, Jim Kavanagh and Thomas Kerr.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; D Black, Head of Audit and Inspection; G Slater (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); C MacKenzie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance); and R Wynne, EY.

Responses to questions noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a list of responses to the questions raised by members at the meeting of this committee on 1st November 2023.

Flexible retirement and redundancy/early retirement – Position noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a joint report by the Executive Director of Finance and the Head of Human Resources regarding the Local Government Pension Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2015 - Flexible Retirement and the Local Government (Compensation for Early Retirement) (Scotland) Regulations - Redundancy/Early Retirement, advising of the number of employees who had been granted permission, under delegated authority, to retire under the Council's Flexible Retirement, Redundancy and Early Retirement provisions in the period from 1st July to 30th September 2023, together with the associated costs and savings, as detailed in the report.

Treasury Management and Investment Annual Report 2022/23 and Treasury Management and Investment Strategy mid-year review 2023/24 noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Finance regarding treasury management activity, advising of

(1) capital expenditure and the financing requirement for 2022/23 together with the treasury position as at 31st March 2023;

(2) the treasury management and investment annual report for 2022/23 which detailed the overall performance for

(a) the economic outlook and interest rates;

(b) the overall strategy;

(c) borrowing and investment activity;

(d) performance indicators; and

(e) compliance with prudential and treasury indicators; and

(3) the mid year review of Treasury Management and Investment Strategy 2023/24, including treasury management and investment activities to 30th September 2023, with particular emphasis on

(a) the treasury position as at 30th September 2023;

(b) an update on the economic outlook and interest rates;

(c) capital expenditure and financing requirements;

(d) borrowing and investment activity;

(e) performance indicators; and

(f) compliance with prudential and treasury indicators.

Sundry Trusts and Funds – Position noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Financial and Business Services providing an update on the Council's Sundry Trusts and Funds for the financial year ending 31st March 2023, advising that

(1) the Council's Sundry Trusts and Funds had been set up from donations and bequests from individuals and organisations over many years and, following a review of the trusts, a restructure had been approved in 2009, which reduced the number of trusts from 120 to 13;

(2) there were 13 Sundry Trusts held with an overall balance of £18.174m as at 31st March 2023, which reflected a decrease in value of £0.081m from the previous year due mainly due to the net expenditure of the funds;

(3) of the 13 Sundry Trusts held:-

(a) 5 had charitable status and were subject to the requirements of the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator, with their accounts being required to comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and Accounting and Reporting by Charities:

Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102);

(b) 4 of the charitable trusts had reappointed Azets as auditors in July 2023 on a 2 year contract and the non-charitable trusts were audited as part of the Council's audit appointment with EY; and

(c) the Fossil Grove Trust had taken direct responsibility for the financial administration of that trust in 2018/19 and had completed its own arrangements in relation to its audit;

(4) details of the objectives of the 13 trusts were included in Appendix 1 to the report, showing the opening balance, expenditure and income during the year together with movement on investment; and

(5) the Sundry Trusts' investments were managed by the Council, with the majority of the funds invested on a longer-term basis with Ruffer LLP and that as at 31st March 2023 Ruffer LLP held £17.921m in Sundry Trusts investments.

Financial monitoring reports 2023/24 noted.

5 There were submitted and noted financial monitoring reports by the Executive Director of Finance in respect of Revenues, the General Fund, Services, Related Companies and Joint Boards and the Common Good Fund, for the period from 1st April to 21st September 2023, including details of Civic Hospitality commitments for 2023/24 – 2026/27.

Investment Programme 2023/24 - Monitoring reports noted.

6 There were submitted and noted financial monitoring reports by the Executive Director of Finance in respect of the Investment Programme and Transformation Programme and receipts from Asset Sales for the period from 1st April to 21st September 2023**.**

Arms Length External Organisations - Quarterly performance report 2023/24 noted.

7 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Finance providing financial and other operating information on the Council's Arms Length External Organisations for the period from 1st April to 21st September 2023.

Internal audits noted – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection etc.

8 There were submitted reports by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the findings of the following audits carried out:-

(1) Financial Services:-

(a) Payroll Verification; and

(b) Blue Badge Application (Northgate);

(2) Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability:-

(a) Carbon Management Governance; and

(b) Infrastructure Asset Management; and

(3) SAP P1 Incident.

After consideration, the committee

(i) noted the contents of the reports; and

(ii) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit follow up reports showing progress towards achievement of the action plans arising from the audits undertaken.

Internal Audit performance – 2023/24 mid-year update noted.

9 There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection regarding the performance of the Internal Audit section within Financial Services for the period from 1st April to 31st October 2023, advising

(1) of the various areas of performance, including the Internal Audit team establishment, key priorities performance update, work and efficiency and an update on 2022/23 significant issues and Annual Service Plan and Improvement Report targets;

(2) of the number and range of whistleblowing cases raised up to 31st October 2023, the subsequent enquiries undertaken and the outcome of the completed enquiries to date, together with an update on cases that were ongoing at the end of the 2022/23 financial year as detailed in the report;

(3) of the work of the Corporate Fraud and Investigation Team and that during the first 7 months of 2023/24 it had identified savings of over £1.6m for the Council and the wider public purse which was an increase on the identified savings of £817,000 in 2022/23, which was mainly due to a rise in referrals of fraudulent homeless applications;

(4) that after submitting data in October 2022 for the 2022/23 National Fraud Initiative (NFI), the Council had received a total of 22,918 matches to investigate in early 2023 and with further matches having been released during the year as the NFI updated the information, a total of 27,646 matches had now been received;

(5) that as part of the Audit Glasgow initiative, the audit team undertook audit assignments and provided support to other public sector organisations and over the lifetime of the project income of over £520,000 had been generated, with income of £160,000 anticipated this year;

(6) of the participation in the UK Core Cities Internal Audit group which included taking part in a benchmarking exercise to understand the approach taken by peers and other local authorities;

(7) of the expanded use of data analytics within the audit approach which allowed auditors to obtain the necessary assurance more efficiently by automating some key elements of audit fieldwork and of the opportunity to work with services to embed data analytics into real-time first line assurance which could offer efficiencies and enhancements within the system of internal control; and

(8) of the new Scottish Local Authorities Chief Internal Audit Group (SLACIAG) working group on data analytics, supported by the Institute of Internal Auditors and that SLACIAG had allowed Internal Audit teams to share experiences and examples of good practice.

FINANCE AND AUDIT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 24th January 2024.

Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Frank McAveety (Chair), Alexander Belic, Jill Brown, Elaine Gallagher, Sharon Greer, Greg Hepburn, Jim Kavanagh, Thomas Kerr, Paul Leinster, Anne McTaggart, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux and Margaret Morgan.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; D Black, Head of Audit and Inspection; T Hughes (for the Head of Human Resources); C MacKenzie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance); R Watson (for the Managing Director, City Property Glasgow (Investments) LLP); and R Wynne, EY.

Responses to questions noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a list of responses to the questions raised by members at the meeting of this committee on 29th November 2023.

Flexible retirement and redundancy/early retirement – Position noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a joint report by the Executive Director of Finance and the Head of Human Resources regarding the Local Government Pension Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2015 - Flexible Retirement and the Local Government (Compensation for Early Retirement) (Scotland) Regulations - Redundancy/Early Retirement, advising of the number of employees who had been granted permission, under delegated authority, to retire under the Council's Flexible Retirement, Redundancy and Early Retirement provisions in the period from 1st October to 31st December 2023, together with the associated costs and savings, as detailed in the report.

Common Good Fund property portfolio – Current position noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Financial and Business Services providing an update on the management of the Common Good Fund property portfolio by City Property Glasgow (Investments) LLP,

(1) advising that

(a) the total annual rent for the portfolio as at 31st December 2023 was £292,492 (net of VAT) and this was an increase of £12,852 since the last report in August 2023;

(b) the total non-recoverable costs, primarily non-domestic rates costs from 1st July to 31st December 2023 was £7,147, an increase of £354 since the last report in August 2023; and

(c) the total rent arrears across the portfolio as at 31st December 2023 was £72,569, which was a reduction of £18,352 since the last report in August 2023; and

(2) concluding that over the next 6 months City Property Glasgow (Investments) LLP would

(a) endeavour to complete all outstanding transactions/negotiations and secure lettings following marketing of those subjects which remained vacant; and

(b) continue

(i) to monitor repair and maintenance expenditure to protect asset value;

(ii) to maximise income through increased rental by undertaking rent reviews and lease renewals where appropriate;

(iii) to pursue debt and implement payment plans and legal action as appropriate; and

(iv) with a programme of regular inspection to ensure tenant compliance with leasehold obligations.

Internal audits noted – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.

4 There were submitted reports by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the findings of the following audits carried out:-

(1) Chief Executive's Department:-

(a) Payroll Verification;

(b) Children's Holiday Food and Activity Programme; and

(c) Glasgow Gift Cards;

(2) Corporate Review:-

(a) IT Service Requests & Incident Management; and

(b) Pay360 Income Management System;

(3) Education Services and Financial Services – School Financial Processes;

(4) Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability:–

(a) Payroll Verification; and

(b) Alarm Receiving Centre 2023/24 Reviews; and

(5) Social Work Services – Payroll Verification.

After consideration, the committee

(i) noted the contents of the reports; and

(ii) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit follow up reports showing progress towards achievement of the action plans arising from the audits undertaken.

Audit recommendations - Progress noted etc.

5 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection providing an update on the status of audit recommendations agreed previously with services,

(1) advising that since the last report to this committee on 27th September 2023 (Print 4, page 133), services had been responsible for following up recommendations that were due to have been implemented, with 50 remaining outstanding as at 8th December 2023 split across each service area, as detailed in the report;

(2) intimating that during the period from 1st September to 8th December 2023 services had satisfactorily implemented 73 recommendations, as detailed in the report; and

(3) detailing a summary of outstanding recommendations by service area and priority, together with the register of all recommendations that had still to be implemented, as detailed in an appendix to the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the progress made in terms of the recommendations implemented; and

(b) that further reports advising of the implementation of outstanding recommendations would be submitted in due course.

OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 10th January 2024.

Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Maureen Burke (Chair), Imran Alam, Christina Cannon (substitute for Richard Bell), Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Feargal Dalton, John Daly, Elaine Gallagher, William Graham, Robert Mooney (substitute for Patricia Ferguson), Jill Pidgeon, Roza Salih, Catherine Vallis and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Richard Bell and Patricia Ferguson.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); M Booth, Executive Director of Finance, D Black, Head of Audit and Inspection, M McGinty, Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, K Strachan (for the Chief Executive), C Francis, D Hay, E Parkes and J Sheddan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and C MacKenzie (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

Response to questions noted.

1 There was submitted a response to questions raised by members at the meeting of this committee on 15th November 2023.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the responses; and

(b) that responses to any questions raised at this meeting would be submitted to the next meeting of this committee.

Strategic Plan - Grand Challenge 4 – Enable staff to deliver essential services in a sustainable, innovative and efficient way for our communities - Missions 1, 2 and 3 - Service commitments noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 16th November 2022 (Print 4, page 414) approving a performance toolkit that would capture the actions and underpin the Grand Challenges and Missions contained within the Council's Strategic Plan 2022-27, there was submitted a report by the Chief Executive focussing on Grand Challenge 4: Enable staff to deliver essential services in a sustainable, innovative and efficient way for our communities, Missions 1, 2 and 3,

(1) advising

(a) of the work underway across a number of key areas to support the plan's commitments; and

(b) that the annual review of the Council's Strategic Plan was currently underway and this would ensure that the plan and its commitments continued to provide a strategic focus on delivery in light of recent budget considerations and in order to take account of emerging cost of living responses; and

(2) detailing in an appendix to the report, examples of work underway by the Chief Executive's Department, Neighbourhoods Regeneration and Sustainability and Financial Services across key areas to deliver those commitments, focussing particularly on Grand Challenge 4 and the undernoted Missions:-

(a) Mission 1: Create safe, clean and thriving neighbourhoods;

(b) Mission 2: Run an open, well governed Council in partnership with all our communities; and

(c) Mission 3: Enable staff to deliver a sustainable and innovative Council structure that delivers value for money.

After consideration, the committee noted

(i) the Grand Challenges, Missions and Commitments within the Strategic Plan; and

(ii) those emerging commitments highlighted within the Cost of Living lens and the inclusion of broader commitments outwith that lens.

Flooding - Gully maintenance and drainage capacity noted - Instruction to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

3 With reference to the minutes of 13th September 2023 (Print 4, page 413) when this committee requested further information in relation to flooding and how the Council prepared and responded to flooding events in the city, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, advising of

(1) the arrangements in place to respond to flooding events, that included the establishment of a Severe Weather Control Room that co-ordinated and deployed resources to flooded areas;

(2) the effectiveness of the cyclical gully maintenance programe for the city's 78,000 road gullies; and

(3) the drainage capacity of both road gullies and Scottish Water sewers and how they were designed to cope with differing rainfall intensities.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the

(i) arrangments in place to respond to flooding events;

(ii) effectiveness of the gulley cleaing programme; and

(iii) capacity challenges facing the city's draining infrastructure; and

(b) instructed the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to provide details for each Council Ward, of the gulley maintenance programme which should include details of Wards that had been completed and those that were outstanding

Development of climate impact assessment - Progress update noted.

4 With reference to the minutes of 8th February 2023 (Print 6, page 596) noting the proposed methodology and indicative timescales for the delivery of a Climate Change Impact Assessment (CCIA), there was submitted a report by the Chief Executive providing an update on the development of the CCIA along with the next steps and expected roll out of the process in early 2024, advising

(1) that work had been ongoing throughout 2023 to develop an appropriate CCIA, with the initial timescale of May 2023 for rollout having been delayed to reflect the outcomes of an Equality Impact Assessment process audit and guidance refresh;

(2) of a revised CCIA framework that would take account of UN Sustainable Development Goals and include a City Portrait Lens approach; and

(3) subject to approval at the Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee on 16th January 2024, the rollout of training and the CCIA process to wider Council staff should commence in early 2024, with prioritisation given to elected members on key committees.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the development of the CCIA and the inclusion of the City Portrait Lens in the revised assessment framework; and

(b) that any further developments would be notified to this committee.