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Glasgow City Council

2023/24 – Print 5

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MINUTES

OF

GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL.

Glasgow, 26th October 2023.

Hybrid meeting, Glasgow City Council.

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

SAQIB AHMED	STEPHEN DOCHERTY	ELAINE McSPORRAN
SUSAN AITKEN	LAURA DOHERTY	ANNE McTAGGART
IMRAN ALAM	STEPHEN DORNAN	HANZALA MALIK
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JOHN CARSON	ALEX KERR	ROZA SALIH
ANTHONY CARROLL	THOMAS KERR	FRANNY SCALLY
ALLAN CASEY	KEVIN LALLEY	JAMES SCANLON
ANNETTE CHRISTIE	PAUL LEINSTER	SORYIA SIDDIQUE
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AUDREY DEMPSEY	NORMAN MacLEOD	

LORD DEAN OF GUILD

Apologies: Lilith Johnstone, Jim Kavanagh, Paul McCabe and Christy Mearns and Deacon Convener.

Attending: M Millar, Head of Legal and Democratic Services; 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; S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; I Robertson, Director of City Development; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; and C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance.

Emergency motions dealt with.

1 The Lord Provost intimated that, in terms of Standing Order No 12 (3), emergency motions by Councillor Susan Aitken, on Gaza, and Councillor Jon Molyneux, on Council Tax, had been delivered to the Chief Executive prior to the meeting. The Lord Provost having agreed that the motions were relevant, competent and urgent, the Council agreed to deal with them at this meeting.

Minutes approved.

2 The minutes of the Council meeting of 7th September 2023 (Print 4, pages 1 to 28) 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 31st August and 14th and 28th September 2023 (Print 4, pages 29 to 54);

(2) City Policy Committees

(a) Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration of 26th September 2023 (Print 4, pages 55 to 60);

(b) Education, Skills and Early Years of 28th September 2023 (Print 4, pages 61 to 64);

(c) Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods of 3rd October 2023 (Print 4, pages 65 to 70);

(d) Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring of 19th September 2023 (Print 4, pages 71 to 74); and

(e) Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement of 21st September 2023 (Print 4, pages 75 to 78);

(3) Contracts and Property Committee of 14th September and 5th October 2023 (Print 4, pages 79 to 88);

(4) Licensing and Regulatory Committee of 30th August, 13th, 20th and 27th September and 4th October 2023 (Print 4, pages 89 to 112);

(5) Planning Applications Committee of 29th August and 12th and 26th September 2023 (Print 4, pages 113 to 118);

(6) Planning Local Review Committee of 5th and 19th September and 3rd October 2023 (Print 4, pages 119 to 126);

(7) Scrutiny Committees

(a) Finance and Audit of 30th August and 27th September 2023 (Print 4, pages 127 to 134); and

(b) Operational Performance and Delivery of 13th September 2023 (Print 4, pages 135 to 136); and

(8) Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee of 13th September 2023 (Print 4, pages 137 to 139).

Changes to committees approved.

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

Committee etc.	*Appointment*
Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee	Remove Richard Bell and appoint Stephen Dornan
Licensing & Regulatory Committee	Remove Bailie Thomas Kerr
Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee	Remove Stephen Dornan and appoint Richard Bell

Appointments and representation on outside bodies approved.

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

Organisation	*Appointment*
Provan Hall Trust	Remove Maureen Burke and appoint Sharon Greer

Correspondence noted.

6 There was submitted and noted a letter from Mims Davies MP, Minister for Social Mobility, Youth and Progression, in response to a motion on Child Poverty and Children's Holiday Food and Activity programme approved by this Council on 22nd June 2023 (Print 3, page 12).

Questions.

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

Questioner	*Question*	*Answered by*
Councillor George Redmond	To ask the relevant Convener if they can confirm that there will be commitment to compensate local authorities due to the Council Tax freeze announced by the Scottish Government? In addition, the Council needs a commitment from the Scottish Government that this announcement will not have an impact on Glasgow City Council's services?	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Councillor Soryia Siddique	To ask the relevant Convener for an update on discussions that have taken place between the administration and the Scottish Government regarding the manifesto commitment to introduce legislation to give Glasgow City Council powers to make Compulsory Sales Orders, following the leaders public statement that Glasgow needs this power?	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Councillor Cecilia O'Lone	To ask the relevant Convener what actions are Glasgow Life taking to find the £3million worth of items listed as missing or stolen, including Auguste Rodin's Les Bourgeois de Calais?	Bailie Annette Christie, City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations
Bailie Patricia Ferguson	To ask relevant Convener what the departments policy is with regards to the maintenance of roadside gullies in areas known to flood?	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Jon Molyneux	To ask the Chair of the Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee whether he will ask the Fund's officers to update	Councillor Richard Bell, City Convener for Financial Inclusion,

	their climate assessment of Equinor in light of the approval of the Rosebank oil and gas field?	Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer
Councillor Martha Wardrop	To ask the Leader of the Council to update on actions taken subsequent to the recent meeting of the Emergency Committee regarding the Home Office's streamlined asylum process, and whether the UK Government has offered any suggestion it cares about the significant impact this will have on the Council, its financial position, and on those directly impacted?	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Councillor Sean Ferguson	Can the City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations advise us of the progress being made on the strategic plan commitment to Celebrate Glasgow's 850th birthday in 2025?	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Councillor Eva Bolander	Glasgow has recently been ranked 61st in the World's Top 100 Cities by Resonance. Can the Leader of the Council explain the significance of this for the city, its international reputation and its economy?	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Councillor Holly Bruce	To ask the relevant Convener what is the status of Mount Florida Community Council's Letherby Triangle project, if there have been any barriers to delivery and if so, how can GCC overcome those barriers?	Councillor Angus Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Transport
Bailie Ann Jenkins	To ask the relevant Convener how individuals who do not have online access make a request for a brown bin permit? In addition, what is the timetabling for the introduction of brown bin permits? And has there been proper engagement?	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Bailie Patricia Ferguson	To ask the chair of Glasgow Life when the investigation into the possibility of RAAC concrete being present in the structure of Drumchapel Pool will be completed? Can the Convener also confirm if there are any indicative timeframes for the reopening of Drumchapel Swimming Pool?	Bailie Annette Christie, City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations

Councillor Keiran O'Neill	To ask the relevant Convener what representations the Council has made to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service regarding the removal of several fire appliances across the city and the loss of 24-hour boat rescue team from the Clyde?	Councillor Greg Hepburn, City Convener for Open Government, Council Business Manager
Councillor Blair Anderson	To ask the relevant Convener for an update on work being undertaken to identify and mitigate the impact of RAAC in Glasgow?	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Audrey Dempsey	To ask the relevant Convener why CCTV operations have been reduced from 24/7 to 12/7 and what is being done to ensure the safety of citizens?	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets

Emergency motion on Gaza – Motion as adjusted, approved.

8 Councillor Aitken, seconded by Councillor Ghani, moved that:-

"Council unequivocally condemns the terrorist attacks by Hamas, calls for the unconditional release of all hostages and recognises the right of Israel, in common with all nations, to protect itself from terror. Council shares the sorrow and outrage of Glasgow's Jewish community and offers our deepest condolences in particular to the family of Glaswegian Bernard Cowan, who was murdered in the attacks.

Council recognises that a humanitarian catastrophe is unfolding in Gaza. Council agrees with the comments on Saturday 21st October 2023 by the Secretary General of the United Nations calling for a "humanitarian ceasefire" and demanding "action to end this godawful nightmare".

Council further recognises that civilians can only evacuate if there is an open border crossing to allow them to leave and they can travel safely without the risk of being caught up in military attacks; further recognises that many people, including the very young, very old and the infirm, cannot leave. Council supports calls for a humanitarian corridor, protected by a ceasefire, to be agreed to allow people to leave and civilian supplies, including food, fuel, water and medical supplies, to reach those who cannot leave.

Council further believes international law must be respected, rejects collective punishment, believes that innocent people must not pay the price for the actions of Hamas and is appalled by the escalating civilian death toll in Gaza.

Council recognises that many families and communities in Glasgow are affected by violence in the region; offers condolence to all those who have suffered as a result of this horrific conflict; and resolves to be alert to, and to stand up against,

discrimination and hate crime; and resolves that there is no place for antisemitism, Islamophobia or hatred of any kind in Glasgow.

Council calls on the UK Government to support a ceasefire and humanitarian corridor, to commit supplies and aid to mitigate the human tragedy unfolding in Gaza and to be prepared to offer sanctuary and support to Palestinian refugees."

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Siddique, moved as an amendment that:-

(1) at the first paragraph after "offers our deepest condolences in particular to the family of Glaswegian Bernard Cowan, who was murdered in the attacks" insert the following sentence:

"Glasgow sends its condolences and sympathy to all the innocent families both in Israel and Palestine who have been caught up in this horrifying crisis.";

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(2) at the third paragraph delete "to be agreed to allow people to leave**"** and insert the following after "medical supplies":

"to reach those currently inside Palestine, including aid workers";

(3) after the third paragraph insert the following:

"Council condemns the actions of the Israeli Government in their disproportionate response by withholding basic necessities from innocent civilians in Gaza and agrees that Israel must respect international law".; and

(4) at the fourth paragraph after "Council further believes international law must be respected, rejects collective punishment, believes that innocent people must not pay the price for the actions of Hamas and is appalled by the escalating civilian death toll in Gaza" insert the following final paragraph:

"Council further calls for the international community to revisit UN resolution 242, supporting a long term, peaceful, two-state solution for both Israel and Palestine."

Bailie Massie, seconded by Councillor Hutchison, moved as an amendment that:

(a) at the first paragraph

(i) after "Council unequivocally condemns the terrorist attacks by Hamas" add "and the previous and subsequent war crimes by the Israeli Defence Forces";

(ii) after "calls for the unconditional release of all hostages" add "held by Hamas and for the release of the 5200 Palestinians held in Israeli jails.";

(iii) after "recognises the right of Israel" add "and Palestine"; and

(iv) after “in common with all nations, to protect itself from terror” add “but urges both sides to heed calls for a ceasefire and to work towards peace.”; and

(b) at the end of the fourth paragraph insert the following:

“Council further believes that the ethno-nationalist administrations of both Benjamin Netanyahu and Ismail Haniyeh are not conducive to the ultimate goal of peace and believes that both the persistent political crisis over the last 5 years in Israel and the fact that Palestine haven’t held elections in 17 years has been a significant factor in this most recent conflict.”

Councillor Aitken, with the approval of her seconder, and subject to the placement of the wording in the motion, accepted the amendments by Bailie Raja and Bailie Massie, resulting in the following adjusted motion:

“Council unequivocally condemns the terrorist attacks by Hamas, calls for the unconditional release of all hostages and recognises the right of Israel, in common with all nations, to protect itself from terror. Council shares the sorrow and outrage of Glasgow’s Jewish community and offers our deepest condolences in particular to the family of Glaswegian Bernard Cowan, who was murdered in the attacks.

Glasgow sends its condolences and sympathy to all the innocent families both in Israel and Palestine who have been caught up in this horrifying crisis.

Council recognises that a humanitarian catastrophe is unfolding in Gaza. Council agrees with the comments on Saturday 21st October 2023 by the Secretary General of the United Nations calling for a “humanitarian ceasefire” and demanding “action to end this godawful nightmare”.

Council further recognises that civilians can only evacuate if there is an open border crossing to allow them to leave and they can travel safely without the risk of being caught up in military attacks; further recognises that many people, including the very young, very old and the infirm, cannot leave. Council supports calls for a humanitarian corridor, protected by a ceasefire, to be agreed to allow people to leave and civilian supplies, including food, fuel, water and medical supplies, to reach those currently inside Palestine, including aid workers.

Council further believes international law must be respected, rejects collective punishment, believes that innocent people must not pay the price for the actions of Hamas and is appalled by the escalating civilian death toll in Gaza.

Council condemns the actions of the Israeli Government and the previous and subsequent war crimes by the Israeli Defence Forces, in their disproportionate response by withholding basic necessities from innocent civilians in Gaza and agrees that Israel must respect international law. Council calls for the release of the 5200 Palestinians held in Israeli jails.

Council recognises that many families and communities in Glasgow are affected by violence in the region; offers condolence to all those who have suffered as a result

of this horrific conflict; and resolves to be alert to, and to stand up against, discrimination and hate crime; and resolves that there is no place for antisemitism, Islamophobia or hatred of any kind in Glasgow.

Council calls on the UK Government to support a ceasefire and humanitarian corridor, to commit supplies and aid to mitigate the human tragedy unfolding in Gaza and to be prepared to offer sanctuary and support to Palestinian refugees.

Council further calls for the international community to revisit UN resolution 242, supporting a long term, peaceful, two-state solution for both Israel and Palestine and urges both sides to heed calls for a ceasefire and to work towards peace.

Council further believes that the ethno-nationalist administrations of both Benjamin Netanyahu and Ismail Haniyeh are not conducive to the ultimate goal of peace and believes that both the persistent political crisis over the last 5 years in Israel and the fact that Palestine haven't held elections in 17 years has been a significant factor in this most recent conflict."

The motion as adjusted was approved unanimously.

Adjournment.

9 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1240 hours until 1345 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

10 The meeting resumed at 1345 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

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

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Emergency motion on Council Tax – Motion as adjusted approved, after division.

11 Councillor Molyneux, seconded by Councillor Anderson, moved that:-

"Council notes the announcement on 17th October 2023 of proposals by the First Minister to freeze Council Tax next year.

Council believes that the way the policy was announced at SNP Conference, without the agreement of CoSLA, was unacceptable and not in line with the principles of partnership, trust and mutual respect which underpins the spirit and letter of both the Verity House and the Bute House Agreements. Council believes that Council Tax is a local tax and it should always be decided by local councillors and that failure to respect this damages trust between local and national government.

Council also reiterates its belief that Council Tax is an inherently regressive tax and acknowledges that freezing Council Tax disproportionately benefits those who are better-off at the expense of the less well-off, who rely more on local services.

Council notes that the First Minister has said the freeze will be “fully-funded” but also recognises that there is not yet an agreed definition of what that means, creating considerable uncertainty for Councils in the context of their respective medium-term financial strategies.

Council therefore agrees to write to the First Minister urging him to step back from this announcement and engage constructively with local government, in line with the values of the Verity House Agreement, to agree an overall, fair financial settlement which ensures Councils can autonomously make appropriate choices on Council Tax and funding for local services, in the context of the ongoing cost-of-living crisis. Council also agrees to ask the First Minister to guarantee immediate and meaningful progress on the long-overdue reform to local taxation by setting out a timetable for finally replacing the council tax.”

Councillor Bell, seconded by Bailie Pike, moved as an amendment to delete all after the first paragraph and replace with the following:-

“Council understands the context of political speeches at party conferences where policy proposals are set out.

Council agrees that this proposal will give households certainty about their Council Tax bill which as citizens, including those who are eligible to pay full Council Tax, continue to deal with the impact of rampant inflation and the cost-of-living crisis. Council agrees that this freeze must be fully funded.

Council notes the First Minister has said that acceptance of funding to implement a freeze is optional for local authorities, however, Council agrees that where the opportunity for additional funding exists, it would rather support its services from funding from the Scottish Government rather than leaving any gap to be borne by our citizens at such a challenging time.

Council notes the concern around the way that this announcement has been made and agrees that engagement with local government and COSLA is crucial to determine how this proposal will work.

Council agrees that local taxation reform is long overdue and instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Scottish Government to seek urgent clarity on how funding will be made available for a Council Tax freeze and what progress is being made to replace Council Tax with local taxation methods that are progressive, fairer to both households and individual local authorities, and provide a more diverse and resilient local tax base.”

Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor McAveety, moved as an amendment to delete in the fifth paragraph:

“Council also agrees to ask the First Minister to guarantee immediate and meaningful progress on the long-overdue reform to local taxation by setting out a timetable for finally replacing the council tax” and replace with the following:-

"Council also agrees that any future reform of Council Tax, as per the verity House Agreement should include local government representatives through COSLA, both in consultation and in decision making process."

Councillor Molyneux, with the approval of his seconder, accepted part of the amendment by Councillor Brown, resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

"Council notes the announcement on 17 October 2023 of proposals by the First Minister to freeze Council Tax next year.

Council believes that the way the policy was announced at SNP Conference, without the agreement of CoSLA, was unacceptable and not in line with the principles of partnership, trust and mutual respect which underpins the spirit and letter of both the Verity House and the Bute House Agreements. Council believes that Council Tax is a local tax and it should always be decided by local councillors and that failure to respect this damages trust between local and national government.

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On a vote being taken electronically and by roll call, 35 members voted for the amendment and 44 for the motion as adjusted which was accordingly declared to be carried.

Challenge Poverty Week.

12 Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor McTaggart, moved that:-

"Council notes Challenge Poverty Week 2023 earlier this month and recognises that for Glasgow City Council challenging poverty is a whole systems, long term

commitment as set in our 2022-2027 strategic plan Grand Challenge to "Reduce poverty and inequality in our communities" and "Increase opportunity and prosperity for all our citizens"

Council further recognises that Glasgow is now in the worrying business of helping put food onto tables and heat homes, which is seeing financial and physical capacity diverted from the long-term work of improving life chances and outcomes towards the day-to-day support of the increasing numbers of citizens in financial crisis.

Council notes that poverty is a complex and multi-layered and multigenerational problem which has no simple solutions but wide ranging and long lasting consequences for individuals, families and communities.

Council believes that ending poverty, including child poverty in the city requires significant leadership and urgency from all levels of government, UK, Scottish and local government, and the use of a myriad of different approaches to resolve ingrained poverty and bold long term action must be taken to increase people's income and ensure everyone can afford the essentials.

Council welcomes the increase to the Scottish Child Payment which it is estimated will lift 50,000 children in Scotland out of poverty and reduce child poverty by 5 percentage points.

Council condemns the UK Westminster Government who have inflicted over a decade of austerity on the people of Glasgow. Council believes that these policies are both deliberate and vindictive against our citizens. Council agrees that Brexit continues to have a negative impact on our citizens and is a direct contributor to the cost-of-living crisis being worse in the UK than it is elsewhere in Europe.

Council further believes that the two child limit is a scar on the soul of society directly responsible for plunging over a million children into poverty (or deeper poverty) and the two child limit is the worst example of these punitive, pointless and unproductive policies; and, that the objective of reducing child poverty cannot be achieved without scrapping it, and that abolishing the policy will have an immediate beneficial impact on children suffering hardship.

Council calls on all parties to commit to repealing the two-child limit on benefits immediately. Council calls on all political parties to pledge in their forthcoming UK election manifestos to not only immediately repeal the two child benefit cap, but also the bedroom tax, the five-week wait for Universal Credit and sanctions and payments deducted at source from Universal Credit, as well as demanding restoration of ringfenced funding for devolved governments and local councils to provide crisis support for families."

Councillor Jassemi, seconded by Councillor Pidgeon, moved as an amendment to delete all after the fifth paragraph and insert the following:-

“Council notes that in 16 years of SNP Government, inadequate measures have been taken to reduce the levels of child poverty in society. Many powers available

to the Scottish Government have not been utilised, and Scotland is currently not on track to meet its statutory target of reducing child poverty to 18% by 2024. Council agrees that it needs both Governments to work in conjunction to tackle poverty, rather than fighting against each other at every opportunity. Council therefore resolves to write to the Scottish Government, urging them to use their current powers to do more to tackle child poverty in Glasgow.

Council notes that far too many working people face poverty in our country. Council agrees that we urgently need a new deal for working people, driving up wages and ensuring basic rights and protections such as sick pay, holiday pay and parental leave are all guaranteed in law. Banning exploitative zero-hour contracts and strengthening trade union rights to raise pay and provide better conditions will further improve the lives of working people and help lift many out of poverty.

Councils agrees that the current UK Conservative Government have inflicted years of austerity and economic stagnation which has left our country poorer and plunged thousands of hard-working families into poverty. Council further agrees that the current Universal Credit system is deeply flawed and unfair and needs reformed to help people get into work. Council agrees that Glasgow needs a UK Government focused on growing our economy and breaking the class ceiling, with tackling poverty and improving life opportunities at the foundation and core of everything it does."

Adjournment.

13 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1430 hours until 1445 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

14 The meeting resumed at 1445 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	ANNE McTAGGART
BLAIR ANDERSON	PATRICIA FERGUSON	HANZALA MALIK
KEN ANDREW	SEAN FERGUSON	LEÒDHAS MASSIE
ALEXANDER BELIC	ELAINE GALLAGHER	ANGUS MILLAR
RICHARD BELL	ZEN GHANI	MALCOLM MITCHELL
DECLAN BLENCH	ALLAN GOW	ROBERT MOONEY
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	RUAIRI KELLY	LANA REID-MCCONNELL
JOHN CARSON	ALEX KERR	ROZA SALIH
ANTHONY CARROLL	THOMAS KERR	FRANNY SCALLY
ALLAN CASEY	KEVIN LALLEY	JAMES SCANLON
ANNETTE CHRISTIE	PAUL LEINSTER	SORYIA SIDDIQUE
CHRIS CUNNINGHAM	FRANK McAVEETY	KIERAN TURNER
STEPHEN CURRAN	PAUL MCCABE	CATHERINE VALLIS
FEARGAL DALTON	ELAINE McDOUGALL	MARTHA WARDROP
JOHN DALY	KENNY McLEAN	ALEX WILSON
AUDREY DEMPSEY		

LORD DEAN OF GUILD

Apologies: Lilith Johnstone, Jim Kavanagh, Paul McCabe, Christy Mearns, Jon Molyneux and Deacon Convener.

Attending: M Millar, Head of Legal and Democratic Services; 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; S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; I Robertson, Director of City Development; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; and C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance.

Challenge Poverty Week – Motion approved, after division.

15 Bailie Thomas Kerr, seconded by Councillor Daly, moved as an amendment to delete all from paragraph 5 onwards and replace with the following:-

"Council recognises that the best route of poverty remains work and that there are 200,000 more people in employment across Scotland since June 2010 and that the UK economy grew faster than any other country in the G7 last year.

Council further recognises that the two-child limit for certain benefits has saved the taxpayer around £300 million a year and notes that there are exemptions to the cap for vulnerable families.

Council notes the Scottish Government's failure to reduce child poverty during its time in power, with the rate remaining stable across Scotland since 2007. Despite having the ability Council notes that SNP Minister's in Holyrood have not acted on the two-child limit and instead continue to play party politics with poverty rather than meaningfully engage with others to tackle child poverty.

Council calls on the Scottish Government to use the powers devolved to it by the UK Government to tackle poverty and notes that the Scottish Government is not due to take control of devolved benefits until 2026, 10 years after these powers were devolved."

On a vote being taken by calling the roll 2 members voted for the amendment by Bailie Thomas Kerr, 33 for the amendment by Councillor Jassemi and 43 for the motion which was accordingly declared to be carried.

Homelessness and Housing – Motion dealt with, after division.

16 Councillor Siddique, seconded by Councillor McDougall, moved that:-

"Considering the current housing shortage in Glasgow, increasing homelessness and the scale of the predicted housing demand increased by accelerated decision making process for asylum applications.

The Council agrees to establish a Glasgow Homelessness and Housing Taskforce, led by Council Officials and representatives from Wheatley Group and other RSLs, the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP), City Building, West of Scotland Housing Forum, and other relevant Third Sector Partners. This Taskforce should prepare a Homelessness Action Plan to be presented to the relevant Policy Committee in early 2024. Its remit should include evaluating the effectiveness of the joint working arrangements and procedures operating between housing associations and the HSCP Homelessness section, with a view to learning lessons to potentially optimise the process for current and future demands.

Action Plan to include a feasibility study to explore alternative forms of temporary housing which could be utilised as an alternative to the current reliance on bed and breakfast providers. This could include looking at good practice elsewhere in the UK, including the consideration of relocatable, modular, and prefabricated buildings and other forms of temporary housing given the scale of potential demand. Also, to include sourcing, costing and identifying sites.

Council notes the decision made by the Scottish Government to modify local authority powers under Section 33 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987, removing the need for a homelessness application to have a local connection to be successful. This has not been adequately funded by the Scottish Government.

It would be unacceptable for the UK Government and the Scottish Government to expect Glasgow to bear the additional projected pressures alone.

The Council calls on the Chief Executive to write to the UK Home Secretary and to the Scottish Government urging both Governments to work together with the local authorities affected and urgently look at how both governments can assist local authorities and HSCPs to secure the additional funding and support required."

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

(1) at the first paragraph delete “considering” and replace with “Council understands”;

(2) the second paragraph be deleted and replaced with the following:

“Council understands that there are regular meetings between Council officers, HSCP officers, the third sector and RSLs to discuss the ongoing challenges in the housing and homelessness sectors. Council notes the range of papers relating to Homelessness which have been presented to Councillors including the Homelessness Temporary Accommodation Strategy presented to the Integrated Joint Board on 27th September 2023.

Council draws attention to sections 2.6 and 2.7 of that paper which outline that stakeholder engagement has been undertaken, and that our Temporary Homelessness Strategy will be reshaped. Council draws further attention to section 2.11 which outlines key aims of the strategy that city partners have agreed to, section 2.12 which talks about the workshops which took place to develop the strategy and to section 2.13 which outlines agreed governance.

Council also understands that the Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan has been regularly presented to the IJB. Council understands that the Governance group around the RRTP includes cross-sector representation from the HSCP as well as other city partners including Homeless Network Scotland, The Wheatly Group and The West of Scotland Housing Forum.

Council agrees that the best use of officer’s time is to continue to engage in these forums which already exist rather than to create new structures which will add little to our understanding of the issues, and will require to be resourced and which therefore will detract from the work that is already taking place to update our homelessness services to deal with the emergency at hand.

Council asks that the IJB bring forward a future paper outlining discussions with these relevant groups, and any updated actions that may be required to these strategies to reflect the current situation.

Council agrees to undertake a feasibility study to explore alternative forms of temporary housing which could be utilised as an alternative to the current reliance on bed and breakfast providers. This could include looking at good practice elsewhere in the UK, including the consideration of relocatable, modular, and prefabricated buildings and other forms of temporary housing given the scale of potential demand as well as looking at sourcing, costing and identifying sites.”; and

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

“Council notes that the City Convener has raised this issue with the Scottish Government, and that this issue was raised as part of the SOLACE paper Housing in Scotland: Current Context and Preparing for the Future which was

published in July. Council understands the Scottish Government are considering these issues around funding."

Councillor Wardrop, seconded by Bailie Carroll, moved as an amendment that:-

(a) the first 3 paragraphs be deleted and replaced with the following;

"Council notes that we want to end homelessness and create a sustainable, affordable housing sector that Glasgow can be proud of. Council supports the updating of the legislative framework and rolling-out the Housing First approach. Where people who do not have access to a safe, secure and permanent home they should be offered permanent tenancies and tailored wrap-around support services.

Glasgow's current Local Housing Strategy 2023-2028, which was adopted in May 2023, has priority 5 which aims to improve housing options, affordability and sustainability for tenants and owners to prevent and reduce homelessness.

Council acknowledges that in June 2023, UK Government announced a streamlined asylum process to address the significant backlog of asylum decisions and to reduce the numbers of asylum applicants in contingency and dispersed accommodation.

Council also notes that the Home Office is proposing to make an estimated 2,500 asylum decisions in Glasgow by the end of 2023 and this is expected to result in an additional 1,386 homelessness applications with 1,026 of those households requiring temporary accommodation.

It was reported to the Emergency Committee on 12th October that this streamlined asylum process will result in a significant impact on council services including potential costs to the Health and Social Care Partnership of £53.4m, but that the UK Government has indicated that no additional financial support is available to dispersal areas who are impacted."; and

(b) the following be inserted at the end:

"Council agrees that the Leader of the Council and the Council's Chief Executive continue to explore all available routes in escalating these matters to the Home Office and UK Government, as well as the Scottish Government including any legal avenues given the wider financial, reputational and economic implications.

Council agrees that an update will be provided regarding the work of Priority 5, action 2 of the Local Housing Strategy, on analysis about acute housing needs in response to increasing homelessness, to the relevant policy committee.

Council requests a committee report on actions being taken, in response to this streamlined asylum process as well as the removal of the need for a

homelessness application to have a local connection, and this is provided to the next appropriate meeting of the City Administration Committee."

During the debate Councillors Casey and Wardrop, with the agreement of their seconders, agreed to combine their amendments as follows:-

"Council notes that we want to end homelessness and create a sustainable, affordable housing sector that Glasgow can be proud of. Council supports the updating of the legislative framework and rolling-out the Housing First approach. Where people who do not have access to a safe, secure and permanent home they should be offered permanent tenancies and tailored wrap-around support services.

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Council requests a committee report on actions being taken, in response to this streamlined asylum process as well as the removal of the need for a homelessness application to have a local connection, and this is provided to the next appropriate meeting of the City Administration Committee.

Council understands that there are regular meetings between Council officers, HSCP officers, the third sector and RSLs to discuss the ongoing challenges in the housing and homelessness sectors. Council notes the range of papers relating to Homelessness which have been presented to Councillors including the Homelessness Temporary Accommodation Strategy presented to the Integrated Joint Board on 27th September 2023.

Council also understands that the Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan has been regularly presented to the IJB. Council understands that the Governance group around the RRTP includes cross-sector representation from the HSCP as well as other city partners including Homeless Network Scotland, The Wheatly Group and The West of Scotland Housing Forum.

Council agrees that the best use of officer's time is to continue to engage in these forums which already exist rather than to create new structures which will add little to our understanding of the issues and will require to be resourced and which therefore will detract from the work that is already taking place to update our homelessness services to deal with the emergency at hand.

Council asks that the IJB bring forward a future paper outlining discussions with these relevant groups, and any updated actions that may be required to these strategies to reflect the current situation.

Council agrees to undertake a feasibility study to explore alternative forms of temporary housing which could be utilised as an alternative to the current reliance

on bed and breakfast providers. This could include looking at good practice elsewhere in the UK, including the consideration of relocatable, modular, and prefabricated buildings and other forms of temporary housing given the scale of potential demand as well as looking at sourcing, costing and identifying sites.

Council also notes that the Home Office is proposing to make an estimated 2,500 asylum decisions in Glasgow by the end of 2023 and this is expected to result in an additional 1,386 homelessness applications with 1,026 of those households requiring temporary accommodation.

It was reported to the Emergency Committee on 12th October that this streamlined asylum process will result in a significant impact on council services including potential costs to the Health and Social Care Partnership of £53.4m, but that the UK Government has indicated that no additional financial support is available to dispersal areas who are impacted.

Council agrees that these plans are an unwarranted attack on the wellbeing and welfare of asylum seekers, refugees and all people experiencing homelessness. Council supports efforts to force the UK government to urgently change course and pause its damaging plans in favour of a properly managed and humane asylum decision process; and fully backs calls for the immediate provision of adequate resources to Glasgow, and all other asylum dispersal authorities.

Council agrees that the Leader of the Council and the Council's Chief Executive continue to explore all available routes in escalating these matters to the Home Office and UK Government, as well as the Scottish Government including any legal avenues given the wider financial, reputational and economic implications.

Council notes the decision made by the Scottish Government to modify local authority powers under Section 33 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987, removing the need for a homelessness application to have a local connection to be successful. This has not been adequately funded by the Scottish Government. Council notes that the City Convener has raised this issue with the Scottish Government, and that this issue was raised as part of the SOLACE paper Housing in Scotland: Current Context and Preparing for the Future which was published in July. Council understands the Scottish Government are considering these issues around funding.

The council calls on the Chief Executive to write to the UK Home Secretary and to the Scottish Government urging both Governments to work together with the local authorities affected and urgently look at how both governments can assist local authorities and HSCPs to secure the additional funding and support required."

On a vote being taken by calling the roll 43 members voted for the combined amendment and 35 for the motion.

The combined amendment was accordingly declared to be carried.

Suspension of Standing Order 5 (12) agreed.

17 The Council agreed to suspend the provisions of Standing Order No 5 (12) in order that at least one further motion would be heard from the Green Group but that no new speeches would be heard on any formal motion after 1630 hours other than any remaining proposals, amendments and summing up.

Public toilets – Motion as adjusted, approved.

18 Councillor Bruce, seconded by Councillor Hutchison, moved that:-

"Council believes the availability of public toilets is an equality issue, a public health issue and human right.

Council believes that access to clean, accessible toilets, which meet the needs of people of all genders and abilities is a basic requirement of health, hygiene and personal safety. Council believes that access to a toilet is about social inclusion, being part of a community and being able to move around the city barrier free.

Council notes there are only four toilets operated by the council's operator Healthmatic and only four toilets maintained across the city's parks. Council notes that Glasgow Life operates venues with accessible public toilets, but these aren't operational twenty-four hours a day and many residents are unaware of their right to use them.

Council also notes that relieving oneself in public is a criminal offence in Scotland and residents should be provided with abundant opportunities for avoiding this situation.

Council believes that taking a strategic look at provision across all council services would have a positive impact on many people's experiences of enjoying parks and public spaces. This could be particularly true for pregnant people, people with children, young people, disabled people and people with underlying health conditions, all of which may require more frequent use of a toilet.

Council also believes adequate public toilet provision is a feminist issue with research showing women feel the lack of provision more acutely.

Council recalls the public toilet petition submitted back in 2021 by Patricia Fort, this petition received one of the highest number of signatures in recent times and thanks all residents that engaged in the conversation. Council regrets that no further action was taken

Therefore, Council agrees to develop a public toilet strategy within the next 12 months, that includes but is not limited to:-

- Carrying out a mapping exercise on public toilet provision and its proximity to public parks and civic spaces

- A review of public toilet opening hours, signage and potential use of technology at public toilet sites
- Working in collaboration with Glasgow Life, community venues, transport providers and businesses on a public toilet awareness programme
- Exploring options of developing a Comfort Scheme small grants fund, similar to Highland Council
- Engaging with vulnerable users, like women, children, disabled and elderly people on their experience of using public toilets
- Outlining how Glasgow City Council are improving accessibility for people with mobility issues and people who care for young children who need changing facilities or larger cubicles
- Outlining how Glasgow City Council is complying with requirements of the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 relating to public toilet provision
- Investigating how the City Development Plan can play a part in increasing public toilet provision
- Investigating that all in-house and private suppliers of public toilets are free of charge, removing the 20p cash only charge".

Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor Cannon, moved as an amendment that:-

(1) at the first paragraph:

(a) after "public toilets" insert "while not a local authority responsibility",; and

(b) delete **"**and a human right" and change the rest of the sentence to "is an equality issue and a public health issue";

(2) at the third paragraph:

(a) after "accessible public toilets" insert "and that there are in excess of 50 public toilet locations listed for Glasgow spread across a variety of providers,";

(b) after **"**unaware of their right to use them**"** insert "although Glasgow Life makes this clear on an ongoing basis.";

(3) at the fifth paragraph after "underlying health conditions" insert "such as prostate problems";

(4) at the sixth paragraph delete "Council regrets that no further action was taken";

(5) after the sixth paragraph, insert the following 3 paragraphs:

"Council notes that public toilet provision has been discussed twice at committee since then and that in November 2021 the following actions had been taken to

- Update the website to show all toilet facilities available to the public

- Provide a list of all public toilet locations to the privately operated website https://loocations.com/ to further raise awareness of public toilet facilities in Glasgow
- Install new and improved directional signage for the public toilet facilities managed by NRS at the Botanic Gardens, Kelvingrove Park and Victoria Park and to bring a further update to the committee and to update the petitioner.

Council notes that in Wales local authorities are required to have a strategy for public toilet provision and the work carried out by Community Ownership Support Service (part of the Development Trusts Association Scotland) on this matter.

Council further notes that this is an issue Age UK have been campaigning on and held a conference with London Council in April 2023 and that the Council will organise a similar summit bringing together stakeholders such as Age UK, COSS/ DTAS, Chambers of Commerce etc to explore best practice."; and

(6) at the following paragraph change the 9 bullet points to the following:

- "Carrying out a further mapping exercise on public toilet provision and its proximity to public parks and civic spaces
- A further review of public toilet opening hours, signage and potential use of technology at public toilet sites
- Continue to work in collaboration with Glasgow Life, community venues, transport providers and businesses on a public toilet awareness programme
- Build upon the Sauchiehall Street Community Toilet Consultation 2016
- Exploring further options of developing a Comfort Scheme small grants fund, similar to Highland Council and others"

Councillor O'Lone, seconded by Councillor Dempsey, moved as an amendment that the following be inserted after the final bullet point:-

"Bring forward the appropriate policy changes to ensure that all future contracts involving outdoor events have sufficient toilets that provide sanitary bins. At present there is no requirement for this. Period dignity should allow for used sanitary products to be disposed of hygienically and without embarrassment."

Councillor Bruce, with the approval of her seconder, accepted the amendments by Councillor Kelly and Councillor O'Lone, resulting in the following adjusted motion:

"Council believes the availability of public toilets is an equality issue, a public health issue and human right.

Council believes that access to clean, accessible toilets, which meet the needs of people of all genders and abilities is a basic requirement of health, hygiene and personal safety. Council believes that access to a toilet is about social inclusion, being part of a community and being able to move around the city barrier free.

Council notes there are only four toilets operated by the council's operator Healthmatic and only four toilets maintained across the city's parks. Council notes that Glasgow Life operates venues with accessible public toilets and that there are in excess of 50 public toilet locations listed for Glasgow spread across a variety of providers but these aren't operational twenty-four hours a day and many residents are unaware of their right to use them.

Council also notes that relieving oneself in public is a criminal offence in Scotland and residents should be provided with abundant opportunities for avoiding this situation.

Council believes that taking a strategic look at provision across all council services would have a positive impact on many people's experiences of enjoying parks and public spaces. This could be particularly true for pregnant people, people with children, young people, disabled people and people with underlying health conditions such as add: crohns disease, diabetes, endometriosis and prostate problems, all of which may require more frequent use of a toilet.

Council also believes adequate public toilet provision is a feminist issue with research showing women feel the lack of provision more acutely.

Council recalls the public toilet petition submitted back in 2021 by Patricia Fort, this petition received one of the highest number of signatures in recent times and thanks all residents that engaged in the conversation. Council recognises some steps have been taken but disappointed at the pace of change.

Council notes that public toilet provision has been discussed twice at committee since then and that in November 2021 the following actions had been taken to

- Update the website to show all toilet facilities available to the public
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Council further notes that this is an issue Age UK have been campaigning on and held a conference with London Council in April 2023 and that the Council will organise a similar summit bringing together stakeholders such as Age UK, COSS/ DTAS, Chambers of Commerce, add - Engender and equality and disabled people's organisations etc to explore best practice.

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- Outlining how Glasgow City Council is complying with requirements of the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 relating to public toilet provision
- Investigating how the City Development Plan can play a part in increasing public toilet provision
- Investigating that all in-house and private suppliers of public toilets are free of charge, removing the 20p cash only charge.

Bring forward the appropriate policy changes to ensure that all future contracts involving outdoor events have sufficient toilets that provide sanitary bins. At present there is no requirement for this. Period dignity should allow for used sanitary products to be disposed of hygienically and without embarrassment."

Adjournment.

19 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 7(d), 7(e), 7(f), 7(g), 7(h), 7(i) and 7(j).

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 12th October 2023.

City Administration Committee.

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

Apologies: Richard Bell and Annette Christie.

Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); A O'Donnell, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; I Robertson, Director of City Development; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; M McGinty, Head of Policy and Corporate Governance; and S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Proposed P1 and S1 capping limits for school session 2024/25 approved – Authority to Executive Director of Education Services.

1 Councillor Cannon, Convener for Education, Skills and Early Years, presented a report regarding the proposed P1 and S1 capping limits for school session 2024/25, which had been determined in line with Scottish Government guidance, detailing

(1) the factors which had to be considered in planning for the sufficiency of primary and secondary school places across the city on a rolling annual basis;

(2) in Appendix 1 of the report, the proposed caps for P1, which had been calculated based on the actual number of children registered at each school as at September 2023, with these caps being notional and subject to change dependant on the numbers of catchment children finally enrolled; and

(3) in Appendix 2 of the report, the proposed caps for S1, which had been calculated based on the actual number of children registered in P7 in Glasgow Primary Schools as at September 2023, with these caps being notional and subject to change dependant on the numbers of catchment children transferring to S1 in their catchment secondary school finally enrolled.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the P1 maximum intakes in primary schools and the S1 maximum intakes in secondary schools for school session 2024/25, as detailed in the report; and

(b) authorised the Executive Director of Education Services to amend the P1 and S1 capping limits in the circumstances detailed in the report.

Proposals for primary school reserved places for school session 2024/25 approved.

2 Councillor Cannon, Convener for Education, Skills and Early Years, presented a report regarding the proposed number of reserved places for named primary schools for school session 2024/25, advising of

(1) the background and experience to date in utilising the reserved places provision within the Education (Scotland) Act 1991, as amended by the Standards in Scotland's Schools etc Act 2000, to manage the education estate in a strategic manner and address capacity issues before they developed;

(2) the factors used in determining the number of reserved places for school session 2024/25; and

(3) the list of 53 primary schools and the number of places to be reserved in each school for session 2024/25, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted

(i) the successful implementation of the reserved places provision in previous school sessions; and

(ii) the existing factors for determining reserved places for school session 2024/25 based on the experience gained since introduction in 2014/15; and

(b) approved the list of schools and number of places to be reserved in each for school session 2024/25.

Govan Graving Docks (Ward 5) – Acceptance of external funding approved.

3 With reference to the minutes of 2nd December 2021 (Print 6, page 414) approving the deferral of 8 sub-projects to ensure that the Clyde Waterfront and West End Innovation Quarter City Deal project progressed within the limits of the approved City Deal budget, Councillor Aitken, Leader of the Council and City

Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition, presented a report regarding the actions being undertaken to unlock the regeneration of the Govan Graving Docks (Ward 5), which was 1 of the deferred sub-projects, advising that

(1) the Council had been offered up to £200,000 of funding from the Sustrans Places for Everyone programme for the financial years 2023/24 and 2024/25 to develop concept designs for an active travel route through the Govan Graving Docks site, including a new bridge link to the Pacific Quay;

(2) designs for the Govan Graving Docks site would be taken forward by its current owners, in partnership with local stakeholders and an initial community consultation event had been held in June 2023, with further engagement planned for Autumn 2023 to allow for the completion of the Concept Designs within the next 12 months;

(3) committed funding from the Vacant and Derelict Land Investment Programme and Sustrans would meet the costs associated with the development of designs and works of the Govan Graving Docks site and the release of funding would be associated with the completion of specific milestones, subject to ongoing monitoring and evaluation to ensure that the project continued to deliver the objectives of the Council;

(4) community involvement was central to the long-term sustainability of the Govan Graving Docks site and a critical aspect was the transfer of all parts of the site not identified for residential development to community ownership at nil value and the current owners of the site had agreed to this approach which would be a condition of funding agreements; and

(5) officers were working with local elected members and community representatives via the Central Govan Action Plan Steering Group to identify appropriate legal structures and governance arrangements, with specialist advice being provided by a range of organisations, including the Community Ownership Support Service.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report and the commitment to the transfer of ownership; and

(b) approved the acceptance of up to £200,000 of funding from Sustrans Places for Everyone.

City Centre Strategy 2024-30 - Public consultation approved.

4 With reference to the minutes of the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee of 26th September 2023 (Print 4, page 55) when it was agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the commencement of a public consultation of the City Centre Strategy (CCS) 2024-30, Councillor Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery, presented a report regarding the strategy, advising

(1) that the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic from March 2020 had halted many of the CCS 2014-19 delivery plans, resulting in a different response to the immediate situation and the City Centre Recovery Plan 2022-24 was subsequently developed to focus on business recovery, given the extent and duration of restrictions placed on the city centre during the pandemic and that this had been supported by the establishment of a City Centre Task Force;

(2) that whilst the impacts of COVID-19 had had a profound effect on the city centre, this draft strategy was effectively the second 5-year phase of the CCS, with an updated approach due to the various external events of recent years;

(3) of a number of factors that had driven the approach to the new CCS 2024-30;

(4) that the vision for the next period of the CCS had been developed around 3 guiding Pillars, namely Magnetic Experience, Front Door to Innovation and A Place to Live and within each Pillar were a series of Big Moves, which were the thematic priorities, as detailed in the report;

(5) that the CCS 2024-30 outlined several priority actions to be progressed over the planned period and these actions would directly support the Big Moves and Pillar approach, ensuring that resources were targeted accordingly and these priority actions contained a number of sub-projects and actions;

(6) of the proposed Governance arrangements;

(7) that to support Phase 1 of the CCS 2014-19, the Council had allocated £6.3m of capital funding to support direct intervention and to lever in other sources of funding to support improvements within the city centre and it was estimated that an additional fund of up to £5m would be required to support the updated 7-year strategy; and

(8) of the proposed public consultation on the strategy.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the public consultation plan, which would commence for 6 weeks from 20th October to 3rd December 2023; and

(b) noted

(i) the request for additional capital funding of up to £5m; and

(ii) that the outcome of the public consultation would be reported back to the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee, prior to seeking formal approval of the new City Centre Strategy at this committee in early 2024.

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 2nd November 2023.

City Administration Committee.

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

Apologies: Jill Brown, Annette Christie and George Redmond.

Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); A O'Donnell, Chief Executive; M Booth, Executive Director of Financial 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; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; J Miller (for the Executive Director of Education Services); and S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Glasgow's Local Child Poverty Action Report 2022/23 approved.

1 With reference to the minutes of the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee of 21st September 2023 (Print 4, page 77) when it had been agreed to recommend to this committee approval of Glasgow's Local Child Poverty Action Report (LCPAR) 2022/23, Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding the matter, advising that

(1) the Child Poverty (Scotland) Act 2017 placed a duty on local authorities and health boards to jointly develop and publish an annual LCPAR;

(2) the Scottish Government had identified the 3 main drivers to address child poverty against which reporting should be provided namely, income from employment, cost of living and income from Social Security and benefits in kind;

(3) the LCPAR 2022/23 was the 5th report and had focused specifically on outlining the significant work undertaken to date to ensure the appropriate strategic alignment of the child poverty agenda in the city and outlined actions undertaken to develop this including the initial alignment of the LCPAR and

the Integrated Children Services Plan as well as the agreed next steps to strengthen this further; and

(4) the LCPAR 2022/23 had recognised that much remained to be done if Glasgow was to meet the challenging child poverty targets set for 2030 and set out the key priorities for 2023/24.

After consideration, the committee approved the LCPAR 2022/23 for publication.

Whole Family Wellbeing Fund – Everyone's Children project - Funding approved.

2 Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report on the proposed investment in the Third Sector Infrastructure, Everyone's Children project through the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund (WFWF), advising

(1) of the establishment of a £500m Scotland wide WFWF to transform the delivery of family support, which formed part of the delivery of the Promise and the outcome of the Independent Care Review;

(2) that the first tranche of funding from the WFWF had been made available to local authorities, with Glasgow in line to receive around £19m over 4 years;

(3) that a Senior Officers Group chaired by the Chief Executive had been established to direct and govern the transformational use of the fund and was supported by the Children Services Executive Group which was co-chaired by the Executive Director of Education and the Assistant Chief Officer of Children Services, Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership;

(4) that the Everyone's Children project had been established by the Scottish Government in 2013 to ensure that Getting it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC) and other national policies were adopted by the Third Sector and the Everyone's Children project in Glasgow was co-ordinated by the Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector (GCVS);

(5) of the implementation of the GIRFEC action plan, as detailed in the report; and

(6) that it was proposed that £210,000 of funding from the WFWF for the period to 31st March 2024 be granted to the Everyone's Children project, GCVS.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report;

(b) approved £210,000 of funding for the period to 31st March 2024 to the Everyone Children's project, co-ordinated by the Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector; and

(c) agreed that the Whole Family Intervention Fund, Executive Steering Group would oversee the arrangements for joint working in relation to the funding.

Glasgow's Strategic Housing Investment Plan 2024/25 to 2028/29 approved.

3 Councillor McLean, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use, presented a report regarding Glasgow's Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP) 2024/25 to 2028/29, advising

(1) that the Scottish Government's Strategic Housing Investment Framework guided the allocation of the Affordable Housing Supply Programme to local authorities in Scotland and as part of this Framework, local authorities were required to submit a SHIP annually to the Scottish Government;

(2) that the Scottish Government long-term strategy, "Housing to 2040" had been published in March 2023 and set out the national housing priorities including a target for delivering 110,000 affordable homes by 2032;

(3) that the SHIP 2024/25 to 2028/29, detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, had been prepared using annual resource planning assumptions and developed in accordance with the Scottish Government's SHIP guidance note;

(4) that the projects included in the Glasgow SHIP were as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report; and

(5) of the housing supply targets, the strategic housing investment priorities and delivery.

After consideration, the committee approved the Glasgow Strategic Housing Investment Plan 2024/25 to 2028/29 and its submission to the Scottish Government.

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 16th November 2023.

City Administration Committee.

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

Apologies: Ruairi Kelly, Frank McAveety, Jill Pidgeon and Soryia Siddique.

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; S Thomson (for the Director of Regional Economic Growth); and M Hogg (for the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership).

Budget monitoring reports noted and budget adjustments approved.

1 Councillor Bell, Deputy Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented reports on the 2023/24 revenue budget and on the investment programme, both for the period from 1st April to 21st September 2023.

After consideration, the committee

(1) noted the reports and that they, together with detailed service reports, would be considered by the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee in due course; and

(2) approved the detailed budget adjustments relating to the revenue budget and the investment programme, as detailed in the reports.

Just Transition Skills Action Plan approved.

2 With reference to the minutes of the Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee of 7th November 2023 (page 66 hereof) when it had been agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the Just Transition Skills Action Plan (JTSAP), Councillor Aitken, Leader of the Council and City

Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition, presented a report regarding the action plan, advising

(1) that the JTSAP had supplemented the Just Transition Working Group report approved by this committee on 14th September 2023 (Print 4, page 41) and had been developed to deliver on the reports recommendations;

(2) that the JTSAP had been jointly prepared by the Council and Skills Development Scotland and its purpose was to define and steer the role that skills would play in securing a just transition to a net zero and climate resilient economy;

(3) that the JTSAP had 3 objectives together with 25 Strategic actions, as detailed in an appendix to the report; and

(4) of the next steps.

After consideration, the committee approved the Just Transition Skills Action Plan for publication and implementation.

Glasgow 850 celebrations – Governance arrangements and funding etc approved.

3 Councillor Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition, presented a report regarding the Council family's role in planning for a celebratory programme to mark Glasgow's 850th anniversary in 2025, advising that

(1) the year 2025 would mark 850 years since Glasgow became a Burgh of the Barony, providing an opportunity for the city to celebrate a significant moment in its history;

(2) the City's vision to mark the occasion was to support a fair and sustainable city where everyone gets to contribute and all can benefit from a flourishing Glasgow, a vision which it was proposed would be at the core of the objectives of the Council family's activities;

(3) the Council's ambitions throughout 2025 would include accelerating change by bringing the city together around a focused year of shared ambition, enhancing the city's brand at home and abroad and delivering a legacy for the city's communities;

(4) internally it was proposed that the operational arrangements would be led by the Chief Executive, who would Chair a programme board with a team lead appointed to co-ordinate activity and work with partners to develop a shared programme;

(5) it was proposed that the Council family helped the city to activate around a number of areas of activity, as detailed in the report;

(6) it was proposed that a cross-party strategic group be established to provide strategic guidance and leadership and its membership would comprise of the Leader of the Council (Chair), the Lord Provost, the Chair of Glasgow Life, the Treasurer, the Group Leaders of the 4 political groups, the Chief Executive and Senior Officers, when required;

(7) the cross-party strategic group would also ensure that the celebratory programme build on the legacies from community events, COP26 and major sporting and cultural events including the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games and Festival, the Glasgow 2018 European Championships and Festival and the 2023 World Cycling Championships;

(8) it was envisaged that funds would be raised or donated from a variety of sources to fund these events, however a core budget would require to be provided and it was proposed that the Common Good Fund was an appropriate source for this celebration of Glasgow; and

(9) as at 31st March 2023, the Common Good Fund had a balance of £22.926m and it was proposed to allocate £1m from the fund to support Glasgow 850 celebrations.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) approved

(i) the Council family's role in planning for the Glasgow 850 celebratory programme;

(ii) the governance arrangements to support the planning and delivery of the programme; and

(iii) an allocation of £1m from the Common Good Fund to support the Glasgow 850 celebrations.

Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy approved.

4 With reference to the minutes of the Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee of 7th November 2023 (page 67 hereof) when it had been agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy (LHEES), Councillor Miller, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery, presented a report on the strategy, advising

(1) that the Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies (Scotland) Order 2022, required local authorities to produce a LHEES and publish their strategy and

associated delivery plans by 31st December 2023 and to be renewed in a 5 year cycle;

(2) of the content of the LHEES which had 4 key focus areas namely, heat networks, individual or communal heating solutions, poor energy efficiency as a driver of fuel poverty and pre-1919 tenemental properties;

(3) of the outcome of a recent public consultation and engagement with stakeholders; and

(4) of the next steps in the process.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) approved the Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy.

Budget strategy for 2024/25 to 2026/27 etc approved – Instruction to officers.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Finance regarding an update on the budget strategy for the 3 financial years from 2024/25 to 2026/27, advising that

(1) the Financial Forecast had considered the spending gap which the Council was likely to face over the next 3-year period which was prepared based on assumptions on the likely level of funding being provided by the Scottish Government and by known and anticipated changes to expenditure as a result of pay increases and other budgetary pressures;

(2) the Council was legally required to set a balanced budget and Council Tax rate to balance the budget by 11th March each year and it was proposed that the budget for 2024/25 would be set at the Council meeting on 15th February 2024;

(3) the Strategic Budget Group had already agreed saving targets for all services, with the exception of Social Work and all services would present budget options to the Cross-Party Budget Working Group during November 2023;

(4) the Scottish Budget would be set on 19th December 2023 with initial figures being provided to Council's by 21st December 2023 and it was anticipated that there would be confirmed figures by mid-January 2024;

(5) as it was assumed that Local Government would receive a minimum of flat cash for the next 3 years, it had been recommended that a 3 year saving options be considered as part of the 2024/25 budget process;

(6) as a consequence of the Council's funding flexibilities, as detailed in the report, a slightly longer term view of how to implement savings over the 3

financial years from 2024/25 to 2026/27 could be taken and Appendix 1 to the report set out the budget options principles; and

(7) the financial challenges facing the Council remained extremely challenging and despite benefits from Strathclyde Pension Fund funding the Council still required to make savings of £120m over the next 3 years to produce a balanced budget.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted

(i) the uncertainty which remained regarding the funding settlement this year, including the amount which would be allocated to fund a Council Tax freeze, and called on the First Minister to provide this clarity as soon as possible and ensure a fair funding deal for Glasgow; and

(ii) the additional revenue raising powers which were already, or would soon become, available to Councils, including the Workplace Licensing Scheme and the Visitor Levy;

(b) approved the proposal to plan for a 3-year savings from 2024/25;

(c) agreed

(i) that the Council would set a balanced budget at the Council meeting on 15th February 2024;

(ii) to recall and renew previous calls for increased recognition by Scottish and UK Governments of the Council's responsibility for several national-scale sporting and cultural assets, and the need for these to receive additional national funding;

(iii) to update the report to clarify the separation of responsibilities between the Strategic Budget Group and Council Officers; and

(iv) to seek to ensure the fair distribution of budget over the 3-year period and assessing compliance with the Council's statutory responsibilities and legal duties; and

(d) instructed officers to convene an additional meeting of the Cross-Party Budget Working Group prior to the December 2023 recess to present options for how these opportunities could be progressed subject to necessary policy and legislative approval.

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

Hybrid meeting, 14th November 2023.

Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee.

Present: Martha Wardrop (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Eva Bolander, Anthony Carroll, Allan Casey, Laura Doherty, Sean Ferguson, Ann Jenkins, Robert Mooney, Linda Pike, Soryia Siddique and Kieran Turner.

Also present: Kenny McLean and Angus Millar.

Apology: Graham Campbell.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); I Robertson, Director of City Development; 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 26th September 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.

Affordable Housing Supply Programme 2022/23 – Annual performance report noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the performance of Glasgow's Affordable Housing Supply Programme (AHSP) in 2022/23, advising

(1) that since September 2003, the Council had been responsible for the management of the Development Funding programme in Glasgow and the AHSP was a key resource for delivering the Glasgow Housing Strategy investment priorities and continued to make a vital contribution to the city's regeneration;

(2) that Glasgow's AHSP budget for 2022/23 was £103.934m, which was one of the largest resource allocations for affordable housing in Glasgow since 2003, however there had been increases in both works and overall development

costs in 2022/23 compared to 2021/22, which had had an impact on the construction industry;

(3) that despite the challenges faced to deliver the AHSP, the Council collaborating with partner Registered Social Landlords delivered a final out-turn expenditure figure of £97.632m and that the AHSP continued to focus on delivering homes for social rent to meet continuing demand and as a result of this priority a total of 561 units had been approved by the Council for social rent;

(4) that in 2022/23, £4.638m of AHSP funding had been spent on Stage 3 Medical Adaptations, allowing 1,220 properties to be upgraded to enable tenants to remain in their current homes and the Acquisition Strategy had been expanded to provide 100% acquisition costs for suitable properties, as detailed in the report;

(5) that in addition to the AHSP budget and separate to the Acquisition Strategy, a further £3.920m had been invested in the Govanhill area via funding from the Scottish Government which had enabled Govanhill Housing Association to acquire and improve flats within 18 designated blocks which were in decline;

(6) of the accelerated land release programme, as detailed in the report;

(7) of the work being undertaken towards reducing carbon emissions in new build developments funded through the AHSP; and

(8) that in 2022/23, AHSP funding of £97.632m had been invested across the city which had enabled the approval of 728 new and improved homes and allowed for the completion of 924 homes during the year.

Glasgow's Affordable Warmth programme - Delivery of 2022/23 and 2023/24 programmes etc noted.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding projects delivered through Glasgow's Affordable Warmth programme which delivered energy efficiency measures to owner-occupied and private landlord properties funded through the Scottish Government's Energy Efficient Scotland programme: Area-Based Schemes (EES:ABS) funding during 2022/23 and for 2023/24, advising

(1) that the EES:ABS was an area-based approach to deliver energy efficient measures, mainly external wall insulation, to owner-occupied and private landlord properties, which was supported by funding from the Scottish Government and delivered by local authorities;

(2) that projects had been identified by the Council through analysing data such as house construction type, profiling by area and reviewing previous measures undertaken and this enabled viable projects, which met the criteria outlined in the Scottish Government's guidance to be developed at a scale;

(3) of Glasgow's EES:ABS 2022/23 programme out-turn;

(4) of the engagement activity undertaken by officers from Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability during 2022/23 to increase the number of owner-occupiers and private landlords participating in the programme, however despite carrying out additional engagement, a number of reasons were cited as to why households did not wish to, or could not, participate in the programme;

(5) of the issues and challenges in delivering the Glasgow's Affordable Warmth Programme;

(6) that the City Administration Committee on 31st August 2023 (Print 4, page 31) had accepted the Scottish Government's "Offer of Grant" of £6,845,492 from the EES:ABS 2023/24 programme and officers were working with contractors and Registered Social Landlord partners towards installing energy efficiency measures in project areas, as detailed in the report and that all projects were required to be completed by 31st May 2024, with final drawdown of funding being submitted before 30th June 2024;

(7) that the project areas had the capacity to spend the 2023/24 allocation of £6,845,492, however this was dependent on the participation of owners in the scheme during the 2023/24 programme period and the ability for contractors to progress works on site;

(8) that officers in Neighbourhoods and Regeneration Services were working with the Corporate Procurement Unit to prepare tender documentation for the projects at Househillmuir (Pollok), Cleve's Road (Priesthill) and Penilee which were scheduled for delivery during 2024/25; and

(9) of the work going forward for the delivery of Glasgow's Affordable Warmth Programme of works for 2023/24.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted

(i) the projects delivered through Glasgow's Affordable Warmth Programme during 2022/23; and

(ii) Glasgow's Affordable Warmth Programme of works for 2023/24; and

(b) agreed to convene a roundtable discussion on the delivery of this Council's EES:ABS future programme, focusing on exploring the implementation of the different methods and approaches that could assist in accelerating the delivery of the programme and maximise funding support for owner-occupiers and landlords who wished to participate in the EES:ABS programme and the meeting would involve members of this committee and relevant officers from

Neighbourhoods and Regeneration Services prior to this committee's meeting on 22nd January 2024.

City Development Plan – Spatial Supplementary Guidance noted.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding progress with the development of the Spatial Supplementary Guidance to the City Development Plan (CDP), advising that

(1) the Glasgow CDP had been adopted in March 2017 and provided the spatial strategy for development and regeneration across the city and sought to deliver 2 key aims, namely a healthy, high quality place and a compact city form that supported sustainable development;

(2) the CDP was supported by 2 overarching policies, namely CDP1 – The Placemaking Principle and CDP2 – Sustainable Spatial Strategy and 1 of the key elements was the identification of spatial priority areas across the city where additional guidance was required and that this comprised 6 Strategic Development Framework (SDF) areas and 3 Local Development Framework (LDF) areas, as detailed in the report;

(3) 5 SDFs for the River Clyde Development Corridor, Govan-Partick, City Centre, North Glasgow and Inner East and 1 LDF for South Central had been adopted following approval by the Scottish Government and now had the status of Supplementary Guidance to the CDP;

(4) the Greater Easterhouse SDF was intended to act as an overarching spatial framework for the area with a focus on strategic priorities rather than detailed policy issues or outputs and the Greater Pollok LDF was also intended to act as an overarching spatial framework providing an additional layer of planning intervention; and

(5) prior to adoption the Council was required to carry out pubic consultation on each of the SDFs and LDFs and that the draft Greater Easterhouse SDF and draft Greater Pollok LDF would be placed on the Council's consultation hub between December 2023 and March 2024 for a period of 10 weeks to allow for full consultation with residents and stakeholders and following the consultation period, a finalised version of the SDF and LDF documents, would be submitted to the City Administration Committee for approval before being submitted to the Scottish Government for final approval as spatial supplementary guidance to the CDP.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the progress made in the development and delivery of the City's Strategic Development Frameworks and Local Development Frameworks; and

(b) the intention to commence external consultation on the draft Greater Easterhouse Strategic Development Framework and draft Greater Pollok Local Development Framework.

Tall buildings planning guidance – Progress noted.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the progress made on guidance being produced in relation to the development of tall buildings in the city centre, advising

(1) that the Council Plan 2022-27 had identified the production of a Tall Buildings policy for the city centre (Strategic Plan Grand Challenge 3 Mission 2 Commitment 23);

(2) that tall buildings were a controversial topic in the field of sustainability with many arguing that they were a beneficial form of urban development as they could help reduce sprawl, increase density and provide opportunities for refurbishment and re-use, however others contend that they were inherently unstainable as they consumed more materials, energy and resources than lower-rise buildings, creating social and environmental problems;

(3) that the Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) Planning Service had commissioned the NRS Property and Consultancy Services to carry out work for the Tall Building Design Guidance, as detailed in the report;

(4) of the work to date of the Property and Consultancy Services on the Tall Building Design Guidance which would also provide a definition of what was tall, based on evidence of the local context, and a minimum height threshold for the policy to be applied would be considered; and

(5) of the next steps.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the progress made on formulating the tall buildings guidance and next steps; and

(b) that a report would be submitted to the City Administration Committee in Spring 2024 seeking approval for the public consultation.

Supplementary Guidance and Planning Guidance to accompany City Development Plan 2017 etc noted.

6 There was submitted a report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the work being carried out on the draft planning guidace to accompany the City Development Plan (CDP) 2017, advising

(1) that the CDP had been adopted in March 2017 and a series of Supplementary Planning Guidance accompany the CDP in order to support the implementation of the CDP;

(2) that in order to finalise guidance associated with the CDP 2017, before focusing the work programme fully on the forthcoming CDP2, topic based guidance had been drafted on the draft Supplementary Guidance (SG) 6 Green Belt and Green Network, draft SG12 Delivering Development and draft Non-Statutory Planning Guidance on Large Scale Co-Living, as detailed in Appendices to the report;

(3) that consultation on the SG6 Green Belt and Green Network, SG12 Delivering Development and Non-Statutory Planning Guidance on Large Scale Co-Living would be undertaken as soon as was practicable and would be conducted through the Council's consultation hub with an 8-week period of consultation; and

(4) of the process for the adoption of the SG and Planning Guidance.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the draft Supplementary Guidance 6 Green Belt and Green Network, Supplementary Guidance 12 Delivering Development and Non-Statutory Planning Guidance on Large Scale Co-Living and the intention now for consultation; and

(b) that following the consultation exercise and any appropriate changes to the documents, a report on the outcomes would be submitted to this committee for consideration and thereafter to the City Administration Committee for approval and following approval, the draft Supplementary Guidance 6 Green Belt and Green Network and SG12 Delivering Development and statement of publicity would be sent to Scottish Ministers with a view to adoption.

City Deal Avenues programme - Progress noted.

7 There was submitted a report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the progress of the City Deal funded Avenues programme, advising

(1) that the Glasgow City Region City Deal was investing approximately £115m within Glasgow city centre to deliver the Enabling Infrastructure Integrated Public Realm programme that would transform 17 key streets in the city centre, which had become known as the Avenues project due to its underlying ethos of introducing trees and green infrastructure back into the city centre;

(2) that the Council had secured an additional £23m of funding from SUSTRANS to enable the delivery of an additional 4 Avenues projects, known as the Avenues Plus Project;

(3) that due to recent world events, there had been an adverse impact on project delivery between 2019 and 2021, however these issues had largely been overcome with design and construction activity progressing at pace; and

(4) of the progress of the 5 blocks of activity within the Avenues programme and the current issues affecting the delivery of the programme.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the progress of the Avenues programme; and

(b) that further reports on the progress of the programme would be submitted on an annual basis.

Glasgow City Region City Deal – Glasgow Avenues, George Square and Block-C Avenues (Phase 1) (Ward 10) – Progress noted.

8 With reference to the minutes of 7th March 2023 (Print 6, page 616) noting the outcome of a public engagement on George Square and agreeing that updates on the progress of the George Square Area strategy be submitted biannually to this committee, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the progress achieved during RIBA Stage 3 design of George Square and Phase 1 Block-C Avenues (Ward 10), advising

(1) that Glasgow City Region City Deal had invested approximately £115m within Glasgow city centre to deliver the Enabling Infrastructure - Integrated Public Realm (EIIPR) programme which was a quality place-making scheme that would transform 17 key streets in Glasgow's city centre and which was commonly known as the Avenues project due to its underlying ethos of introducing trees and green infrastructure back into Glasgow city centre;

(2) that the Council had successfully secured an additional £23m of funding from Sustrans for the delivery of an additional 4 Avenue locations known as the Avenues Plus project which responded to 1 of the key recommendations made as part of the Connectivity Commission: The acceleration and expansion of the Avenues into other areas of the city;

(3) that John McAslan and Partners had been awarded the Block C design commission, which included producing RIBA Stages 0-4 designs for George Square, John Street, St Vincent Street and Place, West George Street and George Street, Hanover Street and Miller Street, North Hanover Street, Dundas Street and Dundas Lane and Cochrane Street;

(4) that the Block C project was jointly funded by the Glasgow City Region City Deal and the Council and St Vincent Street, Cochrane Street, North Hanover Street, George Street and John Street would be funded by Glasgow City Region City Deal and George Square, Hanover Street, Miller Street, Dundas

Street and Dundas Lane would be funded by the Council, with the design being split into 2 phases, as detailed in the report; and

(5) of an overview of the design proposals for Phase 1 and George Square developed design.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the outcomes of the recent stakeholder consultations and resulting design amendments statements for the RIBA Stage 3;

(b) the completion of RIBA Stage 3 and that the next phase would be RIBA Stage 4 Detail and Technical Design which should be concluded around April 2024; and

(c) that all activity, as detailed in the report would be subject to ongoing cost, budget and wider Avenues programme monitoring and analysis.

Committee's annual assessment noted.

9 There was submitted and noted a report by Councillor Martha Wardrop, Chair of this committee regarding an annual assessment of the work of the committee and the former Neighbourhoods, Housing and Public Realm City Policy Committee, advising that

(1) the Council's Standing Order No 32 (8) required that an annual assessment of the work of each committee should be carried out to assess the effectiveness of the working of the committee and to assess any training needs of members and officers and the effectiveness of the implementation of agreed policies;

(2) the former Neighbourhoods, Housing and Public Realm City Policy Committee had been established at a meeting of the Council on 14th September 2017 (Print 3, page 288) with the Terms of Reference, as detailed in the report;

(3) the former Neighbourhoods, Housing and Public Realm City Policy Committee on 16th August 2022 (Print 2, page 291) had agreed a workplan for the committee and 17 items, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report had been considered between August to December 2022;

(4) this committee had been established at a meeting of the Council on 8th December 2022 (Print 5, page 479) with the Terms of Reference, as detailed in the report;

(5) this committee on 24th January 2023 (Print 5, page 565) had approved the workplan for January to June 2023 and on 15th August 2023 (Print 3, page 47) had approved the workplan for August to December 2023 which had considered 33 items in total between January to October 2023, as detailed in an Appendix to the report;

(6) an Empty Homes Workshop had been held on 9th November 2023 which had included input from a number of stakeholders including the Scottish Empty Homes Partnership; and

(7) mandatory and non-mandatory training sessions were ongoing for elected members with members being encouraged to raise any areas of training or development that would assist them in their roles on the committee.

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

Hybrid meeting, 16th November 2023.

Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee.

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

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

Attainment – National Qualifications 2022/23 – Performance noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services providing information regarding the positive outcomes for young people across the city and the focus on improving further along with the performance of pupils in national qualifications in the senior phase,

(1) advising

(a) that Insight was the analytical tool available for all schools across Scotland and a number of new indicators had been included which allowed data at school level and city level to be viewed in different ways;

(b) that further work on the presentation of the data was needed to be able to show year-on-year progression which was critical for performance analysis, but that data taken from Insight had been presented in ways which showed year-on-year progression;

(c) that the analysis had been based on cumulative data by the end of S5 and S6 over the last 5 years but that conclusions could not be drawn from trends from data during 2020 and 2021 due to the disruptions in young people's education during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

(d) of Glasgow's performance against its virtual comparator and national figures using various filters, as detailed in the report; and

(2) detailing, in the appendix to the report, the full Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework.

Glasgow virtual school – Update noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 27th January 2022 (Print 6, page 436) instructing the Executive Director of Education Services to provide further updates on the development of Glasgow's Virtual School (GVS), there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding the continued developments related to GVS and the performance of care experienced young people who attended Glasgow schools along with the work of GVS,

(1) advising

(a) that whilst Glasgow's general school population consistently outperformed the care experienced population, there were areas of clear improvement among care experienced pupils and over the past 5 years a greater proportion of care experienced pupils were attaining more qualifications and were moving on to positive destinations;

(b) that attendance rates in the care experienced population were only marginally lower than they were in the general school population;

(c) that exclusion rates within the care experienced population were higher than they were in the general population within Glasgow, however, care experienced pupils were showing a continuing decline in the rate of exclusions;

(d) of the support mechanisms that had been put in place to support children and young people within GVS targeted groups; and

(e) of the steps which had been taken by the GVS in relation to support visits for schools, training for staff and the approach adopted by staff to work with children and young people who had found it difficult to engage with education; and

(2) detailing in an appendix to the report, case studies relating to care experienced learners' experiences and the mechanisms which had been put in place to support and develop learning for care experienced young people.

Glasgow City Integrated Children's Services Plan 2023-26 noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services outlining the Glasgow City Integrated Children's Services Plan (CSP) 2023-26,

(1) advising that

(a) Glasgow City Children's Services Planning Partnership was responsible for devising and implementing the CSP on a 3-year cycle,

as required by Part 3 of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014;

(b) the CSP had been developed in conjunction with representatives of key agencies across the Community Planning Partnership and informed by feedback from children and young people, and was aligned to the priorities of the Health and Social Care Partnership Strategic Plan;

(c) the key priorities for children's services for the next 3 years had been reviewed through recent evidence about children, young people and families' needs; and

(d) in order to operate more efficiently and effectively across the city, the plan outlined shared actions for children's services, which were underpinned by a commitment to addressing 6 priorities, as detailed in the report, and that a new priority had been added on the basis of feedback reflecting the importance of addressing poverty; and

(2) detailing, in an appendix to the report, the draft Glasgow City Integrated Children's Services Plan 2023-26.

West Partnership Improvement Plan 2023/24 – Update noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding the West Partnership Improvement Plan 2023/24,

(1) advising that the plan which sets out aims and actions to be delivered collaboratively across the 8 partner authorities of the West Partnership, was structured around 3 main workstreams, namely Wellbeing for Learning, Leadership Empowerment and Improvement, and Curriculum, Learning, Teaching and Assessment had been approved by Glasgow City Region Education Committee on 7th November 2023; and

(2) detailing, in appendices to the report, the West Partnership Improvement Plan 2023/24 and the West Partnership Evaluation Report 2022/23.

Annual Business Plan 2023/24 - Mid-year commitments and highlights - Update noted – Instruction to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

5 With reference to the minutes of 1st June 2023 (Print 2, page 47) noting the Annual Business Plan 2023/24, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services providing an update on the mid-year commitments and highlights of said plan, which aligned to the Council's Strategic Plan 2022-27, and focussed on 2 Grand Challenges of the Strategic Plan namely to reduce poverty and inequality in our communites and to increase opportunity and prosperity for all our citizens.

After consideration, the committee

(1) noted the

(a) report; and

(b) discussions between the City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery and relevant officers in Neighbourhhods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the re-establishement of a school street governance initiative to address issues such as car free zones at schools; and

(2) instructed the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to provide an update to the next meeting of this committee regarding the advancement of these discussions and any possible outcomes.

Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee annual assessment noted.

6 There was submitted and noted a report by Councillor Graham Campbell, Chair of this committee regarding an annual assessment of the work of the committee,

(1) advising that

(a) Council Standing Order No 32 required that an annual assessment of the work of each City Policy Committee should be carried out to assess the effectiveness of the working of the committee and to assess any training needs of members and officers, with the assessment being carried out by the relevant Convener in years 1 and 2 and an independent assessment being carried out in year 3 and every third year thereafter; and

(b) this committee had been re-established following the Local Government Elections with its Terms of Reference having been approved by Council on 19th May 2022 (Print 1, page 23);

(2) highlighting

(a) the work plan, which had been agreed on 9th March 2023 (Print 6, page 620);

(b) the wide range of papers throughout 2022/23 that committee had discussed, which included an equalities update which was brought to every second committee meeting, and had presentations from a range of stakeholders including members of the Directorate, Quality Improvement Officers, Lead Officers, Psychological Services and Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership representatives;

(c) the effectiveness of the working of the committee, indicating that the meetings had been attended well by members, and that members demonstrated good conduct and continued to develop a strong understanding of issues affecting education in the city; and

(d) engagement events that had been organised by Education Services' representatives for elected members; and

(3) detailing, in an Appendix to the report, a list of reports that had been considered by committee since 2020.

ENVIRONMENT AND LIVEABLE NEIGHBOURHOODS CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 21st November 2023.

Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee.

Present: Elaine McSporran (Chair), Declan Blench (substitute for Paul McCabe), Abdul Bostani, Holly Bruce, John Carson, Stephen Curran, Stephen Docherty, Sean Ferguson (substitute for Alex Kerr), Allan Gow, Kevin Lalley, Jon Molyneux, Cecilia O'Lone (substitute for Paul Carey) and Franny Scally.

Also present: Ruairi Kelly and Angus Millar.

Apologies: Paul Carey, Alex Kerr and Paul McCabe.

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

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Joint Health Protection Plan 2023-25 noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Joint Health Protection Plan (JHPP) 2023-25, advising

(1) that the Public Health etc (Scotland) Act 2008 required NHS Boards, in consultation with local authorities, to produce a JHPP which provided an overview of health protection (communicable disease and environmental health) priorities, provision and preparedness for the NHS Board area;

(2) that the Public Health Protection Unit at NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde had produced the JHPP 2023-25 in partnership with the relevant local authorities, as detailed in the report, with the plan being delayed by the country's response to the COVID-19 pandemic;

(3) that the plan set out the partnership commitments of each signatory organisation with regard to the protection of the public from risk and disease in line with the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Strategy;

(4) of the JHPP which covered the period from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2025, as detailed in an appendix to the report;

(5) that the supporting JHPP guidance published by the Scottish Government, stated that each signatory local authority should have the plan signed off by an appropriate Council committee;

(6) of the overarching aim and implementation of the plan; and

(7) that Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability had structures in place to deliver this Council's obligations under the said Act and it was intended that the next iteration of the plan would be presented to committee for consideration in 2025.

Roads Infrastructure Annual Status and Options Report 2023 noted.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the status of Glasgow's roads infrastructure, together with investment requirements and scenarios, advising

(1) that the Council was responsible for the operation and maintenance of a significant road network and associated infrastructure;

(2) that as part of the management of the roads infrastructure, an annual review was undertaken in line with the national best practice produced by the Society of Chief Officers of Transportation in Scotland;

(3) that the Annual Status and Options Report (ASOR), as detailed in an appendix to the report, set out the condition of the city's road related assets and provided a means of identifying and prioritising the overall funding needs of each of the asset categories;

(4) no equality impact assessment (EQIA) had been carried out on the ASOR at this stage, however an EQIA would be undertaken once the options had been reviewed and proposed; and

(5) of a summary of the current condition indicators and preferred investment options for each of the main asset categories, as detailed in the report, including information on carbon reduction benefits in relation to several investment options and initiatives and on climate adaptations.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the issues and investment options, as detailed in the ASOR 2023; and

(b) that the ASOR 2023 would feed into both the Council's budget setting process and capital programme monitoring.

Strategic approach to public electric vehicle charging infrastructure in Glasgow - Option for future delivery – Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding a strategic approach to public electric vehicle charging infrastructure (EVCI) in Glasgow and a recommended option for future delivery, 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 Glasgow City 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 EVIC 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, with the reasons 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 contents of the report; and

(b) agreed to recommend to the City Administration Committee approval of the recommended concession model option for future delivery of the public electric vehicle charging infrastructure in Glasgow.

Glasgow's Cycling and Urban Sports Strategy 2023-32 – Outcome of public engagement noted - Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding Glasgow's Cycling and Urban Sports Strategy 2023-32, 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 contents of the report; and

(b) agreed to recommend to the City Administration Committee approval of Glasgow's Cycling and Urban Sports Strategy 2023-32.

Glasgow's Road Safety Plan to 2030 – Update on work in relation to delivery of plan noted.

5 With reference to the minutes of the Environment, Sustainability and Carbon Reduction City Policy Committee of 24th August 2021 (Print 3, page 203) noting Glasgow's Road Safety Plan to 2030, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the work of Neighbourhoods, Regenerations and Sustainability's Road Safety Unit (RSU) in relation to the delivery of plan, advising

(1) that the Council had a statutory duty under section 39 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 to provide a road safety service, which must include measures to promote road safety through education, training and publicity (ETP) and provision to undertake studies into road traffic collisions to reduce and prevent them;

(2) that the RSU was responsible for the city-wide delivery of the ETP service, which included the development of road safety policy, research and partnership working;

(3) that in addition to the standard road safety service, the RSU had adopted an active school travel service and had created the School Travel and Road Safety theme to promote the delivery of the service;

(4) that the RSU had a local responsibility to manage all road safety matters and contributed towards the Scottish Government's National Framework for Road Safety to 2030, which outlined the national road casualty reduction targets which each local authority must achieve by 2030, with Glasgow on course to meet its targets to 2030, as detailed in appendix A of the report;

(5) of an overview of the work of the RSU in relation to:-

Road Safety Education;

Road Safety Training;

Road Safety Publicity;

Partnership Working; and

Active School Travel; and

(6) of an update on actions to be achieved within Glasgow's Road Safety Plan by 2030, as detailed in appendix D to the report.

Parking Services – Update noted.

6 With reference to the minutes of 14th March 2023 (Print 6, page 621) providing an update on the Council's Parking Services, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing a further update on the activities and progress of the Council's Parking Services, advising

(1) that a significant transformation of the Council's Parking Services had been undertaken in October 2022 and that the restructured service now encompassed all aspects of parking and related regulatory provisions within the Council's jurisdiction, such as bus lanes and the low emission zone;

(2) that over the past year, a thorough review of the functions had been undertaken, which had focussed on aligning operations with the needs of the city, the Council and its personnel;

(3) of an update on Parking Services' functions in relation to car parks, enforcement (including correspondence with the Scottish Government on various enforcement issues) and operations;

(4) of progress on multiple projects, along with details of several projects that were ongoing or in planning stages, as detailed in the report; and

(5) of the position in relation to the requirement for developers to contribute to the costs of promoting Traffic Regulation Orders.

Committee annual assessments noted.

7 There was submitted and noted a report by Councillor Elaine McSporran, Chair of this committee, regarding an annual assessment of the work of this committee and the Environment, Sustainability and Carbon Reduction (ESCR) City Policy Committee

(1) advising that

(a) Council Standing Order No 32 (8) required that an annual assessment of the work of each City Policy Committee be carried out to assess the effectiveness of the workings of the committee and to assess any training needs of members/officers and also the effectiveness of the implementation of agreed policies, with the assessment being carried out by the relevant Chair in years 1 and 2 and an independent assessment being carried out in year 3 and every third year thereafter;

(b) the ESCR City Policy Committee had been re-established in May 2022 following the Local Government Elections with its Terms of Reference having been approved by Council on 19th May 2022 (Print 1, page 23); and

(c) the Council on 8th December 2022 (Print 5, page 479) amended the title of the ESCR City Policy Committee to the Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods (ELN) City Policy Committee and approved updated Terms of Reference; and

(2) highlighting various issues, including

(a) the work plan for ESCR City Policy Committee from August to December 2022 approved on 23rd August 2022 (Print 2, page 297), with the committee having considered 14 items of business, as detailed in appendix 1 of the report;

(b) the work plans for the ELN City Policy Committee from January to June 2023 which had been approved by this committee on 31st January 2023 (Print 5, page 570) and August to December 2023 approved by this committee on 22nd August 2023 (Print 3, page 59), with the committee having considered 33 items of business up until the previous meeting on 3rd October 2023, as detailed in appendix 2 to the report;

(c) the contribution of members to the work plans, with the focus of work plans being on reports which reviewed, revised or created new policies and also considered reports for information and update; and

(d) the effectiveness of the working of both committees, including notable achievements, together with information on training needs.

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

Hybrid meeting, 7th November 2023.

Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee.

Present: Lana Reid-McConnell (Chair), Blair Anderson, Alexander Belic, Declan Blench, Abdul Bostani, Chris Cunningham, Stephen Docherty, Sean Ferguson (substitute for Christina Cannon), Rashid Hussain, Malcolm Mitchell, Robert Mooney, Eva Murray and Keiran O'Neill.

Also present: Angus Millar.

Apology: Christina Cannon.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); C Connolly and G Slater (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); F Barrett (for the Director of Regional Economic Growth); and I Campsie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Glasgow's Climate Plan - Annual Review noted etc.

1 With reference to minutes of the City Administration Committee of 17th June 2021 (Print 3, Page 174) approving Glasgow's Climate Plan, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, advising of

(1) the progress towards the City's 2030 net zero targets and the 59 actions and 5 key themes included in the plan including the status for each action, as detailed in appendix 1 to the report;

(2) the key highlights achieved in implementing the plan in the last year broadly split into the Climate Plan Themes, as detailed in appendix 2 to the report; and

(3) the key challenges in delivery of the Climate Plan, as detailed in appendix 3 to the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the progress regarding Glasgow's Climate Plan; and

(b) that a further update would be submitted to this committee in 12 months.

Glasgow Tree Plan – Details noted etc.

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 and the Glasgow Tree Plan, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the actions to deliver the Glasgow Tree Plan, advising

(1) of the progress towards a Forestry and Woodland Strategy together with the operational delivery of trees planted during 2022/23, as detailed in an appendix to the report;

(2) of the City Centre Strategy: Greening the City Landscape Action Plan together with the establishment of a dedicated web presence on the Council's website to promote the opportunities set out within the plan;

(3) of the establishment of a short life working group to accelerate delivery of street trees within the public realm together with funding considerations, as detailed in the report;

(4) of the 20 high level actions being taken towards increasing the tree canopy cover across Glasgow, as outlined in the report; and

(5) of the next steps.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the progress towards a Forestry and Woodland Strategy;

(b) the potential that tree and woodland planting across the operational estate had to contribute towards increased canopy cover and the City's Glasgow Climate Plan;

(c) the operational delivery of trees planted during 2022/23 and planned for 2023/24;

(d) that a short life working group with representatives from Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability had been established to take opportunities forward; and

(e) that a further report on the development of a new Tree Giving Scheme would be submitted to this committee before summer recess 2024.

Just Transition Skills Action Plan noted – Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

3 With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee on 14th September 2023 (Print 4, page 41) approving the recommendations of the Just

Transition Working Group and noting that a further report and action plan for the implementation of the recommendations would be submitted to this committee, there was submitted a report by the Director of Regional and Economic Growth, advising

(1) that the Just Transition Skills Action Plan (JTSAP) supplemented the working group report, having been developed to deliver on its recommendations;

(2) that the JTSAP had been jointly prepared by the Council and Skills Development Scotland and its purpose was to define and steer the role that skills would play in securing a just transition to a net zero and climate resilient economy;

(3) that the JTSAP had 3 objectives together with 25 Strategic actions, as detailed in an appendix to the report; and

(4) of the next steps.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed to recommend to the City Administration Committee approval of the Just Transition Skills Action Plan.

Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy noted – Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

4 With reference to the minutes of 23rd May 2023 (Print 2, page 58), noting the progress in the development of a Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy (LHEES) and that a final LHEES would be submitted to this committee, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, advising

(1) that The Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies (Scotland) Order 2022, required local authorities to produce a LHEES and publish their strategy and associated delivery plans by 31st December 2023 and to be renewed in a 5 year cycle;

(2) of the content of the LHEES which had 4 key focus areas namely, heat networks, individual or communal heating solutions, poor energy efficiency as a driver of fuel poverty and pre-1919 tenemental properties;

(3) of the outcome of a recent public consultation and engagement with stakeholders; and

(4) of the next steps in the process.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy; and

(b) agreed to recommend to the City Administration Committee approval of the Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy.

Public bodies duties on climate change - Annual Report 2022/23 noted.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the completed template for the Council's mandatory annual reporting duty on climate change, advising

(1) that between 2009 and 2015 all local authorities had signed up to the Scottish Climate Change Declaration and submitted a voluntary annual report to the Scottish Government via the Sustainable Scotland Network;

(2) that in 2016 it had become mandatory for all public sector bodies to provide an annual report on their actions in support of the Scottish Government's public bodies climate change duties;

(3) that the mandatory reporting framework aimed to encourage continuous improvement and enabled consistent information to be collected across public sector organisations;

(4) of the actions that a public body must exercise as required by the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009;

(5) that the 2022/23 annual submission provided

(a) detail on how climate mitigation action was progressing and provided updates on how the city was adapting to the challenge of local climate impacts brought about by global climate change; and

(b) updates on the key action taken by the Council to reduce emissions from its own estate and efforts to make the council procurement more sustainable and the area wide work undertaken to support a reduction in the city wide carbon emissions;

(6) that since the last submission in 2022, the reporting scope had changed to include both a broader range of emissions and more accurate representation through changes to the emissions factors in the calculations;

(7) of the completed reporting template which was expected to be submitted by 30th November 2023, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; and

(8) of some of the main areas where progress has been completed as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee noted the Council's Annual Report 2022/23 submission in response to public bodies duties under the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009.

Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee – Annual Assessment noted.

6 There was submitted and noted a report by Councillor Lana Reid-McConnell, Chair of this committee regarding an annual assessment of the work of the committee,

(1) advising that

(a) Council Standing Order No 32 required that an annual assessment of the work of each City Policy Committee should be carried out to assess the effectiveness of the working of the committee and to assess any training needs of members and officers, with the assessment being carried out by the relevant Convener in years 1 and 2 and an independent assessment being carried out in year 3 and every third year thereafter; and

(b) this committee was established in May 2022 following the Local Government Elections with its Terms of Reference having been approved by Council on 19th May 2022 (Print 1, page 23); and

(2) highlighting

(a) that workplans for the committee had been agreed on 9th August 2022 (Print 2, page 287) for August to December 2022, 17th January 2023 (Print 5, page 559) for January to June 2023 and 8th August 2023 (Print 3, page 65) for August to December 2023;

(b) that all members had been invited to input into the workplans with the focus being on reports which reviewed, revised or created new policies and on considering reports for information or update;

(c) that to date 46 items had been considered by committee, as detailed in an appendix to the report;

(d) the development needs of members including proposals for future training sessions; and

(e) the effectiveness of the working of the committee including the committee's notable achievements together with the supported presentation of 6 reports to the City Administration Committee for approval, as detailed in the report.

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

Hybrid meeting, 9th November 2023.

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

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

Apology: Annette Christie.

Attending: C Jack (Clerk); C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; C Quinn (for the Chief Executive); D Hamilton (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); K Duffy, B Garrett and A Olney (for the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life); and J Kerr (for the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership).

Keep Our Kibble Palace Free (Ward 23) – Public petition dealt with – Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration advising of a petition on behalf of individuals, containing 1,626 online signatures and 669 paper signatures, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report, submitted by Fiona Douglas, Principal Petitioner, of which 25 had been validated in accordance with the approved criteria, which highlighted the petitioners' concerns and outcomes sought by them in relation to their petition, together with comments from the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the issues raised in the petition, as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report.

The committee heard Fiona Douglas, Principal Petitioner and Lucy Reynolds, in support of the petition, which stated the petitioners' views and the aim of the petition that admission to the Kibble Palace remained free.

After consideration, the committee agreed

(1) that the issues raised in the petition deserved further action; and

(2) to recommend to the City Administration Committee that an Equality Impact Assessment should be carried out regarding the decision to introduce this policy, and that consultation should take place before the introduction of this policy with relevant stakeholders, community businesses and surrounding area partnerships affected.

Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee annual assessment noted.

2 There was submitted a report by Councillor Laura Doherty, Chair of this committee regarding an annual assessment of the work of the committee,

(1) advising that

(a) Council Standing Order No 32 (8) required that an annual assessment of the work of each City Policy Committee should be carried out each year to assess the effectiveness of the working of the committee and to assess any training needs of members and officers and the effectiveness of the implementation of agreed policies;

(b) the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee City Policy Committee had been re-established in May 2022 following the Local Government Elections with its Terms of Reference having been approved by Council on 19th May 2022 (Print 1, page 23); and

(c) the Council on 8th December 2022 (Print 5, page 479) amended the title of the Wellbeing, Empowerment, Community and Citizen Engagement City Policy Committee City Policy Committee to the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee and approved updated Terms of Reference; and

(2) highlighting

(a) the committee's co-opted external members and that a future report would bring forward proposals for 2 outstanding vacancies;

(b) that the committee's work programme had been agreed on 10th August 2023 (Print 3, page 75);

(c) recommendations made from the findings of an independent assessment in November 2021;

(d) that a Public Petitions Working Group had been established to review the Council's petitions process and would report to the committee at a future meeting with recommendations;

(e) the committee's contribution to the development of Council policy and a development session that had focussed on services for young people held on 21st September 2023; and

(f) members' mandatory and non-mandatory training sessions.

After consideration, the committee noted

(i) the annual assessment; and

(ii) that members would take or refresh their Equalities Impact Assessment (EQIA) training if they had not done so since May 2022.

Chief Social Work Officer annual report 2022/23 noted.

3 There was submitted a report by the Glasgow City Interim Chief Social Work Officer, regarding the annual report for the year 2022/23, advising

(1) of the role of the Chief Social Work Officer and that the Scottish Government had preserved the statutory role of the Chief Social Work Officer within the terms of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014;

(2) that the overall objective of the post was to ensure the provision of effective, professional advice to local authorities in relation to the provision of social work services and to ensure the delivery of safe, effective and innovative practice;

(3) of the governance and accountability arrangements where Social Work Services was engaged in a number of strategic partnerships to support the development and delivery of effective services across Glasgow and also the work of the Social Work Professional Governance Board, as detailed in an appendix to the report;

(4) of the service quality and performance/challenges and improvements across the city, as detailed in the report;

(5) that the Glasgow City Integration Joint Board (IJB) delivered a range of services to its citizens and operated in an increasingly challenging environment with funding not keeping pace with increased demand for services, in addition the demographic, health and deprivation profile of the city had an impact on demand for services and that the next 3 years would be the greatest financial challenge for the IJB since its inception; and

(6) of a breakdown of the workforce by service area, the Glasgow City HSCP Workforce Plan 2022 and the workforce challenges, training, learning and development.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the report; and

(b) that the annual report had been submitted to the Scottish Government.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership - Annual Business Plan 2023 noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP), regarding the Annual Business Plan (ABP) 2023 for the Glasgow City HSCP, which provided an overview of the partnership's priorities for 2023 and the resources available to deliver those priorities, as detailed in an appendix to the report.

Equality Impact Assessment guidance noted etc.

5 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive providing an update on a review of Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA) guidance,

(1) advising that

(a) an audit of EQIAs in 2022 had recommended that all guidance be refreshed to reflect recommendations around support to services and emerging developments in Human Rights and to refresh the guidance on an annual basis;

(b) it was anticipated that the current EQIA form would be refreshed in the coming year in advance of the next annual review in Autumn 2024; and

(c) the updated guidance would be used for forthcoming EQIA training sessions commencing in November 2023; and

(2) detailing, in an appendix to the report, the EQIA guidance update as at October 2023.

After consideration, the committee

(i) noted the

(A) revised guidance, as detailed in the appendix to the report; and

(B) rolling programme of forthcoming EQIA training and the next steps to provide those sessions on a monthly basis; and

(ii) recognised the focus of the EQIA as a tool and how it scrutinised decision making.

Live Well Community Referral Initiative noted.

6 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life, providing an overview of the Live Well Community Referral (LWCR) initiative piloted in Calton (Ward 9), advising

(1) that the LWCR initiative had been established by Glasgow Life to make use of its people and assets to support individuals and communities, especially those living in deprivation to improve health and wellbeing outcomes;

(2) that the pilot LWCR programme had focused on the area in and around the Calton ward which remained an area of high deprivation and home to communities and people that experienced poor health and wellbeing;

(3) that LWCR was a key commitment in the Council's Strategic Plan 2022-27 as part of Grand Challenge 1, Mission 4 "Support Glasgow to be a city that is active and culturally vibrant";

(4) of the LWCR pilot programme and the outcomes, as detailed in the report;

(5) that Glasgow Life was committed to expanding the initiative to become a sustainable, mainstream, citywide programme and a transition plan for expansion was currently being drafted and that implementation of the final version would be dependent on the findings and recommendations of the final external evaluation report as well as securing external funding;

(6) of the significant stakeholder and partner engagement that had taken place during the pilot phase; and

(7) that Glasgow Life would report on progress on expansion of the LWCR pilot to this committee and the city's Public Health Oversight Board.

After consideration, the committee noted the

(a) Live Well Community Referral initiative along with impact secured to date; and

(b) outline proposals for the expansion of Live Well Community Referral going forward.

Glasgow's Culture Strategy noted.

7 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life, regarding a programme to develop a Culture Strategy for Glasgow 2024-30, advising

(1) that Glasgow Life was responsible for the development of Glasgow's Culture Strategy and had appointed external consultants to support the development of the strategy;

(2) that a Culture Forum had been established to support the development of Glasgow's Culture Strategy and the subsequent implementation of associated action planning and governance recommendations and that this work had enabled the development of an initial draft of the strategy that identified the themes of Glasgow's Cultural Profile, Cultural Participation, Skills and Sustainability;

(3) of the draft Glasgow's Culture Strategy 2024-30, as detailed in an appendix to the report;

(4) of the current phase of strategy development activity and the consultation and engagement process; and

(5) of the initial findings of an online survey that had taken place from 29th September to 5th November 2023 and the timeline of the next steps.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the current activity and timescale to deliver Glasgow's Culture Strategy; and

(b) that the draft Glasgow's Culture Strategy and accompanying feedback survey had been online for engagement from 29th September to 5th November 2023.

CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 2nd November 2023.

Contracts and Property Committee.

Present: Franny Scally (Chair), Ken Andrew, Stephen Curran, Fiona Higgins (substitute for Thomas Rannachan), Fyeza Ikhlaq, Ruairi Kelly, Kevin Lally, Kenny McLean, Elaine McSporran, Leòdhas Massie, Jon Molyneux, and James Scanlon.

Apologies: Philip Braat and Thomas Rannachan.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); I Robertson, Director of City Development; 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).

Gartcraig Roads Depot, 217 Gartcraig Road (Ward 18) – Lease extension approved – Authority to Director of City Development.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority for an extension to a lease of Gartcraig Road Depot, 217 Gartcraig Road (Ward 18), advising

(1) that the Council currently occupied the Gartcraig Roads Depot under a lease from Strathclyde Partnership for Transport which was due to expire on 28th November 2023;

(2) that as part of the Property and Land Strategy the Council had undertaken a review of its depot provision, and that neither of the first 2 phases which had been developed would impact on the operation of the Gartcraig Roads Depot, and therefore provision for the depot remained as part of the operational infrastructure that required to be made;

(3) that pending the completion of the depot review, officers had provisionally agreed to extend the lease for an initial 3-year period with the Council having the option to extend for a further 2 years beyond that;

(4) that by extending the lease for a period up to 5 years would enable officers to determine the future of the depot in terms of the depot review and in extending the lease, the rent would remain at £150,000 per annum; and

(5) of the provisionally agreed Heads of Terms.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the extension of the lease of Gartcraig Roads Depot, 217 Gartcraig Road; and

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

Supply and delivery of Winter Hubs 2023 and 2024 festive activities – Award of contract under delegated authority noted.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a contract which had been awarded for the supply and delivery of Winter Hubs for 2023 and 2024 festive activities under the Council's Scheme of Delegated Functions, advising that

(1) there had been an urgency for this service concession contract to be awarded imminently to allow the recommended commissionaire, M & N Events Ltd the appropriate mobilisation time required to obtain a Temporary Public Entertainment Licence and be on site and open at St Enoch's Square for 27th October 2023 and George Square for around 24th November 2023;

(2) failure to have adhered to the mobilisation start dates would have restricted the Council's ability to obtain the significant income generation, detailed within the commissionaire's tender bid, and would have prevented the opening of the Winter Hubs by the specified dates;

(3) the Council would not incur any costs and would receive £550,000 revenue from the concessionaire over the 2-year period of the contract;

(4) the Council had undertaken a strategic view of the city's overall Christmas offering which identified an opportunity to develop a unique, innovative and inclusive winter offering, moving away from that of a traditional Christmas market previously delivered to a Winter Hubs approach; and

(5) the appointment of a single concessionaire to deliver Winter Hubs across 2 prime locations at George Square and St Enoch's Square would generate a high footfall and visitors from the Glasgow conurbation and beyond, thus supporting the economic and social recovery of the city.

After consideration, the committee noted the

(a) content of the report; and

(b) the appointment of M & N Events Ltd for the supply and delivery of Winter Hubs for 2023 and 2024 festive activities at George Square and St Enoch's Square, approved under the Scheme of Delegated Functions.

Supply and Delivery of two-wheeled 240 litre grey bins – Award of contract approved.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the supply and delivery of two-wheeled 240 litre grey bins, advising that

(1) the Council's budget for the supply and delivery of two-wheeled 240 litre grey bins was £2,989,000 which would be funded via the Zero Waste Scotland Recycling Improvement Fund;

(2) the contract was for the supply and delivery of 122,000 units of two-wheeled 240 litre grey bins fitted with low frequency Radio Frequency Identification chips, distributed to kerbside properties;

(3) the provision of these bins was to increase the amount and quality of recycling collected and processed, while contributing to the Council's climate target aspirations;

(4) the contract would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability who would monitor the supplier's day to day operational performance and that the duration would be from November 2023 to 31st March 2024; and

(5) 7 contractors appointed to Lot 1 of the framework had been invited to submit a tender bid, with 3 suppliers submitting a bid, and following an evaluation it was recommended that the contract be awarded to IPL Plastics (UK) Limited.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of the contract for the supply and delivery of two-wheeled 240 litre grey bins to IPL Plastics (UK) Limited.

Provision of transport and storage of rock salt – Award of contract approved.

4 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of transport and storage of rock salt, advising that the

(1) Council's budget for the provision of transport and storage of rock salt was £60,000 per annum;

(2) contract would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability who would be responsible for the supplier's day to day operational performance, that the duration was for 3 years with an option to extend for 3 periods of 12 months each, and that the overall period of the contract would be 6 years if the extensions were taken; and

(3) open tender process had resulted in 3 suppliers submitting a bid and, following an evaluation it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the provision of transport and storage of rock salt to Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited at a value of £110,000, totalling £660,000 over the 6 years durations of contract (including the three extensions if implemented).

Glasgow Justice Social Work Purchasing Framework – Award of contract approved – Authority to Head of Commissioning.

5 There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership regarding a Glasgow Justice Work Purchasing Framework tender to identify providers to deliver a range of community justice services, advising that

(1) a procurement exercise had been undertaken to replace a range of community justice services as previous contractual arrangements had been approaching expiry;

(2) the tender process had been split into 5 lots namely, Lot 1 – Community Sentencing – Unpaid Work, Lot 2 – Tenancy Sustainment, Lot 3 – Accommodation with Support – Female, Lot 4 - Specialist Services and Lot 5 – Purchased Justice Services delivered in the Community;

(3) 19 expressions of interest had been noted, that 6 tender bids had been received and following an evaluation it was recommended that the contracts be awarded to Turning Point Scotland Services Ltd for Lot 2, The Richmond Fellowship Scotland Ltd and CrossReach for Lot 4 and Action For Children, Turning Point Scotland Services Ltd, The Richmond Fellowship Scotland Ltd and CrossReach for Lot 5;

(4) no bids had been received for lots 1 and 3; and

(5) Commissioning, Finance and Care Group teams in Justice Services would manage the contract and provider performance in compliance with requirements of the Social Work Services Contract Management Framework, that the initial contract term for this service would be 3 years, with the option to extend a further period of 1 year, and that the total contract value was estimated at £6.4 million over 4 years.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the award of contract to the following providers for a period of 3 years with an option to extend the contract for a further 1 year:-

(i) Lot 2 – Tenancy Sustainment, to Turning Point Scotland Services Ltd;

(ii) Lot 4 – Specialist Services, to The Richmond Fellowship Scotland Ltd and CrossReach; and

(iii) Lot 5 – Purchased Justice Services delivered in the Community, to Action For Children, Turning Point Scotland Services Ltd, The Richmond Fellowship Scotland Ltd and CrossReach;

(b) authorised the Head of Commissioning to progress negotiations with the current providers of the unfilled Lots without further prior publication; and

(c) noted that continuance of contractual arrangements into the extension period would be subject to satisfactory service review outcomes being achieved.

Glasgow Kinship Care Safeguarding and Support Service – Award of contract approved.

6 There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership regarding tenders received for the provision of Glasgow Kinship Care Safeguarding and Support Service, advising that

(1) the current Kinship Care Safeguarding and Support Service contract arrangements had approached expiry and a Contract Notice had been published on the UK Find a Tender Service and Public Contracts Scotland websites;

(2) Commissioning, Finance and Care Group teams in Children and Families Services would manage the contract and provider performance, and the initial contract term for this service was 3 years, with the option to extend for a further period of 2 years at an estimated value of £1,621,150 over the full 5 years; and

(3) the tender process had been split into 3 lots, namely Lot 1 – North East Glasgow, Lot 2 – North West Glasgow and Lot 3 – South Glasgow.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the award of contract for the provision for the Glasgow Kinship Safeguarding and Support Service to the following providers:-

(i) Lot 1 – North East Glasgow to Quarriers/Children 1st Consortium;

(ii) Lot 2 – North West Glasgow to Quarriers/Children 1st Consortium; and

(iii) Lot 3 – South Glasgow to Children 1st/Quarriers Consortium; and

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

Contract hire of cars – Award of contract approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the contract hire of cars, advising that

(1) the Council's allocated annual budget for the contract hire of 330 cars was £1,650,000;

(2) the contract would be utilised by Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership and the supplier's day to day performance would be monitored by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS);

(3) the contract hire period was for 2 years to allow NRS the time to prepare a business case, inclusive of operational and financial commitment, for longer term vehicle and charging infrastructure requirements that would support the aims and objectives of the Council's Fleet Strategy; and

(4) all 17 suppliers appointed to Lot 1 of the Crown Commercial Services framework had been invited to take part in an offline capability and capacity assessment, 12 had submitted a bid and following an evaluation it was proposed the contract be awarded to ALD Automotive Ltd.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the contract hire of cars to ALD Automotive Ltd at an overall contract award of £1,525,937.

CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 23rd November 2023.

Contracts and Property Committee.

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

Apologies: Ken Andrew, Jon Molyneux and Thomas Rannachan.

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).

Assessment and orientation support in accommodation for young unaccompanied asylum seekers aged 16 and over – Award of contract approved.

1 There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership regarding tenders received for assessment and orientation support in accommodation for young unaccompanied asylum seekers aged 16 and over, advising that

(1) a Contract Notice advertising the Invitation to Tender had been published on the UK Find a Tender Service and Public Contracts Scotland websites on 13th June 2023 using an open procedure;

(2) the initial contract term for this service was 17 months, with the option to extend for a further period of 2 years, and that the extension period would be implemented subject to a satisfactory review being concluded and to ensure alignment with the lease for the building;

(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) 2 bids had been received and following an evaluation it was recommended the contract be awarded to The Mungo Foundation.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the award of contract for a period of 17 months with an option to extend for a further 2 years to The Mungo Foundation at a value of £1,351,980.60 over 41 months of the contract term; and

(b) noted that continuance of contractual arrangements into the extension period would be subject to satisfactory service review outcomes being achieved and alignment with the lease for the building.

30 Charles Street (Ward 22) – Lease approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to grant a 25-year lease of premises at 30 Charles Street (Ward 22) to Glasgow's No.1 Baby and Family Support Service through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme, advising

(1) that the subject site had been used by the Council's Financial Services and was no longer required;

(2) that Glasgow's No.1 Baby and Family Support Service had been established in September 2017 as a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation, and following a considerable increase in demand for support, now required to increase its services; and

(3) of the provisionally agreed terms of the contract.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the terms provisionally agreed for the lease of 30 Charles Street to Glasgow's No.1 Baby and Family Support Service, through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme; and

(b) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to grant a lease to Glasgow's No.1 Baby and Family Support Service, that would include as appropriate, terms and conditions that

(i) maintained a high level of public and democratic scrutiny over the operation of the Council-owned facility;

(ii) maintained close alignment with all relevant Council policies, including mechanisms for 'keeping pace' with future policy changes; and

(iii) provided options for recourse should either of these things cease to be maintained or if any actions were taken by the leaseholder which the Council considered detrimental to its reputation or to the wider public interest.

25 Shakespeare Street (Ward 15) – Off-market disposal approved etc – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

3 With reference to the minutes of 8th June 2023 (Print 2, page 71) approving the principle of an off-market disposal of 25 Shakespeare Street (Ward 15) to Maryhill Housing Association Limited, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking approval for the off-market disposal of 25 Shakespeare Street to Maryhill Housing Association Limited,

(1) advising that the subject site had most recently been utilised as short-term emergency accommodation on behalf of the Health and Social Care Partnership and subsequently declared surplus on 15th March 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 25 Shakespeare Street to Maryhill Housing Association Limited, subject to the 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.

31 Seamill Street (Ward 3) – Off-market disposal approved – Instruction to Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP – Declaration of interest.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to commence negotiations for an off-market disposal of 31 Seamill Street (Ward 3) to Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited, advising that

(1) the subject site was the former Nitshill Childcare Unit and had been recently utilised as short-term accommodation for children on behalf of the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) and had been declared surplus on 4th July 2023; and

(2) due to the limited availability of housing stock for larger families, HSCP had agreed to relinquish the property to the Council's Homelessness Services, and it was recommended that the property was disposed to Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited to manage.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved in principle the off-market disposal of 31 Seamill Street to Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited;

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

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

In terms of Standing Order No 27, Councillor McLean declared an interest in this item of business and left the meeting and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

Contracts awarded in terms of Scheme of Delegated Functions noted.

5 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing contracts awarded, in terms of the Scheme of Delegated Functions, during the period from 1st July to 30th September 2023.

Civils and infrastructure core works framework – Award of contract approved.

6 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administratration regarding tenders received for appointment to the framework agreement for the provision of civils and infrastructure core works, advising that

(1) the Council's spend on civils and infrastructure core works was approximately £31m per annum;

(2) the framework would be predominantly used by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability but could be used by all Council service areas, the Council's Arm's Length Organisations, as well as other participating local authorities, as detailed in the report, and would commence in December 2023 for a period of 4 years;

(3) 45 contractors had submitted a bid across the 16 Lots, and following an evaluation it was recommended the Lots were awarded to the providers, as detailed in the report; and

(4) the increase in spend took account of anticipated spend on business as usual projects, City Deal projects, Active Travel Transformation projects, bus corridor works projects, spend from other participating local authorities, and a contingency of 30% for other potential requirements.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of a framework agreement for civils and infrastructure core works at an estimated spend of up to £400m over the 4 years to:

(a) Lot 1:-
Cairn Construction Ltd SC744683
Hamilton Tarmac (Sole Trader)
Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited SC135103
JH Civil Engineering Limited SC195621
John McGeady Ltd SC080553
Luddon Construction Limited SC057943
MacLay (Civil Engineering) Limited SC058460
Newlay Civil Engineering Ltd SC425918
Roadlay Ltd SC627525
Tarmac Trading Limited 453791

(b) Lot 2:-
Cairn Construction Ltd SC744683
Centregreat Limited 1169341
Covanburn Contracts Limited SC263761
George Leslie Limited SC251886
Hamilton Tarmac (Sole Trader)
Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited SC135103
JH Civil Engineering Limited SC195621
John McGeady Ltd SC080553
Kelburne Construction Limited SC068853
Lochwynd Limited SC143213
Luddon Construction Limited SC057943
MacLay (Civil Engineering) Limited SC058460
Newlay Civil Engineering Ltd SC627525
Rainton Construction (Scotland) Ltd SC565812
RJ McLeod (Contractors) Limited SC028565
Stepford Contracts Ltd SC644529

(c) Lot 3:-
Advance Construction (Scotland) Ltd SC202570
Cairn Construction Ltd SC744683
Centregreat Limited 1169341
Covanburn Contracts Limited SC263761
George Leslie Limited SC251886
Hamilton Tarmac (Sole Trader)
Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited SC135103
I & H Brown Limited SC040891
JH Civil Engineering Limited SC195621
John McGeady Ltd SC080553
Lochwynd Limited SC143213
Luddon Construction Limited SC057943
MacLay (Civil Engineering) Limited SC058460
Newlay Civil Engineering Ltd SC425918
Rainton Construction (Scotland) Ltd SC565812
RJ McLeod (Contractors) Limited SC028565
Stepford Contracts Ltd SC644529
Wills Bros Civil Engineering Limited 7253083

(d) Lot 4:-
JH Civil Engineering Limited SC195621
Kiely Bros Limited 3487871

(e) Lot 5:-
Kiely Bros Limited 3487871

(f) Lot 6:-
Sharp Asphalt Ltd 6782185

(g) Lot 7:-
Highway Barrier Solutions Limited NI67706

(h) Lot 8:–
John McGeady Ltd SC080553
Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited SC135103
Markon Limited SC076319
Multevo Limited 7308583

(i) Lot 9:-
Central Traffic Management Limited SC284264
Mainline Road Marking Ltd SC405761
Markon Limited SC076319
WJ North Limited 2884681

(j) Lot 10:-
Central Traffic Management Limited SC284264
Mainline Road Marking Ltd SC405761
Markon Limited SC076319
WJ North Limited 2884681

(k) Lot 11:-
Central Traffic Management Limited SC284264
Class One Traffic Management Ltd SC160959
Contraflow Limited SC105179
Glenmavis Traffic Management Ltd SC453478
Lochwynd Limited SC143213
Markon Limited SC076319
Sunbelt Rentals Limited 444569
Total Traffic Safety & Management Ltd SC733046

(l) Lot 12:-
Covanburn Contracts Limited SC263761
Hillhouse Quarry Group Limited SC135103
JH Civil Engineering Limited SC195621
Luddon Construction Limited SC080553
MacLay (Civil Engineering) Limited SC058460
P1 Solutions Ltd SC062396
Rainton Construction (Scotland) Ltd SC565812
RJ McLeod (Contractors) Limited SC028565

Stepford Contracts Ltd SC644529
Wills Bros Civil Engineering Limited 7253083

(m) Lot 13:-
Centregreat Limited 1169341
Lightways (Contractors) Limited SC064413
Pegasus Power and Communications Ltd SC209245;

(n) Lot 14:-
Advance Construction (Scotland) Ltd SC202570
Cairn Construction Ltd SC744683
Covanburn Contracts Limited SC263761
JH Civil Engineering Limited SC195621
John McGeady Ltd SC080553
Landcare Solutions (Scotland) Ltd SC258750
M Squared (Scotland) Ltd SC479137
P1 Solutions Ltd SC062396
Stepford Contracts Ltd SC644529
Tivoli Group Limited 11120774

(o) Lot 15:-
Ayrshire Tree Surgeons Limited SC351860
Covanburn Contracts Limited SC263761
Ljx Ltd SC344512
Tivoli Group Limited 11120774

(p) Lot 16:-
Covanburn Contracts Limited SC263761
John McGeady Ltd SC080553
Landcare Solutions (Scotland) Ltd SC258750
Landscapes and Contracts Limited SC223969
M Squared (Scotland) Ltd SC479137
Stepford Contracts Ltd SC644529

Provision of winter maintenance assistance services – Award of framework agreement approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of winter maintenance assistance services, advising that

(1) the Council's budget for the provision of winter maintenance assistance services was £125,000 per annum;

(2) the contract would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), Social Work Services (SWS) and Glasgow Life, NRS and SWS would monitor the supplier's day to day performance, and that the duration of the framework was from December 2023 to April 2027; and

(3) of the 13 suppliers who had accessed the open tender, 5 had submitted a bid and following an evaluation it was recommended the contract be awarded to the providers, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of a framework agreement for the provision of winter maintenance assistance services at an estimated award value of £500,000 over the 4 years duration of the framework to the following suppliers:-

(a) Lot 1:–
Stepford Contracts Ltd SC644529
John McGeady Ltd SC080553
JH Civil Engineering Ltd SC195621

(b) Lot 2:–
Idverde 03542918
John McGeady Ltd SC080553
Stepford Contracts Ltd SC644529
JH Civil Engineering Ltd SC195621

EMERGENCY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 12th October 2023.

Emergency Committee.

Present: Susan Aitken (Chair), Allan Casey, George Redmond and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Richard Bell, Jacqueline McLaren and Jon Molyneux.

Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); A O'Donnell, Chief Executive; M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; and S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Streamlined Asylum Process - Report by Chief Executive noted etc – Authority to Chief Executive.

1 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive regarding a decision by the Home Office to accelerate decision making in relation to approximately 2,500 batched asylum decisions in Glasgow by the end of the year and highlighting the associated impacts

(1) advising

(a) of the likely impact of this decision on the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) in 2023/24 and the potential costs which could be as much as £53.4m taken as a full year effect and based on known numbers;

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

(c) 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;

(d) that based on current data, approximately 77% of households who received a positive decision in Glasgow went on to make a homelessness application with the local authority and that around 82% of homeless applications made by those who were previously asylum seekers resulted in a permanent tenancy being secured which would mean that, based on the modelling detailed in the report, an additional 1,138 lets would be required to meet this increase in demand;

(e) that it was not clear where these additional lets could be met from as there was already a shortfall of approximately 1,600 properties to deal with current pressures and that this would lead to people spending

longer periods in hotel and bed and breakfast accommodation, where this could be sourced, and if unable to be sourced could lead to an increase in rough sleeping;

(f) that it was also anticipated that Glasgow might see an increase in those seeking to access homelessness services from cities outwith Glasgow;

(g) that in addition to the positive decisions, COSLA had indicated that there was likely to be around 700 negative asylum decisions and that as these households had No Resource To Public Funds (NRPF) there was every likelihood that Glasgow would see an increased pattern of people with 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;

(h) that for those families with children, the Council retained a statutory role in providing accommodation through section 22 of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 and that this would have a further bearing on financial pressures;

(i) that the number of people likely requiring homelessness assistance would increase resulting in the HSCPs Homelessness Service finding it exceedingly challenging to meet the additional demand with potential additional staffing resources required estimated at a cost of £509,892, as detailed in the report; and

(j) that given the housing and emergency accommodation challenges within the city it was highly likely that an alternative source of accommodation would be required which would need extensive scoping and a return to contingency planning arrangements previously considered during the planning for Ukrainian arrivals such as rest centre scenarios and that as the situation could unfold extremely rapidly officers might need to make urgent decisions to respond to destitution;

(2) detailing 2 different costing scenarios for Glasgow with the assumption of scenario 1 being 2,500 asylum seekers of which 1,800 receive a positive decision resulting in outturn increasing from £10.1m to £27.6m and for scenario 2 being an assumption of current rate of decisions resulting in outturn increasing from £10.1m to £15.8m;

(3) highlighting the full year implications for 2024/25 and if the anticipated numbers, as detailed in the report proceeded this would represent an additional pressure of £53.4m for the service in addition to the underlying budget pressure of £16.7m, representing a potential total budget pressure of £70.1m for 2024/25; and

(4) confirming that

(a) work was currently being undertaken by the HSCP to mitigate the impact of the significant increase in demand for refugee services and accommodation in Glasgow, as detailed in the report; and

(b) there were a number of obvious risks and it was proposed that a formal risk register be developed.

After consideration, the committee

(i) noted

(A) the contents of the report;

(B) that the financial impact of this decision could cost £53.4m;

(C) that the UK Government had advised that it would not be providing funding to cover these costs; and

(D) the operational impact, the limited capacity within available accommodation in the city and the requirement for increased use of bed and breakfast and hotel accommodation;

(ii) authorised the Chief Executive to take decisions as outlined in the report and that these decisions would be reported retrospectively to the relevant committee; and

(iii) agreed to consider all available routes in escalating these matters to the Home Office and UK Government as well as any legal avenues given the wider financial, reputational and economic implications.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 11th October 2023.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

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

Apologies: Thomas Kerr and Leòdhas Massie.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D Anderson, B Carroll and B Japp (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Sergeant L Campbell, 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

Jerry Basil (PD29466)

Francis Carey (PD28393)

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE

Michael Ward (TD16396)

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

2 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*
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (NEW)			
Harry Bruce (HMO06705)	3/2, 169 Craighall Road (Ward 16)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)			
Ashfaq Ahmed (PD29872)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Rizwan Naseer (PD30434)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Arif Ashraf (PD30560)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information
STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (NEW)			
Nisar Ahmad (ST01374)	Mobile within the city centre and west end area	3 years	Refused
Ian Adie (ST01363)	On Buchanan Street outside No 112, 20 metres north of Royal Bank Place (Ward 10)	Temporary from 27th October to 11th November 2023	Granted
TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)			
Michael McSorley (TD16643)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to undergo a medical examination

Application by Abdul Wajid Mian for private hire car driver's licence (PD30559) refused, after division.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an application by Abdul Wajid Mian (PD30559) for a private hire car driver's licence (New) for 3 years.

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

Councillor Pidgeon, seconded by Bailie Raja, 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.

Complaints against various holders of private hire car licence dealt with.

4 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 11 complaints against various holders of a private hire car licence.

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

Licence holder and reference number	*Decision*
Dan Cars Ltd (PV20353)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Dan Cars Ltd (PV22248)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Blue 23 Cars (PV19901)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Scot Cars Ltd (PV20261)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Brothers Cars (PV21131)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Brothers Cars (PV21135)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance

AM Cars (PV21721)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Chris Connell (PV22314)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Stuart McKinley (PV22465)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Tree Cars (PV20502)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Liaqat Ali (PV21687)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance

Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 – Request to consider whether Steven Murray remained a fit and proper person to be entered in register of private landlords – Action agreed.

5 With reference to the minutes of 23rd August 2023 (Print 3, page 108) continuing consideration of a request to consider whether Steven Murray remained a fit and proper person to be entered in the register of private landlords, in terms of Part 8 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004, there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the matter.

After consideration, the committee agreed not to remove Steven Murray from the register of private landlords.

Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 - Applications to be entered in register of private landlords dealt with.

6 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 3 applications to be entered in the register of private landlords, in terms of Part 8 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004.

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

Applicant	*Duration*	*Decision*
Brookness Ltd	3 years	Refused
Harlan Figueiredo	3 years	Granted
Joseph Short	3 years	Refused

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 1st November 2023.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

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

Apologies: Sean Ferguson, Zen Ghani and Jill Pidgeon.

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

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

1 There were submitted reports by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of various taxi 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 taxi drivers' licences for the unexpired portion of their duration with immediate effect:-

Licence holder and reference number

Roger Smith (TD15352)

Lindsay McLean (TD16540)

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 10 applications for various types of licences.

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

Applicant and reference number	*Premises/stance*	*Duration*	*Decision*
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (NEW)			
Gao Assets Ltd (HMO06721)	1/1, 12 Cuddies Walk (Ward 16)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Ravikumar Singh (HMO06724)	1/1, 16 Marne Street (Ward 22)	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
Liangbiao (Alan) HU (HMO06731)	2/2, 108 Stratford Street (Ward 15)	3 years	(1) Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (2) Warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (EXISTING)			
Simon Singh (HMO04565)	Flat B, 23 Errol Gardens (Ward 8)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and

			Sustainability
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)			
Abdi Risaaq Ahmed Jabir (PD30612)	n/a	3 years	Granted
Azhar Khan (PD30628)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information
Alhadi Ali (PD30737)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)			
Asif Mohammed (PD30424)	n/a	3 years	Granted for a restricted period of 1 year and warning issued regarding applicant's future conduct
STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (NEW)			
Russell Campbell (ST01405)	On pavement on south side of St Vincent Place, 70 metres west of North Court (Ward 10)	Temporary from 14th November to 24th December 2023	Granted with dispensation from condition 14
STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)			
Ying Quan (ST01018)	South side of Beith Street, 70 metres west of Benalder Street (Ward 23)	3 years	Granted

Application by Efrem Gebrekristos for private hire car driver's licence (PD30668) refused, after division.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an application by Efrem Gebrekristos (PD30668) for a private hire car driver's licence (New) for 3 years.

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

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Jassemi, 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 2 for the motion. There being an equality of votes, the Chair gave his casting vote in favour of the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried and the application was refused.

Exclusion of public.

4 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 paragraphs 6 and 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Application by Kamran Javid for private hire car driver's licence (PD30750) granted.

5 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an application by Kamran Javid (PD30750) for a private hire car driver's licence (New) for 3 years.

After consideration, the committee granted the application.

Complaints against various holders of private hire car licence dealt with.

6 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 20 complaints against various holders of a private hire car licence.

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

Licence holder and reference number	*Decision*
Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV21420)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV21419)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV21375)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV20635)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV21416)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Muhammad Javed (PV20657)	Licence revoked
HPN Leasing (PV21070)	Licence revoked
R & J Cars (PV22405)	Licence revoked
Cars 4 U 1 Ltd (PV22509)	No action
Philip Osborne (PV22415)	Licence revoked
Mohamad Shooshtarian (PV21189)	Licence revoked
Dan Cars Ltd (PV20353)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Dan Cars Ltd (PV22248)	Licence revoked
Blue 23 Cars (PV19901)	Licence revoked
Scott Cars Ltd (PV20261)	Licence revoked
Brothers Cars (PV21131)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Brothers Cars (PV21135)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Stuart McKinley (PV22465)	Licence revoked
Tree Cars (PV20502)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Liaqat Ali (PV21687)	Licence revoked

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Request by Grice Consultancy to display external advertising on private hire car (PV20857/Plate No 4202) – Consideration continued.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a request by Grice Consultancy for approval to display external advertising on a private hire car (PV20857/Plate No 4202) in respect of an advertisement for Saltire Private Hire

(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 any signs for the purposes of advertising its services as a private hire car; and

(2) attaching correspondence by Grice Consultancy in support of the request, including the relevant advertising material.

After consideration, the committee continued consideration of the request to allow amended advertising material to be produced showing the required Glasgow City Council side stickers.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 8th November 2023.

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); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); and C Hughes (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Complaints against various licence holders dealt with.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 9 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	
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV21019)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Tanvir Malik (PV21487)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE	
Aleem Ahmed Alvi (PD28391)	No action
Mohammed Saleem (PD29004)	No action
TAXI LICENCE	
Glen Mac Taxi Service (TV08303)	Licence suspended for 4 months with immediate effect
Chorley Taxis (TV08357)	Licence suspended for 1 week with immediate effect
Satin N Lace Taxi Service (TV08388)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance

Nac Taxi Co (TV08869)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE

Mohammad Imran (TD16556)	No action

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Advertising on licensed vehicles - Review of private hire cars and taxis advertising policies agreed – Instruction to Director of Legal and Administration.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a proposed review of the Advertising on Licensed Vehicles Private Hire Cars Policy and the Advertising on Licensed Vehicles Taxis Policy, advising

(1) that this authority regulated the licensing of private hire cars and taxis under the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 and could impose conditions on licences as part of this process;

(2) of the relevant conditions of a private hire car licence and taxi licence in relation to both policies, as detailed in the report;

(3) of the terms of both policies, as detailed in appendices 1 and 2 to the report; and

(4) that although there was no statutory obligation under the said Act to review existing policies, as a matter of good practice, policies should be reviewed from time to time to ensure they remained necessary and appropriate in terms of ensuring public safety.

After consideration, the committee instructed the Director of Legal and Administration to carry out a review of the Advertising on Licensed Vehicles Private Hire Cars Policy and Advertising on Licensed Vehicles Taxis Policy, by way of a consultation, and to report back with the findings of each review.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 15th November 2023.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

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

Apology: Eunis Jassemi.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); S Downie (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Inspector G Griffiths, Police Scotland.

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 10 applications for various types of licences.

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

Applicant and reference number	*Premises/stance*	*Duration*	*Decision*
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE (NEW)			
Muzamal Chaudhry (PV23799)	n/a	3 years	Continued for vehicle details, inspection and production of requisite documentation
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)			
Imran Munir Chaudhry (PD30757)	n/a	3 years	Refused
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)			
Mahamudul Hassan (PD30202)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Woleed Mohamed (PD30736)	n/a	3 years	Granted

STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (NEW)

Rowland Hill (ST01419)	On west side of Montrose Street, 10 metres south of junction of Cochrane Street and Montrose Street (Ward 10)	Temporary on 19th November 2023	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in correspondence by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

TAXI LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Cairn Taxi Service (TV09075)	n/a	3 years	Continued for vehicle inspection and production of requisite documentation
Golfview Taxi Service (TV09133)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
DBS Taxi Service (TV09134)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Durkin Cabs (TV09142)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Gurmail Singh (TD16821)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 22nd November 2023.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

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

Apology: Leòdhas Massie.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); S Dickson and B Japp (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Inspector G Griffiths, Police Scotland.

Applications for private hire car licence – Consideration continued.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 3 applications for the renewal of a private hire car licence for 3 years.

After consideration, the committee continued consideration of the undernoted applications to allow the applicants to be in attendance:-

Applicant and reference number

Blue 23 Cars (PV23261)

Martin Connor (PV23262)

Kamran Seema (PV23472)

Complaints against various licence holders dealt with - Dissent.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 27 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	
Fritz Roger Ngombe Manga (PV20662)	Continued for further information

Network Private Hire Ltd (PV21019)	Continued at request of licence holder
Martin Connor (PV19933)	Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
Prestto Services Ltd (PV21443)	Continued at request of licence holder
Penelope Hire (PV21463)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV21507)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
William Flynn (PV21698)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Pacific Cars Ltd (PV21718)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Contract Vehicles (PV21739)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Cars 4 U 1 Ltd (PV22906)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
HPN Leasing (PV23067)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
HPN Leasing (PV20379)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
HPN Leasing (PV20389)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20331)	Continued at request of licence holder
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20335)	Continued at request of licence holder
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20337)	Continued at request of licence holder
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV21865)	Continued at request of licence holder
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV21866)	Continued at request of licence holder

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

Imran Lal (PD29563)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Fritz Roger Ngombe Manga (PD28958)	Continued for further information
David Masterson (PD30072)	Warning issued regarding licence holder's failure to comply with conditions of licence
Saleem Dean (PD26728)	No action
Abdo Adam (PD30439)	Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect, Bailie Raja dissenting

TAXI LICENCE

Satin N Lace Taxi Service (TV08388)	Licence revoked
H & S Taxi Service (TV07802)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Dunmar Taxi Service (TV08093)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE

Andrew Chapman (TD16507)	No action, Bailie Raja dissenting

Complaint regarding private hire car licence of Tanvir Malik (PV21487) – Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration, after division.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a complaint in respect of the private hire car licence of Tanvir Malik (PV21487).

Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Sean Ferguson, moved that the licence be suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration.

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Pidgeon, moved as an amendment that the licence be suspended for 6 weeks.

On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 3 members voted for the amendment and 3 for the motion. There being an equality of votes, the Chair gave his casting vote in

favour of the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried and the licence was suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration.

Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 – Requests to consider whether various landlords remained fit and proper persons to be entered in register of private landlords dealt with.

4 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 4 requests by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to consider whether various landlords remained fit and proper persons to be entered in the register of private landlords, in terms of Part 8 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004.

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

Landlord	*Decision*
Zakira Hussain	Continued to allow landlord to be in attendance
Alireza Rahavard	Continued to allow landlord to be in attendance
Arkiton Ltd	Continued to allow landlord to be in attendance
Saracen Scotland Ltd	Agreed not to remove from register of private landlords

Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 - Applications to be entered in register of private landlords dealt with.

5 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 11 applications to be entered in the register of private landlords for a period of 3 years, in terms of Part 8 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004.

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

Applicant	*Decision*
Bernadette Whoriskey	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Colin Wilson	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Hafiz Islam	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Mohammed Islam	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Harjinder Singh	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
John Maguire	Continued for further information

Liaqat Ali	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Naeem Amin	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Samiul Khan	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Shameela Ali	Continued for outstanding matters to be completed to satisfaction of Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Vlassis Ntaoulias	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 10th October 2023.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Robert Mooney and Anne McTaggart.

Attending: P Yule (Clerk); and T Hughes (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.

Education Services – Representations dealt with – Grievance upheld in part.

3 The committee considered representations from an employee within Education Services.

Having heard the appellant, S Collins, EIS and J Tees and T Gough, Education Services, the committee, after discussion, upheld the grievance in part.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 17th October 2023.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Anne McTaggart and Cecilia O'Lone.

Attending: Z Chaudhry (Clerk); and J McCormack (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, L McGowan, Unison and F Armstrong, and L Andrew, Financial Services, the committee, after discussion, rejected the appeal.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 24th October 2023.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Ruairi Kelly and Robert Mooney.

Attending: E Miller (Clerk); and J McCormack (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.

Education Services - Appeal against dismissal rejected.

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

Having heard the appellant, D Wapplington, NASUWT and A Allan and D Hutchison, Education Services, the committee, after discussion, rejected the appeal.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 1st November 2023.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Cecilia O'Lone and Hanif Raja.

Attending: E Miller (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.

Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability - Appeal against dismissal upheld.

3 The committee considered an appeal against dismissal by an employee previously employed in Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Having heard the appellant, C Mitchell, GMB and P Carruthers and D McWilliams, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee, after discussion, upheld the appeal and substituted the dismissal with a final written warning and a 12 week period of unpaid suspension.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 7th November 2023.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Ruairi Kelly and Kevin Lalley.

Attending: P Yule (Clerk); and F Armstrong (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.

Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability - Appeal against dismissal rejected.

3 The committee considered an appeal against dismissal by an employee previously employed in Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Having heard the appellant, C Mitchell, GMB and R Souter and T McGowan, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee, after discussion, rejected the appeal.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 22nd November 2023.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Anne McTaggart and Hanif Raja.

Attending: E Paton (Clerk); and F Armstrong (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.

Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability - Appeal against dismissal rejected.

3 The committee considered an appeal against dismissal by an employee previously employed in Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Having heard the appellant, C Mitchell, GMB and A Clarke and R Smith, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee, after discussion, rejected the appeal.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 23rd November 2023.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

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

Attending: E Paton (Clerk); and T Hughes (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.

Education Services – Representations dealt with – Grievance rejected.

3 The committee considered representations from an employee within Education Services.

Having heard the appellant, D Wapplington, NASUWT, and J Miller, A Allan and B McDermott, Education Services, the committee, after discussion, rejected the grievance.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 10th October 2023.

Planning Applications Committee.

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

Apologies: Maureen Burke, Thomas Kerr and Hanif Raja.

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

2 Kirklee Terrace Lane (Ward 23) – 22/02769/FUL and 23/01393/LBA – Conversion and extension of garage to form one dwellinghouse and associated works - Planning permission and listed building consent minded to conditionally grant.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding applications by SGA Studio for plannning permission and listed building consent for the conversion and extension of a garage to form one dwellinghouse and associated works at 2 Kirklee Terrace Lane (Ward 23) - 22/02769/FUL and 23/01393/LBA.

After consideration, the committee agreed that it was minded to conditionally grant planning permission and listed building consent, subject to

(1) an additional condition No 21 to read:-

"Prior to commencement of construction works on site, a method statement/site management plan, to include:

(a) measures for the control of dust, vibration and noise;

(b) hours of operation (Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm, Saturday 8am to 1pm, no working on Sunday or Bank Holidays);

(c) areas for the delivery and storage of equipment and materials;

(d) management of site traffic in a manner that minimises disruption to the local community and associated road network and maintains the safe movement of pedestrians and traffic; and

(e) measures to protect the adjacent listed buildings and walls during construction works,

shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority and thereafter implemented in the approved manner.

The applicants shall implement the consent in accordance with the details set out in the method statement.

Reason - To enable the applicant to manage the impact of construction activity in the site locale.";

(2) an additional condition No 22 to read:-

"Prior to the commencement of construction works a survey of the condition of Kirklee Terrace Lane shall be submitted for the written approval of the Planning Authority. Prior to the occupation of the dwelling a second condition survey of Kirklee Terrace Lane shall be submitted for the written approval of the Planning Authority.

Reason - To inform an understanding of any impact of construction work upon the lane within the Conservation Area."; and

(3) an additional advisory note No 6 to read:-

"The applicant is advised to explore high quality alternatives to the use of lead on the building."

Site formerly known as 72 Castlebank Street (Ward 12) – 23/00258/HAR – Hazardous substances consent revocation granted.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by this Council for hazardous substances consent revocation for a site formerly known as 72 Castlebank Street (Ward 12) – 23/00258/HAR.

After consideration, the committee granted the hazardous substances consent revocation.

Site adjacent to 1017 Argyle Street (Ward 10) – 22/00721/FUL – Outcome of appeal to Scottish Ministers noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the outcome of an appeal to Scottish Ministers for a site formerly known as 1017 Argyle Street (Ward 10) – 22/00721/FUL.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 31st October 2023.

Planning Applications Committee.

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

Apology: Martha Wardrop.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); A Dale and R Middleton (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

286 Paisley Road West (Ward 5) - 23/01550/FUL - Use of dental surgery (Class 1A) as serviced accommodation unit (sui generis) – Committee minded to conditionally grant planning permission, after division.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Borland Invest Ltd for planning permission for the use of a dental surgery (Class 1A) as a serviced accommodation unit (sui generis) at 286 Paisley Road West (Ward 5) – 23/01550/FUL.

Councillor Andrew, seconded by Bailie Thomas Kerr, moved that the application be conditionally granted.

Bailie Gallagher, seconded by Councillor Alam, moved as an amendment that the application be refused.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 6 members voted for the amendment and 6 for the motion. There being an equality of votes, the Chair gave his casting vote in favour of the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 24th October 2023.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Eva Bolander (Chair), Declan Blench, Elaine Gallagher, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanzala Malik, Hanif Raja and James Scanlon.

Apologies: Ken Andrew and Martha Wardrop.

Attending: L Sclater (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 Bolander to chair the meeting.

Suite B1, 4 Lynedoch Place (Ward 11) – 23/00040/LOCAL – Use of office as gym (retrospective) - Planning permission refused, after division.

2 There was submitted a request by Mr Edward Keane, Versko Ltd for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the use of an office at Suite B1, 4 Lynedoch Place (Ward 11) as a gym (retrospective) - 23/00040/LOCAL.

Councillor Bolander, seconded by Councillor Malik, moved that planning permission be refused.

Bailie Gallagher, seconded by Councillor Blench, moved as an amendment that planning permission be conditionally granted.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 4 members voted for the amendment and 4 for the motion. There being an equality of votes, the Chair gave her casting vote in favour of the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

3 Lochinver Drive (Ward 1) – 23/00032/LOCAL – Erection of single storey extension to side of dwellinghouse - Planning permission refused.

3 There was submitted a request by Mrs Nicola Fitzpatrick for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a single storey extension to the side of a dwellinghouse at 3 Lochinver Drive (Ward 1) - 23/00032/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee refused planning permission.

110 Queen Street (Ward 10) – 22/00056/LOCAL - Installation of telecommunications equipment and associated works - Planning permission conditionally granted.

4 With reference to the minutes of 8th August 2023 (Print 3, page 121) continuing consideration for further information a request by WHP Telecoms Ltd for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the installation of telecommunications equipment and associated works at 110 Queen Street (Ward 10) - 22/00056/LOCAL, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding information received from the applicant on

(1) additional visualisations particularly at street level; and

(2) information on screening materials.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted planning permission, subject to an amended condition No 02 to read:-

“All equipment and supports shall be painted out to match the steel screen, which is positioned on the roof.

Reason: In order that the works do not detract from the appearance of the building.
Reason: To safeguard the character of the surrounding area.”

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 7th November 2023.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Eva Bolander, Maureen Burke, Fyeza Iqhlaq, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanzala Malik, Hanif Raja, James Scanlon and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Elaine Gallagher and Thomas Kerr.

Attending: C Jack (Clerk); L Bonnes, 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.

7 Elm Street (Ward 12) – 23/00049/LOCAL – Installation of replacement windows to dwellinghouse - Planning permission refused, after division.

2 There was submitted a request by Ms K Gilbert for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the installation of replacement windows to a dwellinghouse at 7 Elm Street (Ward 12) - 23/00049/LOCAL.

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Alam, moved that planning permission be conditionally granted subject to the deletion of reason for refusal 02.

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

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.

Flat 3/1, 17 Hastie Street (Ward 10) – 23/00076/LOCAL – Use of flatted dwelling (Sui Generis) as short term let (Sui Generis) - Planning permission refused.

3 There was submitted a request by TmC Planning and Property Development Ltd for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the use of a flatted dwelling (Sui Generis) at Flat 3/1, 17 Hastie Street (Ward 10) as a short term let (Sui Generis) - 23/00076/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee refused planning permission.

Site to east of Pearce Lane on Water Row (Ward 5) – 23/00080/LOCAL – Installation of monopole, associated cabinets and ancillary works - Planning permission refused, after division.

4 There was submitted a request by Dot Surveying Ltd for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the installation of a monopole, associated cabinets and ancillary works at a site to the east of Pearce Lane on Water Row (Ward 5) - 23/00080/LOCAL.

Councillor Bolander, seconded by Bailie Scanlon, moved that planning permission be refused.

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Malik, moved as an amendment that the application be conditionally granted.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 2 members voted for the amendment and 9 for the motion which was accordingly declared to be carried.

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 21st November 2023.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Imran Alam, Eva Bolander, Maureen Burke, Elaine Gallagher, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Thomas Kerr, Kenny McLean, Hanzala Malik, Hanif Raja, James Scanlon and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Declan Blench and Paul Leinster.

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 Councillor Andrew to chair the meeting.

Site adjacent to 71 Kings Park Road (Ward 7) - 23/00037/LOCAL - Erection of one dwellinghouse and associated works - Planning permission refused, after division.

2 There was submitted a request by Mrs Naseem Akhtar for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of one dwellinghouse and associated works at a site adjacent to 71 Kings Park Road (Ward 7) - 23/00037/LOCAL.

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

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Alam, moved as an amendment that planning permission be conditionally granted.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 6 members voted for the amendment and 6 for the motion. There being an equality of votes, the Chair gave his casting vote in favour of the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

6 Daldowie Avenue (Ward 19) - 23/00041/LOCAL - Erection of upper storey extension, including alterations to roof and formation of 4 dormers to front and rear of dwellinghouse – Planning permission conditionally granted.

3 There was submitted a request by Stephen McCluskey for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of an upper storey extension, including alterations to the roof and formation of 4 dormers to the front and rear of a dwellinghouse at 6 Daldowie Avenue (Ward 19) - 23/00041/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted planning permission.

34 Duncan Avenue (Ward 13) - 23/00054/LOCAL - Erection of 2-storey extension to rear and formation of windows to side of dwellinghouse – Planning permission refused, after division.

4 There was submitted a request by Jenny Blyth-Spiers for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a 2-storey extension to the rear and formation of windows to the side of a dwellinghouse at 34 Duncan Avenue (Ward 13) - 23/00054/LOCAL.

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

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Malik, moved as an amendment that planning permission be conditionally granted.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 4 members voted for the amendment and 7 for the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

FINANCE AND AUDIT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 1st November 2023.

Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Frank McAveety (Chair), Alexander Belic, Jill Brown, Elaine Gallagher, Sharon Greer, Greg Hepburn, Thomas Kerr, Paul Leinster, Anne McTaggart, Hanzala Malik, Angus Millar and Margaret Morgan.

Apologies: Jim Kavanagh and Jon Molyneux.

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; N Farnell (for the Chief Executive); C MacKenzie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance) and R Jones 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 28th September 2023.

EY - Final Annual Audit Plan 2022/23 noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 17th May 2023 (Print 2, page 107) noting the provisional EY Annual Audit Plan 2022/23, there was submitted a report by EY advising of the final Annual Audit Plan 2022/23, as detailed in the report.

After consideration and having heard R Jones, EY, the committee noted the final Annual Audit Plan 2022/23.

Capital Investment Programme - Annual Performance 2022/23 noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Executive regarding the performance and achievements of the projects that formed part of the Council's Capital Investment Programme, as set out in the Capital Investment Programme Annual Performance Report (APR) for 2022/23, advising

(1) of a summary of a selection, of key highlights from the 2022/23 APR, as detailed in an appendix to the report;

(2) of the key performance highlights during the period from April 2022 to March 2023 of those projects within the Council's Capital Investment Programme; and

(3) that despite continued external challenges, capital projects were providing a range of benefits to the citizens, visitors and businesses of Glasgow and that those benefits directly contributed to the 4 Grand Challenges within the Council's Strategic Plan 2022-27.

Corporate Risk Management - Half yearly report noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Executive regarding the Corporate Risk Register (CRR) and risk management activity,

(1) advising that the Council's Corporate Risk Management Framework required that a CRR was maintained to identify and manage strategic risks;

(2) summarising the refreshed CRR and the Council's approach to risk assessment, as detailed in the appendices to the report, with 12 risks having been rated as very high in the CRR including 7 risks in relation to the ALEO structure; and

(3) detailing the changes to the CRR since the last reporting period in May 2023.

Finance and Audit Committee annual assessment noted.

5 There was submitted and noted a report by Councillor Frank McAveety, Chair of this committee regarding an annual assessment of the work of the committee,

(1) advising that

(a) Council Standing Order No 31 required that an annual assessment of the work of each Scrutiny Committee should be carried out to assess the effectiveness of the working of the committee and to assess any training needs of members and officers, with the assessment being carried out by the relevant Convener in years 1 and 2 and an independent assessment being carried out in year 3 and every third year thereafter; and

(b) this committee had been re-established in May 2022 following the Local Government Elections with its Terms of Reference having been approved by Council on 19th May 2022 (Print 1, page 23); and

(2) highlighting

(a) that on 3rd August 2022 (Print 2, page 253) the committee had agreed its workplan following the 2022 Local Government Elections and as the most frequent reports related to financial monitoring and audit reports it was agreed to generally focus each meeting alternatively between those 2 areas, whilst allowing for flexibility to prioritise more urgent business;

(b) the scrutiny committees' responsibilities in relation to the call-in process whilst confirming that the committee to date had not dealt with any called-in decisions;

(c) the development needs of members including the training sessions previously undertaken as detailed in the report; and

(d) the effectiveness of the working of the committee including the committee's 'Question and Answer' report as a standing agenda item that allowed for specific and detailed answers from officers to be fed back to all committee members at the next scheduled meeting.

OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 11th October 2023.

Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Maureen Burke (Chair), Imran Alam, Chris Cunningham, Feargal Dalton, John Daly, Stephen Dornan, Sean Ferguson (substitute for Annette Christie), Elaine Gallagher, William Graham, Ann Jenkins, Jill Pidgeon (substitute for Patricia Ferguson), Roza Salih and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Annette Christie and Patricia Ferguson.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); Duncan Black, Head of Audit and Inspection; M McGinty, Head of Policy and Corporate Governance; S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership; and S Thomson (for the Director of Regional Economic Growth).

Response to questions noted – Instruction to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

1 There was submitted a response to questions raised by members at the meeting of this committee on 13th September 2023.

After consideration, the committee

(1) noted the detailed responses; and

(2) instructed the Executive Director Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to submit a report to a future committee regarding the various issues raised in relation to localised flooding in the city and to provide details on the following:-

(a) what processes were in place for this Council to respond to flooding events, and in particular extreme flash flooding events like those experienced by many citizens lately;

(b) was the current gulley cleaning programme effective enough to help alleviate flooding, and did complaints from the public regarding gully cleaning tie in with areas not yet reached as part of the gulley cleaning programme or not; and

(c) what was the capacity of the Victorian infrastructure and could it cope with flooding events.

Social care complaints annual report 2022-23 noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) regarding complaints activity for social care complaints in the Glasgow City HSCP from 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023,

(1) advising

(a) of complaints about social care services processed under the HSCP complaints procedure that involved 3 stages of complaints;

(b) that the figures in the report had been reported separately for social work (including homelessness) and care service complaints (home care, residential and day care) as they were currently processed under 2 different information systems;

(c) that work on a solution to a fully integrated complaints procedure was currently ongoing; and

(d) that volumes of social work complaints in 2022-23 had increased slightly, rising by 6% from 494 in the previous year to 528, whereas care services complaints had fallen by 10.9% from 275 to 245; and

(2) detailing in an appendix to the report, the background and process for the complaints procedure, an analysis of complaints activity for the year and a summary of the main findings, service improvements and customer outcomes.

Strategic Plan - Grand Challenge 2 - Increase opportunity and prosperity for all our citizens - Missions 1, 2 and 3 - Service commitments noted.

3 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 2: Increase opportunity and prosperity for all our citizens, 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 the appendix to the report, examples of work underway by the Chief Executive's Department and its commitments across key areas to deliver those commitments, focussing particularly on Grand Challenge 2: Increase opportunity and prosperity for all our citizens and the undernoted Missions:-

(a) Mission 1: Support Glasgow residents into sustainable and fair work;

(b) Mission 2: Support the growth of an innovative, resilient and net zero carbon economy; and

(c) Mission 3: Raise attainment amongst Glasgow's children and young people.

After consideration, the committee noted

(i) the Grand Challenges, Missions and Commitments within the Strategic Plan; and

(ii) those emerging commitments that highlighted the Cost of Living lens and the inclusion of broader commitments outwith that lens.

Equality impact Assessment guidance noted etc.

4 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive providing an update on the review of Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA) guidance,

(1) advising that

(a) an audit of EQIAs in 2022 had recommended that all guidance be refreshed to reflect recommendations around support to services and emerging developments in Human Rights and to refresh the guidance on an annual basis;

(b) is was anticipated that the current EQIA form would be refreshed in the coming year in advance of the next annual review in Autumn 2024; and

(c) the updated guidance would be used for forthcoming EQIA training sessions commencing in November 2023; and

(2) detailing in the appendix to the report, the EQIA guidance update as at October 2023.

After consideration, the committee

(i) noted the

(A) revised guidance, as detailed in the appendix to the report; and

(B) rolling programme of forthcoming EQIA training and the next steps to provide those sessions on a monthly basis; and

(ii) recognised the focus of the EQIA as a tool and how it scrutinised decision making.

Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee annual assessment noted.

5 There was submitted and noted a report by Councillor Maureen Burke, Chair of this committee regarding an annual assessment of the work of the committee,

(1) advising that

(a) Council Standing Order No 31 noted that an annual assessment of the work of each Scrutiny Committee should be carried out to assess the effectiveness of the working of the committee and to assess any training needs of members and officers, with the assessment being carried out by the relevant Chair in years 1 and 2 and an independent assessment being carried out in year 3 and every third year thereafter; and

(b) this committee had been re-established in May 2022 following the Local Government Elections with its Terms of Reference having been approved by Glasgow City Council at its meeting held on 19th May 2022; and

(2) highlighting

(a) that the committee had established its workplan initially through a cost of living lens to address and prioritise areas of service activity that had arose as a result of the cost of living crisis, and had subsequently approved an updated workplan in November 2022 that focussed on the monitoring and delivery of the Council's Strategic Plan 2022-27;

(b) the scrutiny committees' responsibilities in relation to the call-in process whilst confirming that the committee to date had not dealt with any called-in decisions; and

(c) the effectiveness of the committee's 'Question and Answer' report as a standing agenda item that allowed for specific and detailed answers from officers to be fed back to all committee members at the next scheduled meeting.

OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 15th November 2023.

Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Maureen Burke (Chair), Imran Alam, Richard Bell, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Feargal Dalton, John Daly, Patricia Ferguson, Elaine Gallagher, William Graham, Ann Jenkins, Catherine Vallis and Martha Wardrop.

Apology: Roza Salih.

Attending: T O'Neill (Clerk); C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; D Black, Head of Audit and Inspection: M McGinty, Head of Policy and Corporate Governance; and E Parkes and D Paton (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Complaints handling performance 2022/23 noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance regarding the Council family's complaints handling performance for the period from 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023, advising

(1) of the current Glasgow Family of organisations complaints handling performance, which since April 2013, all Scottish councils had been required to monitor and report on in terms of their Complaints Handling Procedure (CHP) against a suite of high level performance indicators to meet the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman (SPSO) statutory requirement;

(2) that all core Glasgow City Council Services and ALEOs used the model CHP, which consisted of 3 stages, namely frontline resolution, investigation stage and external review where a referral was made to the SPSO, either by the complainant or the authority;

(3) that the present system of how complaints were categorised had been recognised as unsatisfactory and a new, streamlined system of categorisation, in conjunction with the Local Authority Complaint Handlers Network and the SPSO was currently in progress with the intention of being introduced in 2022, but had been postponed, pending the implementation of the new case handling system;

(4) of the general trends and issues in 2022/23 for complaints handling, as summarised in the report;

(5) of the complaints statistical data for 2022/23 that saw an overall decrease in the number of complaints received about services provided by the Glasgow family of organisations, as detailed in the report; and

(6) of the number and categories of complaints recorded against each Service and ALEO for the period.

Strategic Plan - Grand Challenge 3 – Fight the climate emergency in a just transition to a net zero Glasgow - Missions 1 and 2 - 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 Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability focussing on Grand Challenge 3: Fight the climate emergency in a just transition to a net zero Glasgow, Missions 1 and 2,

(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 with specific regard to budget considerations and the cost of living; and

(2) detailing examples of work underway by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and its commitments across key areas to deliver those commitments, focussing particularly on Grand Challenge 3: Fight the climate emergency in a just transition to a net zero Glasgow and the undernoted Missions:-

(a) Mission 1: Deliver sustainable transport and travel aligned with the city region; and

(b) Mission 2: Become a net zero carbon city by 2030.

After consideration, the committee noted

(i) the report; and

(ii) the Grand Challenges, Missions and Commitments.

Strategic Plan – Performance Manual case studies – Details noted – Approach agreed.

3 With reference to the minutes of 16th August 2023 (Print 3, page 129), noting the development of a Strategic Plan Performance Manual, there was submitted a report by the Chief Executive regarding the presentation of case studies to support Performance Manual reporting, advising

(1) of the work undertaken to explore case studies to support performance reporting;

(2) of a number of different best practice examples of case studies, as detailed in the report;

(3) of the likely approach for the Council's performance management template, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; and

(4) of the next steps in the process.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the different approaches to presenting case studies within outcomes and performance management; and

(b) agreed the recommended approach, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report for use within the existing performance management template.

Conference attendance approved under delegated authority noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing conference attendance by elected members, which had been approved in terms of the Scheme of Delegated Functions.

STRATHCLYDE PENSION FUND COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 22nd November 2023.

Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee.

Present:	Richard Bell (Chair), Abdul Bostani, Jill Brown, Allan Gow, Ruairi Kelly, Lana Reid-McConnell and Martha Wardrop.
Apologies:	Jim Kavanagh and Scott Donohoe, UNISON and Darren Paterson, Scottish Police Authority.
Also present:	Councillor Ian Davis, South Ayrshire Council; Thomas Glavin, UNITE; Stephen Kelly, UNISON; Andy Thompson, GMB; and Councillor Sandy Watson, North Lanarkshire Council.
Attending:	A Wyber (Clerk); R McIndoe, Director of Strathclyde Pension Fund; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; D Black, Head of Audit and Inspection; I Beattie and A Sutherland, Investment Advisory Panel; N McRae, Hymans Robertson; and H Rohimun, EY.

Baillie Gifford – Presentation noted.

1 The committee noted a presentation by Messrs Philip Rae and Gareth Roberts, Baillie Gifford on the investment implications of Artificial Intelligence.

Internal Audit – Review of compliance with Cyber Security Principles noted – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.

2 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection regarding the outcome of an Internal Audit review of the arrangements within Strathclyde Pension Fund Office to ensure compliance with Cyber Security Principles.

After consideration, the committee

(1) noted the audit report; and

(2) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit a further report to this committee with an update on the implementation of the actions contained in the action plan.

Internal Audit – Follow-up audits noted – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.

3 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection regarding the outcome of follow-up audits by Internal Audit in relation to Strathclyde Pension Fund Office.

After consideration, the committee

(1) noted that for the period from 31st May to 31st October 2023, 2 of the 4 outstanding follow-up audits had been implemented; and

(2) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit further reports to this committee on the status of outstanding recommendations.

Strathclyde Pension Fund - Administration performance – Position noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Strathclyde Pension Fund advising of pensions administration activity and a summary of the performance of Strathclyde Pension Fund Office as at 30th September 2023.

Financial statements – Current position noted.

5 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Strathclyde Pension Fund regarding financial statements for the administration of Strathclyde Pension Fund

(1) detailing the administration cost and cash flow monitoring statements for period 8 from 1st April to 20th October 2023; and

(2) providing an update on progress in respect of audit of the 2022/23 Annual Report and Financial Statements.

Strathclyde Pension Fund – Investment performance noted.

6 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Strathclyde Pension Fund regarding

(1) the investment performance to 30th September 2023;

(2) a summary of the distribution of portfolios and Direct Impact Portfolio investments as at 30th September 2023;

(3) the outcome of an Investment Advisory Panel meeting of 9th November 2023; and

(4) stewardship activity during Quarter 3.

Risk Register – Position noted.

7 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Strathclyde Pension Fund detailing the risk register for Strathclyde Pension Fund Office as at 31st October 2023.