



Minutes of **Glasgow City Council**

2024/25 – Print 6

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MINUTES
OF
GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL.

Hybrid meeting, 12th December 2024.

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

JAMES ADAMS	LAURA DOHERTY	ELAINE McSPORRAN
SAQIB AHMED	SEAN FERGUSON	ANNE McTAGGART
SUSAN AITKEN	ELAINE GALLAGHER	LEÒDHAS MASSIE
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RICHARD BELL	GREG HEPBURN	ROBERT MOONEY
DECLAN BLENCH	SEONAD HOY	MARGARET MORGAN
EVA BOLANDER	RASHID HUSSAIN	EVA MURRAY
ABDUL BOSTANI	DAN HUTCHISON	CECILIA O'LONE
PHILIP BRAAT	FYEZA IKHLAQ	JILL PIDGEON
JILL BROWN	EUNIS JASSEMI	LINDA PIKE
HOLLY BRUCE	ANN JENKINS	DAVENA RANKIN
BILL BUTLER	LILITH JOHNSTONE	THOMAS RANNACHAN
GRAHAM CAMPBELL	JIM KAVANAGH	GEORGE REDMOND
CHRISTINA CANNON	RUAIRI KELLY	LANA REID-MCCONNELL
PAUL CAREY	ALEX KERR	ROZA SALIH
ANTHONY CARROLL	MATT KERR	FRANNY SCALLY
JOHN CARSON	THOMAS KERR	SORYIA SIDDIQUE
ALLAN CASEY	KEVIN LALLEY	KIERAN TURNER
ANNETTE CHRISTIE	PAUL LEINSTER	CATHERINE VALLIS
CHRIS CUNNINGHAM	FRANK McAVEETY	MARTHA WARDROP
STEPHEN CURRAN	PAUL McCABE	ALEX WILSON
AUDREY DEMPSEY	ELAINE McDOUGALL	
STEPHEN DOCHERTY	NORMAN MacLEOD	

DEACON CONVENER

Apologies: Stephen Dornan and Lord Dean of Guild.

Attending: M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; S Millar, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; J O'Hagan, Director of Service Delivery, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance and J Kerr, Interim Chief Officer, Glasgow Health and Care Partnership.

Retirement of Martin Booth, Executive Director of Finance – Valediction.

1 The Lord Provost referred to the imminent retiral of Martin Booth, Executive Director of Finance and on behalf of the Council paid tribute to the contribution and commitment which Mr Booth had brought to his post and wished him every success for the future.

Minutes approved.

2 The minutes of the Council meeting of 31st October 2024 (Print 5, 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 24th October and 7th and 21st November 2024 (Print 5, pages 29 to 48);
- (2) City Policy Committees
 - (a) Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration of 19th November 2024 (Print 5, pages 49 to 56);
 - (b) Education, Skills and Early Years of 21st November 2024 (Print 5, pages 57 to 62);
 - (c) Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods of 26th November 2024 (Print 5, pages 63 to 68);
 - (d) Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring of 12th November 2024 (Print 5, pages 69 to 76); and
 - (e) Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement of 14th November 2024 (Print 5, pages 77 to 82);
- (3) Contracts and Property Committee of 7th and 28th November 2024 (Print 5, pages 83 to 94);
- (4) Licensing and Regulatory Committee of 23rd and 24th October and 6th, 7th, 13th, 20th, 21st and 27th November 2024 (Print 5, pages 95 to 138);
- (5) Personnel Appeals Committee of 29th October and 5th, 20th and 26th November 2024 (Print 5, pages 139 to 146);
- (6) Planning Applications Committee of 22nd October and 5th November 2024 (Print 5, pages 147 to 150);
- (7) Planning Local Review Committee of 29th October and 12th and 26th November 2024 (Print 5, pages 151 to 156);

- (8) Scrutiny Committees
- (a) Finance and Audit of 23rd October and 20th November 2024 (Print 5, pages 157 to 164); and
 - (b) Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee of 6th November 2024 (Print 4, pages 165 to 166); and
- (9) Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee of 27th November 2024 (Print 5, pages 167 to End).

Local Government By-elections - Election of Councillors for Electoral Wards Drumchapel/Anniesland (Ward 14), Maryhill (Ward 15), North East (Ward 21) and Partick East/Kelvindale (Ward 23) - Results noted.

4 There was submitted a report by the Returning Officer regarding the results of the Local Government By-elections for Electoral Wards Drumchapel/Anniesland (Ward 14), Maryhill (Ward 15) and North East (Ward 21) which had been held on 21st November 2024 and Partick East/Kelvindale (Ward 23) which had been held on 5th December 2024, advising that

- (1) the results of the Ward 14 – Drumchapel/Anniesland, Ward 15 – Maryhill, Ward 21 - North East and Ward 23 - Partick East/Kelvindale By-elections were as detailed in Appendix 1 to these minutes; and
- (2) that the winner of the By-election in Ward 21- North East had been disqualified from remaining a member of the Council under section 31A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

Changes to Council Scheme of Delegated Functions approved.

5 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding proposed changes to the Council's Scheme of Delegated Functions, highlighting proposed amendments which had been made to the existing Scheme of Delegated Functions.

After consideration, the Council approved the changes to the Council Scheme of Delegated Functions.

Response to climate emergency – Update noted.

6 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on Glasgow's response to the climate emergency, advising

- (1) that the Council had declared an Ecological Emergency in May 2019 and that Glasgow's Climate Plan was subsequently developed and approved along with the Climate Adaptation Plan; and

- (2) of the key challenges in delivery of the Climate Plan and Adaptation Plan and the future considerations and next steps.

Changes to committees approved.

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

<i>Committee etc</i>	<i>Appointment</i>
City Administration Committee	Remove Philip Braat and appoint Robert Mooney
Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee	Change Vice-chair from Eva Bolander to Paul Leinster
Licensing and Regulatory Committee	Remove Anthony Carroll and appoint Leòdhas Massie
Planning Applications Committee	Remove Thomas Kerr and appoint John Daly
Planning Local Review Committee	Remove Thomas Kerr and appoint John Daly

Appointments and representation on outside bodies approved.

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

<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Appointment</i>
Anderston/City/Yorkhill Area Partnership	Change Chair from Eva Bolander to Christy Mearns
Dennistoun Area Partnership	Change Chair from Allan Casey to Anthony Carroll
Govan Area Partnership	Change Chair from Dan Hutchison to Richard Bell
Hillhead Area Partnership	Change Chair from Martha Wardrop to Ken Andrew
Langside Area Partnership	Change Chair from Paul Leinster to Holly Bruce
Pollokshields Area Partnership	Change Chair from Jon Molyneux to Zen Ghani

Southside Central Area Partnership	Change Chair from Elaine Gallagher to Alexander Belic
Citizen Theatre	Remove Susan Aitken and appoint Elaine Gallagher
Glasgow City Integrated Joint Board	Remove Paul Carey and appoint Marie Garrity (as substitute)
Glasgow Dean of Guild Court Trust	Remove Philip Braat and appoint Stephen Docherty
Lord Provost Trust Funds	Appoint Jill Pidgeon
Safe Glasgow Partnership	Remove Philip Braat and appoint Marie Garrity
Scotland Excel Executive Sub-committee	Appoint Ruairi Kelly

Correspondence noted.

- 9** There was submitted and noted letters from
- (1) Scottish Government, Minister for Victims and Community Safety in response to correspondence from this Council on a city-wide fireworks control zone following the meeting on 16th May 2024 (Print 2, page 27);
 - (2) Department for Business and Trade in response to correspondence from this Council on a city-wide fireworks control zone following the meeting on 16th May 2024 (Print 2, page 27);
 - (3) Secretary of State for Scotland in response to correspondence from this Council on ending pensioners and the poor paying for UK austerity and energy hikes following the meeting on 12th September 2024 (Print 4, page 23); and
 - (4) Home Office Direct Communications Unit in response to correspondence from this Council on Fair Funding for Local Authorities following the meeting on 29th May 2024 (Print 1, page 8).

Questions.

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

<i>Question by</i>	<i>Question</i>	<i>Answered by</i>
Councillor Kevin Lalley	To ask the relevant Convenor if they can confirm why 20% of all CCTV cameras in Glasgow are not operational?	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use
Councillor Elaine McDougall	Can the relevant Convenor outline how the Council plans to address and fund any pressures relating to asylum seekers during the 2025-26 period?	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader and Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Bailie Soryia Siddique	Can the relevant Convenor advise how many empty office/ heritage buildings have been considered for conversion to homelessness accommodation in light of the recent data published showing 929 people have claimed to have slept rough this year in Glasgow?	Councillor Allan Casey, City Convener for Workforce and Homelessness and Addiction Services
Councillor Imran Alam	To ask the relevant Convenor whether any consideration has been given to renaming the Govan-Partick Bridge in honour of Mary Barbour, in recognition of her contributions to the local community?	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader and Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Bailie Anthony Carroll	To ask the City Treasurer to confirm how much the calling of a second By-election in North East ward is set to cost the Council?	Councillor Richard Bell, Depute Leader and City Treasurer and Convener for Financial Inclusion
Councillor Holly Bruce	To ask the relevant City Convener when the NRS Property Consultancy Services Team will produce a detailed and phased plan to reopen Langside Hall, and what committee will have oversight of that report?	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use
Councillor Jill Pidgeon	Can the relevant Convenor provide an update on the measures Glasgow City Council is taking to address the concerning rise of violence in schools, including incidents against teachers and school staff?	Councillor Allan Casey, City Convener for Workforce and Homelessness and Addiction Services

Councillor Stephen Docherty	Can I ask the relevant Convenor for a cost recovery update of public funds used for the demolition of the India Building in Laurieston?	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use
Councillor Malcolm Mitchell	To ask the City Convener for Open Government what the cost is to the council of administering a local government By-election?	Councillor Greg Hepburn, City Convener for Open Government
Bailie Eva Murray	To ask the relevant Convenor if the Council still provides Public Liability Insurance to Community Councils?	Withdrawn
Councillor Blair Anderson	To ask the City Treasurer if he believes the Council should subsidise the operating costs of groups such as the anti-abortion campaign group Society for the Protection of Unborn Children and private school alumni association The Glasgow High School Club through the provision of discretionary relief to non-domestic rates?	Councillor Richard Bell, Depute Leader and City Treasurer and Convener for Financial Inclusion
Councillor Robert Mooney	Can the relevant Convenor confirm the source of the additional £80K needed to maintain the city's cycle infrastructure, as mentioned at the Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee?	Councillor Laura Doherty, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Jill Pidgeon	Can the Convenor for Culture and Sport tell us how the reduction of discounts for pensioners for Glasgow Gym facilities has affected their usage of the services and if the Convenor feels it has been value for money?	Bailie Annette Christie, City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations
Bailie Margaret Morgan	To ask the City Convener for Education and Early Years her thoughts on Glasgow being the only Scottish city to secure the accolade of being a UNESCO Learning City?	Councillor Christina Cannon, City Convener for Education and Early Years
Bailie Anthony Carroll	To ask the relevant City Convener what mitigations will be in place to deal with the backlog of Christmas	Councillor Laura Doherty, City Convener for

	waste following the revision of wheeled bin collection dates to have a 6 week gap for general and recycling waste between Christmas and the New Year?	Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Saqib Ahmed	To ask the relevant Convenor whether there have been discussions with the Scottish Government regarding the increasing incidents of vandalism targeting buses and taxis, and the growing threats to driver safety?	Councillor Angus Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery

Emergency motion congratulating Jasleen Kaur on winning the Turner Prize – Motion as adjusted approved.

11 Councillor Molyneux, seconded by Bailie Mearns, moved that:-

“Council warmly congratulates Pollokshields-born artist Jasleen Kaur for winning this year’s Turner Prize for her exhibition Alter Altar, which was held at Tramway.

Council notes that Kaur’s exhibition celebrated her Scottish Sikh heritage through a series of iconic motifs, including Axminster carpets, Irn Bru bottles and cassettes of qawwali music. Judges praised the “considered way in which she weaves together the personal, political and spiritual in her exhibition.”

Council further notes that one of the other shortlisted Turner Prize artists, Delaine La Bas, whose work draws on Romani culture, also exhibited at Tramway this year. Council believes that this is testament to the leadership of Tramway and Glasgow Life in consistently bringing high-quality contemporary art to audiences in the city. Mindful of Kaur’s comments that she wasn’t aware of the Turner Prize when she was growing up, Council believes it is vital that we continue to support access and inclusion as key priorities for the city’s cultural programme as we look ahead to Glasgow 850 celebrations next year.

Council invites the Lord Provost to consider providing appropriate Civic recognition of Jasleen Kaur’s achievements, in consultation with Jasleen Kaur, Tramway and Sikhs in Scotland.

Finally, Council applauds Kaur for using the platform of her acceptance speech to call for an immediate ceasefire and arms embargo in the Middle East, saying “I want the separation between the expression of politics in the gallery and the practice of politics in life to disappear. I want the institutions to understand that if you want us inside, you need to listen to us outside.”

Bailie Christie, seconded by Bailie MacLeod, moved as an amendment that:-

Delete paragraph 4 and replace with:

“Council agrees that the Lord Provost should pursue as planned the celebration of Jasleen Kaur’s outstanding work and recognition by this award with a special invitation to the City Chambers.”

Before the final paragraph insert a new paragraph:

“Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Scottish Government to invite the Cabinet Secretary and members of the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee to attend events at Tramway during Glasgow 850.”

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

At the end of paragraph 3 add:

“To ensure the cultural programme for Glasgow 850 is created with all Glasgow communities ensuring the diversity of the city is represented.”

During the debate Councillor Molyneux and Bailie Christie and Bailie Siddique, with the agreement of their seconders, agreed to combine their motion and amendments resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

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The motion as adjusted was unanimously approved.

Adjournment.

12 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1245 hours until 1400 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

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

Present: Chair, Lord Provost Jacqueline McLaren

JAMES ADAMS	LAURA DOHERTY	ELAINE McDOUGALL
SAQIB AHMED	SEAN FERGUSON	NORMAN MacLEOD
SUSAN AITKEN	ELAINE GALLAGHER	ELAINE McSPORRAN
IMRAN ALAM	MARIE GARRITY	ANNE McTAGGART
BLAIR ANDERSON	ZEN GHANI	LEÒDHAS MASSIE
KEN ANDREW	ALAN GOW	CHRISTY MEARNIS
ALEXANDER BELIC	WILLIAM GRAHAM	ANGUS MILLAR
RICHARD BELL	SHARON GREER	MALCOLM MITCHELL
DECLAN BLENCH	GREG HEPBURN	JON MOLYNEUX
EVA BOLANDER	FIONA HIGGINS	ROBERT MOONEY
ABDUL BOSTANI	SEONAD HOY	MARGARET MORGAN
PHILIP BRAAT	RASHID HUSSAIN	EVA MURRAY
JILL BROWN	DAN HUTCHISON	CECILIA O'LONE
HOLLY BRUCE	FYEZA IKHLAQ	JILL PIDGEON
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PAUL CAREY	JIM KAVANAGH	GEORGE REDMOND
ANTHONY CARROLL	RUAIRI KELLY	LANA REID-MCCONNELL
JOHN CARSON	ALEX KERR	ROZA SALIH
ALLAN CASEY	MATT KERR	FRANNY SCALLY
ANNETTE CHRISTIE	THOMAS KERR	SORYIA SIDDIQUE
CHRIS CUNNINGHAM	KEVIN LALLEY	KIERAN TURNER
STEPHEN CURRAN	PAUL LEINSTER	CATHERINE VALLIS
FEARGAL DALTON	FRANK McAVEETY	MARTHA WARDROP
STEPHEN DOCHERTY	PAUL McCABE	ALEX WILSON

LORD DEAN OF GUILD

Apology: Stephen Dornan.

Attending: M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; S Millar, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; C Edgar, Director of Communication and

UK Labour Government changes to employers national insurance contributions – Motion as adjusted approved, after division.

14 Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Bostani, moved that:-

"Council notes the significant negative impact that the increase in employers' National Insurance Contributions will have on the public and third sectors in the city and calls on the UK Government to rethink this measure, which has the potential to jeopardise the provision of essential services and supports to the people of this city.

Council understands that the UK Government expects this to raise money for the economy, however Council believes this will be harmful to the public, private and third sectors which provide essential services and supports employment in our city. Council also understands that the majority of businesses expect negative impact from national insurance increase, and this is expected to hit businesses with £25bn hike.

Council is alarmed that a month after Reeves' Budget, the Confederation of British Industry (CBI) now believes expectations for UK growth have turned negative: UK economic growth has slowed to 0.1%, high interest rates take a toll, and the UK's manufacturing sector worsened last month, with activity falling to a nine-month low. CBI's growth indicator shows most UK companies are anticipating a decline in activity over the next three months, that firms are planning to reduce headcount, with hiring intentions at their weakest since the tail end of the Covid-19 pandemic and that this is a particularly bleak prediction, considering private sector activity already fell in the three months leading up to November.

Council notes that Cosla has estimated that these changes will cost £265m to Local Government in Scotland, of which Glasgow City Council is the largest local authority with the largest workforce. Council estimates that the cost to GCC will be £30m.

Council notes that £4.7billion will be allocated to public sector organisations, however we understand that Scotland will receive a Barnett Consequential allocation of that money which will be much lower due to the significant size differentials between our public sectors. Council agrees that the approximate £300m offer by the UK Treasury to the Scottish Government to cover National Insurance increases is "austerity through the back door" and agree that the Scottish purse would require more than £500m to fully mitigate the increase due to the better paid and better valued workforce in Scotland.

Council regrets the introduction of further uncertainty into the public finances at a time of higher inflation and a cost-of-living crisis which has severely affected the public and third sectors as well as residents of this city.

Council notes with alarm the Fraser of Allander Institute estimate that the change may cost £931 on average for each public sector worker, after using data from the Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings, which is the most comprehensive data

source on earnings, and includes a split between the public and private sector in Scotland.

Council further notes the Fraser of Allander Institute estimate the Total Devolved Public Sector costs to be £509m which does not include Arm's Length Organisations (or ALEOs).

Council believes that as well as the burden on public finances, the increase will place a huge burden on the third sector, which provides such fantastic and essential services to the people of our city, and which is already coping with increased running costs due to the economic decisions of the last UK Government. SCVO estimate that the national insurance increase will cost the voluntary sector in Scotland around £75m and that given the challenging financial context, any increase in costs will be hard for voluntary organisations to meet. Council agrees with SCVO and the child and social care sector that Reeves' reckless National Insurance Contributions increase only increases the risks faced by these sectors and their service users.

Council shares the concern of the social housing association movement and other RSLs who have indicated that to meet their increased NIC costs they are faced with either increasing rents, scaling back repairs and maintenance, and limiting their ambitions to provide affordable housing in Glasgow.

Council believes the third sector is a vital part of our city and applauds the work of the many organisations like Citizens Advice, and others, who provide lifeline to the people of Glasgow and which are reliant on charitable funding, with no other source of income to meet an increased NIC bill, and deplores a situation where these organisations could be forced into making service or staff cuts which will reduce their ability to assist the community due to the decisions of the UK Government, and which are ultimately to the detriment of the people.

Council agrees with COSLA and LGA that "Councils are facing unprecedented financial challenges, with the increases to employer National Insurance Contributions likely to add significant costs for councils and the wider sector. These pressures, compounded by inflation rises, are putting vital services at significant risk of collapse."

Council believes the UK Labour Government had a clear opportunity to create a fairer, economy and instead have repackaged failed ideas and policies that do not offer any hope for the urgent economic transformation required and instead have proven to be incompetent bookkeepers instead of changemakers.

Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer to note the above and make clear that the UK Labour budget and the National Insurance hike are calamitous for Councils."

Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Redmond, moved as an amendment that:-

Delete all and insert:

"Council notes that the UK Labour Government has made a clear and deliberate choice to protect working people during challenging economic times. By ensuring that the wealthiest individuals and businesses contribute their fair share, Labour is

fostering a more balanced and equitable approach to public finances. This decision has unlocked significant resources to strengthen public services, while shielding low- and middle-income earners from additional financial strain.

Council further acknowledges that the decision to increase National Insurance Contributions is not just a policy measure but an essential part of a broader strategy to ensure the long-term sustainability of the UK's public services. In light of the economic upheaval caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the ongoing cost-of-living crisis, and rising inflation, this increase provides necessary resources to fund vital services like healthcare, education, and social care.

Council further acknowledges that the Scottish Government is benefitting from its largest funding settlement since devolution, which includes an additional £1.5 billion this year and £3.4 billion next year. This unprecedented settlement provides a historic opportunity to improve Scotland's public services. It is now the responsibility of the Scottish Government to ensure that this funding is used effectively, transparently, and strategically to meet the needs of the people of Scotland.

Council observes that despite this record investment, the Scottish Government has been criticized by Audit Scotland, the Fraser of Allander Institute, and the Institute for Fiscal Studies for its failure to adequately respond to the financial pressures facing Scotland. While significant resources are available, the Scottish Government must take decisive action to prioritize the efficient use of this funding, ensuring it addresses the growing demands on our public services, rather than continuing to delay or mismanage these funds.

Council notes that, rather than using Labour's increase in funding to make a real difference, the SNP Government appears to be focused on covering up their own previous mistakes. For example, the recent boost in housing funding is little more than an attempt by the SNP to fix a cut that they should never have made in the first place. Affordable housing funding has fallen in real terms by almost £160 million since 2022-23, creating a situation where previous cuts have exacerbated the housing crisis, pushing more families into temporary accommodation and causing homelessness to soar.

Council observes that, while Shona Robison seeks to undo her own funding decisions from previous years, the crisis of homelessness continues to worsen. Record numbers of children are living in temporary accommodation, and housebuilding rates have plummeted to dangerously low levels. These failures have caused massive instability in the housing sector, fanning the flames of the housing emergency, and yet the Scottish Government continues to fail to address these challenges in a meaningful way.

Council further notes that the UK Labour Government has also demonstrated its commitment to supporting small businesses, which are the backbone of local economies. By increasing the Employment Allowance to £10,500 and expanding eligibility, Labour is delivering tangible support to businesses across the UK. The Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR) expects 250,000 employers to benefit, and an additional 820,000 businesses across the UK will see no increase in their National Insurance contributions. In Scotland, an estimated 57,000 businesses will pay nothing at all, illustrating Labour's commitment to creating an environment where businesses can thrive and contribute to the economic recovery.

Council also highlights that UK Labour's 40% business rates relief for hospitality, retail, and leisure has only been replicated for hospitality in Scotland, with the measure costing the Scottish Budget just £22 million—an insufficient response to the needs of Scottish businesses. It is incumbent upon the Scottish Government to make full use of the resources it has been allocated to address the needs of all sectors of the economy.

Council believes that the increase in National Insurance Contributions should be viewed as a necessary measure not as a punitive tax. It is a vital part of ensuring that the services which people rely on most—such as healthcare, education, social care, and local services—are properly funded. The increase allows us to prevent further cuts to services and ensures that funding is directed toward those areas where it can make the most impact.

Council highlights the stark contrast between Labour's vision for fairness, opportunity, and growth, and the SNP's continued failure to respond effectively to the pressures on Scotland's public finances. The billions of pounds invested by the UK Labour Government are an opportunity to transform public services in Scotland, and there is no excuse for the Scottish Government's inability to deliver tangible improvements in the lives of Scotland's people.

Council recognizes that under the current devolution settlement, the Scottish Government has significant fiscal powers, including control over income tax rates and certain areas of public spending. Therefore, the Scottish Government has the ability to choose how to allocate resources to best serve the people of Scotland and should use this autonomy responsibly to address the challenges faced by communities across the country.

Council resolves to:

1. Call on the Scottish Government to seize this historic opportunity and prioritise frontline services, ensuring that every penny of the funding settlement is used to improve the lives of the people of Scotland.
2. Welcome the Labour Government's leadership in fostering fairness, protecting small businesses, and delivering the resources required to strengthen public services and local economies.
3. Challenge the SNP Government to fulfil their responsibility to govern effectively, ensuring that Scotland's record budget is invested wisely, with transparent and measurable impact.
4. Reaffirm this Council's commitment to a vision for Scotland where public services are fully funded, businesses thrive, and communities prosper, and continue to advocate for policies that meet these goals.

Councillor Anderson, seconded by Councillor Bruce, moved as an amendment that:-

After paragraph 2 ending "...businesses with £25bn hike.", insert 2 additional new paragraphs as follows:-

"Council recognises that significant additional investment is required to tackle the climate crisis, reduce child poverty and support public services, including councils, and welcomes the Labour Government's decision to increase investment through raising taxes. However, Council believes that raising National Insurance

contributions is one of the least progressive ways to raise tax, representing a tax on work rather than wealth.

Council believes that the UK Government ought to reverse the National Insurance change, instead raising capital gains tax or corporation tax, matching Scotland's income tax system, closing loopholes in the oil and gas windfall tax, and introducing a wealth tax."

After original paragraph 3 ending "...leading up to November.", insert additional new paragraph as follows:-

"Council is committed to transitioning to a wellbeing economy that prioritises the collective wellbeing of current and future generations; that focuses on creating a resilient, fair and sustainable economy that operates within safe environmental limits. Council agrees that the economy should serve to improve health and overall wellbeing, rather than be an end in itself."

In original paragraph 11 beginning "Council believes the third sector...", between "Citizens Advice," and "and others", add "Violence Against Women and Girls partners" and between "lifeline" and "to the", add "services."

After original paragraph 11, insert new additional paragraph:-

"Council notes that it is its legal responsibility and duty to work towards improving equality outcomes and to assess the impact policies have on its citizens with protected characteristics. Council agrees that in order to adequately respond to inequality within the city significant positive action needs to be taken to address socio-economic circumstances."

In final paragraph beginning "Council instructs...", remove "note the above" and replace with "reverse these changes to ENICs and raise tax through more progressive means."

After final paragraph, insert new additional paragraph:-

"Council asks for an Equality Impact Assessment to be carried out on the implications of this UK Government policy decision on the Council family, as well as the various third sector grants like the Glasgow Communities Fund and Area Budget grants."

During the debate, Councillor Bell and Councillor Anderson, with the approval of their seconders, agreed to combine their motion and amendments resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

"Council notes the significant negative impact that the increase in employers' National Insurance Contributions will have on the public and third sectors in the city and calls on the UK Government to rethink this measure, which has the potential to jeopardise the provision of essential services and supports to the people of this city.

Council understands that the UK Government expects this to raise money for the economy, however council believes this will be harmful to the public, private and third sectors which provide essential services and supports employment in our city. Council also understands that the majority of businesses expect negative impact

from national insurance increase, and this is expected to hit businesses with '£25bn hike.

Council recognises that significant additional investment is required to tackle the climate crisis, reduce child poverty and support public services, including councils, and welcomes the Labour Government's decision to increase investment through raising taxes. However, Council believes that raising National Insurance contributions is one of the least progressive ways to raise tax, representing a tax on work rather than wealth.

Council believes that the UK Government ought to reverse the National Insurance change, instead raising capital gains tax or corporation tax, matching Scotland's income tax system, closing loopholes in the oil and gas windfall tax, and introducing a wealth tax.

Council is alarmed that a month after Reeves' Budget, the Confederation of British Industry (CBI) now believes expectations for UK growth have turned negative: UK economic growth has slowed to 0.1%, high interest rates take a toll, and the UK's manufacturing sector worsened last month, with activity falling to a nine-month low. CBI's growth indicator shows most UK companies are anticipating a decline in activity over the next three months, that firms are planning to reduce headcount, with hiring intentions at their weakest since the tail end of the Covid-19 pandemic and that this is a particularly bleak prediction, considering private sector activity already fell in the three months leading up to November.

Council is committed to transitioning to a wellbeing economy that prioritises the collective wellbeing of current and future generations; that focuses on creating a resilient, fair and sustainable economy that operates within safe environmental limits. Council agrees that the economy should serve to improve health and overall wellbeing.

Council notes that Cosla has estimated that these changes will cost £265m to Local Government in Scotland, of which Glasgow City Council is the largest local authority with the largest workforce. Council estimates that the cost to GCC will be £30m.

Council notes that £4.7billion will be allocated to public sector organisations, however we understand that Scotland will receive a Barnett Consequential allocation of that money which will be much lower due to the significant size differentials between our public sectors. Council agrees that the approximate £300m offer by the UK Treasury to the Scottish Government to cover National Insurance increases is "austerity through the back door" and agree that the Scottish purse would require more than £500m to fully mitigate the increase due to the better paid and better valued workforce in Scotland.

Council regrets the introduction of further uncertainty into the public finances at a time of higher inflation and a cost-of-living crisis which has severely affected the public and third sectors as well as residents of this city.

Council notes with alarm the Fraser of Allander Institute estimate that the change may cost £931 on average for each public sector worker, after using data from the Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings, which is the most comprehensive data

source on earnings, and includes a split between the public and private sector in Scotland.

Council further notes the Fraser of Allander Institute estimate the Total Devolved Public Sector costs to be £509m which does not include Arm's Length Organisations (or ALEOs).

Council believes that as well as the burden on public finances, the increase will place a huge burden on the third sector, which provides such fantastic and essential services to the people of our city, and which is already coping with increased running costs due to the economic decisions of the last UK Government. SCVO estimate that the national insurance increase will cost the voluntary sector in Scotland around £75m and that given the challenging financial context, any increase in costs will be hard for voluntary organisations to meet. Council agrees with SCVO and the child and social care sector that Reeves reckless National Insurance Contributions increase only increases the risks faced by these sectors and their service users.

Council shares the concern of the social housing association movement and other RSLs who have indicated that to meet their increased NIC costs they are faced with either increasing rents, scaling back repairs and maintenance, and limiting their ambitions to provide affordable housing in Glasgow.

Council believes the third sector is a vital part of our city and applauds the work of the many organisations like Citizens Advice, Violence Against Women and Girls partners and others, who provide lifeline services to the people of Glasgow and which are reliant on charitable funding, with no other source of income to meet an increased NIC bill, and deplores a situation where these organisations could be forced into making service or staff cuts which will reduce their ability to assist the community due to the decisions of the UK Government, and which are ultimately to the detriment of the people.

Council agrees with COSLA and LGA that "Councils are facing unprecedented financial challenges, with the increases to employer National Insurance Contributions likely to add significant costs for councils and the wider sector. These pressures, compounded by inflation rises, are putting vital services at significant risk of collapse."

Council believes the UK Labour Government had a clear opportunity to create a fairer, economy and instead have repackaged failed ideas and policies that do not offer any hope for the urgent economic transformation required and instead have proven to be incompetent bookkeepers instead of changemakers.

Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer to reverse these changes to ENICs and raise tax through more progressive means and make clear that the UK Labour budget and the National Insurance hike are calamitous for Councils.

Council believes the UK Government's decision will negatively impact equality (particularly in the public and third sectors), notes that all politicians need to be cognisant of equalities impacts in decision-making and requests the UK Government prepare and publish an Equality Impact Assessment on the change to employers National Insurance contributions."

On a vote being taken electronically and by roll call, 31 members voted for the amendment by Councillor Brown and 45 for the motion as adjusted with 1 abstention.

The motion as adjusted was accordingly declared to be carried.

Support for the Employment Rights Bill – Motion as adjusted approved.

15 Councillor Carson, seconded by Councillor Rankin, moved that:-

"Council welcomes the UK Labour Government's introduction of the Employment Rights Bill to Parliament in October 2024. This landmark legislation represents a significant step forward in strengthening workplace protections and promoting fairness, dignity, and security for workers across the United Kingdom.

Council recognises that, for over a decade, workers have faced increasing job insecurity, stagnating wages, and weakened rights. The Employment Rights Bill provides a comprehensive framework to address these challenges, enhancing justice and protection for all workers.

Council notes the following transformative measures introduced by the Employment Rights Bill:

1. Ending Exploitative Practices

- **Ban on Exploitative Zero-Hours Contracts:** Guarantees the offer of predictable, regular hours for millions of workers.
- **Minimum Notice for Shift Changes:** Requires employers to provide reasonable notice of shifts and changes to shifts.

2. Promoting Work-Life Balance

- **Enhanced Right to Flexible Working:** Establishes flexibility as a default right for all employees from day one.
- **Enhanced Parental Rights:** Extends parental leave and pay entitlements, supporting working families.

3. Strengthening Job Security

- **Protection Against Unfair Dismissal:** Expands workers' ability to challenge unfair treatment.
- **Protections for Pregnant Workers:** Strengthens rights during and after pregnancy to prevent workplace discrimination.

4. Empowering Workers

- **Improved Trade Union Rights.**
- **Right to Redress:** Provides workers with clearer avenues to seek justice for workplace grievances.

Council believes that this Bill will deliver greater job security, fairer wages, support for families, and a more inclusive and empowered workforce.

Council further notes that Glasgow's workforce will particularly benefit from this legislation, as many workers in the city are employed in insecure, low-paid roles that lack adequate protection under current laws.

Council believes that the Employment Rights Bill is a vital step towards building a fairer economy and improving the lives of workers throughout the UK, addressing inequalities, raising living standards, and creating a modern, dignified workplace for all.

Council resolves to:

1. Welcome the UK Labour Government's Employment Rights Bill and its potential to transform workplace rights.
2. Encourage local employers to prepare for these changes and align their practices with the Bill's principles.
3. Collaborate with trade unions and worker organisations to raise awareness of the Bill's benefits among Glasgow's workforce.
4. Urge the Scottish Government to support the principles of the Employment Rights Bill and work with the UK Government to ensure its successful implementation."

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

After 'Council welcomes the UK Labour Government's introduction of the Employment Rights Bill to Parliament in October 2024.'

Delete all and replace with:

"Council believes that if the proposals within the Bill become law this will be an important step forward in reversing the roll-back of workers rights which took place under the previous UK Conservative Government.

However, Council notes with concern the words of trade union officials such as Unite general secretary Sharon Graham who has said that while the Bill is "a significant step forward", it "stops short of making work pay".

Council believes that this will be exacerbated by the UK Government's lowering of the threshold and increase in the rates of National Insurance Employer Contributions which the Office for Budget Responsibility and other experts have stated is likely to be passed onto workers through lower wages, redundancies and fewer workers being hired.

Council regrets that the UK Labour Government's continued support of Brexit, against the will of the citizens of Glasgow and Scotland, removes the minimum base line for workers' rights, meaning that there is no limit to the rights that can be removed by future UK Governments.

Council further regrets that the devolution of employment law to the Scottish Parliament was blocked by the Labour Party through the Smith Commission, effectively condemning Scottish workers to a further decade of Conservative attacks on their rights.

Council reaffirms its commitment to the devolution of employment law to the Scottish Parliament as a means of guaranteeing the rights of Glaswegian workers, ending the back and forth of Labour and Conservative Governments at Westminster playing politics with what should be fundamental rights.”

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

In paragraph 1, remove “Labour” from between “UK” and “Government”.

After paragraph 10 ending “...dignified workplace for all.”, insert 2 additional new paragraphs:

“Council believes that the UK can and should go further with this bill, specifically that they should fund local authorities to make the transfer to a four day work week. Council also understands a four day work week as a 20% reduction in hours with no reduction in pay, not to be confused with compression of hours.

Council also believes that the UK Government should scrap poor legislation introduced by their predecessors, namely the Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Act 2023 and the Trade Union Act 2016.”

In the list of resolutions, in point one, remove “Labour” from between “UK” and “Government”.

Add additional point five in list of resolutions, to read:

“5. Write to the UK Government to ask for their assurances that they are looking to scrap aforementioned poor trade union legislation, and for their view on a real four day work week.”

During the debate Councillor Carson, Councillor Leinster and Councillor Hutchison, with the agreement of their seconders, agreed to combine their motion and amendments resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

“Council welcomes the UK Government’s introduction of the Employment Rights Bill to Parliament in October 2024. This landmark legislation represents a significant step forward in strengthening workplace protections and promoting fairness, dignity, and security for workers across the United Kingdom.

Council recognises that, for over a decade, workers have faced increasing job insecurity, stagnating wages, and weakened rights - exacerbated by 14 years of financial and social misrule by the UK Conservative Government. The Employment Rights Bill provides a comprehensive framework to address these challenges, enhancing justice and protection for all workers.

Council notes the following transformative measures introduced by the Employment Rights Bill:

1. Ending Exploitative Practices

- Ban on Exploitative Zero-Hours Contracts: Guarantees the offer of predictable, regular hours for millions of workers.

- Minimum Notice for Shift Changes: Requires employers to provide reasonable notice of shifts and changes to shifts.

2. Promoting Work-Life Balance

- Enhanced Right to Flexible Working: Establishes flexibility as a default right for all employees from day one.
- Enhanced Parental Rights: Extends parental leave and pay entitlements, supporting working families.

3. Strengthening Job Security

- Protection Against Unfair Dismissal: Expands workers' ability to challenge unfair treatment.
- Protections for Pregnant Workers: Strengthens rights during and after pregnancy to prevent workplace discrimination.

4. Empowering Worker

- Improved Trade Union Rights.
- Right to Redress: Provides workers with clearer avenues to seek justice for workplace grievances.

Council believes that this Bill will deliver greater job security, fairer wages, support for families, and a more inclusive and empowered workforce.

Council further notes that Glasgow's workforce will particularly benefit from this legislation, as many workers in the city are employed in insecure, low-paid roles that lack adequate protection under current laws.

Council believes that the Employment Rights Bill is a vital step towards building a fairer economy and improving the lives of workers throughout the UK, addressing inequalities, raising living standards, and creating a modern, dignified workplace for all. However, Council acknowledges that this is but a first step in the long struggle for equality and justice for working people and recognises the calls from trade unions that the UK Government should go further.

Council believes that working people should be protected at every possible level of governing institutions, and still believes in the positive values inherent in the European Social Charter, as related to rights for working people, as essential values that should also be reflected throughout UK and Scottish institutions.

Council acknowledges that there are specific employment challenges relevant to the individual nations of the UK and believes that these need tailored approaches as appropriate to their relevant legislative body. This is particularly true in Scotland where for too long we have registered as the zero-hours contract capital of the UK. Council therefore believes that the devolution of Employment Law to Scotland is an essential element in protecting and enhancing workers' rights in Glasgow and the rest of Scotland.

Council also acknowledges that working people in Britain today require a much fairer outcome in relation to balancing work and life.

Council therefore believes that that the UK and Scottish Governments should help pursue and promote 4-day work weeks (understood as a 20% reduction in hours without reduction in pay) as a positive model of employment in local Government and beyond, but without impacting on jobs, terms and conditions and service delivery.

Council resolves to:

1. Welcome the UK Government's Employment Rights Bill and its potential to transform workplace rights.
2. Encourage local employers to prepare for these changes and align their practices with the Bill's principles.
3. Collaborate with trade unions and worker organisations to raise awareness of the Bill's benefits among Glasgow's workforce.
4. Urge the Scottish Government to support the principles of the Employment Rights Bill and work with the UK Government to ensure its successful implementation.
5. Welcome the UK Government's commitment to repeal the 2016 Trade Union Act and the Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Act 2023 as contained within the legislation."

The motion, as adjusted, was unanimously approved.

Grassroots music – Motion as adjusted agreed.

16 Bailie Mearns, seconded by Councillor Anderson, moved that:-

"Council notes the significant contribution that music, its creators, performers, promoters, clubs and venues makes to Glasgow, an iconic music city sustained by world-class higher education institutions and infamous audiences. Council further notes that this has created a unique musical culture valued right across the world, providing invaluable opportunities for Glasgow's citizens and which contributes significantly to the success of the music industry globally.

Council further notes that Glasgow's music contributes overwhelmingly to Scotland's vibrancy and success. Night-time industries turn over more than £2 billion every year for the city, supporting 16,600 full-time jobs, with music tourism representing 1.6m visits to Scotland and a visitor spend of £499m in 2023 alone, according to research by UK Music, with much of this generated in Glasgow. Council recognises that this supports culture and tourism in the city and led to Glasgow being the first city in the UK to be awarded UNESCO City of Music status in 2008, as well as being voted the best city in the world for live music this year.

Council recognises the unique contribution of grassroots music venues to Glasgow's musical success; notes that many internationally-acclaimed artists have made their names here; and that these venues make up a significant part of our musical ecosystem, such as Sub Club which recently celebrated the 30th anniversary of its legendary weekly club night, Subculture, and which is nominated for DJ Mag's Best of British 'Best Club' Award this year, King Tuts' Wah Wah Hut, which was named "UK's Best Live Venue" for three years in a row; as well as a network of internationally successful labels, such as Numbers, LuckyMe and Soma Records and the record shops they centre around like Rubadub. Council

recognises that these, as well as many others, add immense value to Glasgow's music culture and have placed Glasgow at the forefront of the UK's electronic and wider music scene.

Council, however, notes the ongoing financial pressures facing Scotland's music industry since Covid-19, which has resulted in the closure of grassroots music venues in Glasgow, such as the Blue Arrow Jazz Club and The 13th Note Cafe; that bigger venues are also being impacted, including The Shed nightclub which recently closed its doors, and The Garage nightclub which has reduced operating hours for the first time in its long and successful history. Council further acknowledges the significant loss to Glasgow's music landscape with the demolition of the iconic O2 ABC on Sauchiehall Street.

Council notes that figures from the Night-Time Industries Association (NTIA) show that there are only 82 nightclubs left in Scotland now, from 125 venues in 2020, which is a staggering drop of more than 30% in only four years. The NTIA have recently issued a stark warning that, without urgent intervention, there will be no night clubs left in the UK by 2030.

Council commends the work of Music Venue Trust in campaigning for grassroots music across the UK; as well as recent work on Glasgow's Culture Strategy 2024-2030. Council celebrates the recent work that has been done on Glasgow's Culture Strategy 2024-2030 and Glasgow's 2030 Tourism Strategy which highlight the value of the city's music as a cultural asset and which recognise the critical importance of music to our visitor economy. Council further commends the work being undertaken by Glasgow's City Centre Taskforce, including the Night-time Economy and Transport sub-groups which have developed specific proposals which must be advanced at pace to support Glasgow's night-time industry and prevent further, irreversible decline to our city's culture.

Council therefore resolves to:

- A. ask the Convenor for Culture to write to the Chair of the Scottish Events Campus requesting a local Stadium Levy pilot to be developed for the Hydro, with revenue raised to be directed towards supporting grassroots music venues, and to table a paper to the appropriate committee detailing the steps needed to take it forward;
- B. write to the Chancellor calling for reform of the VAT system to protect the culture sector, particularly grassroots music venues and nightclubs;
- C. Write to the Finance Secretary calling for reform of Non-domestic Rates to prioritise financial support to genuinely small businesses which recognises the unique challenges facing music venues;
- D. write to all relevant public transport providers requesting enhanced night bus services, incorporating most recent customer and industry feedback, and calling for later operating hours on Subway and trains to support the night-time economy;
- E. develop a local Night-time Economy Strategy for Glasgow, in line with the recommendations of the NTIA Scotland and the City Centre Taskforce's NTE sub-group;

- F. produce a comprehensive UNESCO City of Music trail, in physical and digital form, as one legacy of Glasgow's 850th anniversary which helps to celebrate all that Glasgow has to offer musically;
- G. ensure that grassroots music venues, artists and DJs across all genres are fully involved in Glasgow's 850 celebrations, including at a dedicated civic reception and within the programme for Clyde Chorus;
- H. consider additional opportunities to market Glasgow's music internationally and through Glasgow's Life's destination marketing team."

Bailie Christie, seconded by Councillor Doherty, moved as an amendment that:-

Insert in paragraph 3 between "...awarded UNESCO City of Music status in 2008, ..." and "...as well as being voted the best city in the world for live music this year".

"...and remains Scotland's only UNESCO City of Music,..."

Insert in paragraph 6 between "Glasgow's Culture Strategy 2024-2030,..." and "...and Glasgow's 2030 Tourism Strategy..."

"Glasgow's Events Strategy 2035"

Delete final sentence in paragraph 6 from "Council further commends the work being undertaken by Glasgow's City Centre Taskforce,..." and replace with:

"with aspirations to maintain and enhance Glasgow's breadth and scale of venues, and to nurture Glasgow's creative and events workforce to attract, develop and retain good people, reflecting a diverse and inclusive working environment whilst delivering excellence."

Insert after paragraph 6, 3 new paragraphs:

"City Centre Taskforce's Night Time Economy Group which is currently developing an action plan, responding to the City Centre Taskforce's commissioned evidence based report on Glasgow's Night Time Economy; notes that the City Centre Taskforce's Transport Sub Group has brought together transport operators, alongside the public and private sector, to seek improvements to public transport to support people to participate in the night time economy; and further notes that the Taskforce has already been advocating and will continue to advocate for operators to increase operating hours.

Council also commends the 'Choose Public Transport' campaign as businesses across Glasgow work collaboratively during the busy winter season, with public transport operators joining forces with Glasgow City Council and the Night Time Economy team to encourage visitors coming into the city in the evening to make use of the wide range of public transport options available throughout the day and night.

Council welcomes the statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Finance in the Scottish Government's draft budget 2025/26 with the announcement of a £34m increase for the culture sector, including doubling the budget provided to our world-

class Scottish Festivals which in turn benefits thousands of grassroots artists, and providing Non-Domestic Rates support to music venues.”

Delete bullets C, D and E and insert a new bullet:

“Support the recommendations of the City Centre Taskforce’s Night Time Economy group which will be brought forward in early 2025, and the aim to co-develop a Night Time Economy Action Plan in partnership with the NTE sector;”

Insert at beginning of bullet F:

“Continue to develop the..”

Insert at the beginning of bullet G:

“Further explore the city’s most notable venues, bringing alive the stories of the legendary performers who have stayed, played, and made music in the UK’s first UNESCO City of Music during Glasgow 850 celebrations, ensuring..”

And change “fully involved” to “engaged”

Insert at the beginning of bullet H:

“Build on the success of the recent Glasgow Non Stop Music and City of Music digital campaigns and...”

Councillor McAveety, seconded by Councillor Lalley, moved as an amendment that:-

After music venues in bullet point A, please insert:

“It is essential that any proposed levy is properly costed, and that a full consultation process be undertaken with relevant stakeholders, including representatives from the music industry, to ensure the levy’s impact on the sector is carefully considered. In addition, Council requests that a report be brought to the appropriate committee, including details of the consultation process, cost analysis, and a clear plan to ensure the levy does not unduly burden the already struggling music industry.”

During the debate Bailie Mearns, Bailie Christie and Councillor McAveety, with the agreement of their seconders, agreed to combine their motion and amendments resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

“Council notes the significant contribution that music, its creators, performers, promoters, clubs and venues makes to Glasgow, an iconic music city sustained by world-class higher education institutions and infamous audiences. Council further notes that this has created a unique musical culture valued right across the world, providing invaluable opportunities for Glasgow’s citizens and which contributes significantly to the success of the music industry globally.

Council further notes that Glasgow’s music contributes overwhelmingly to Scotland’s vibrancy and success. Night-time industries turn over more than £2 billion every year for the city, supporting 16,600 full-time jobs, with music tourism representing 1.6m visits to Scotland and a visitor spend of £499m in 2023 alone, according to research by UK Music, with much of this generated in Glasgow. Council recognises that this supports culture and tourism in the city and led to

Glasgow being the first city in the UK to be awarded UNESCO City of Music status in 2008, and remains Scotland's only UNESCO City of Music as well as being voted the best city in the world for live music this year.

Council recognises the unique contribution of grassroots music venues to Glasgow's musical success; notes that many internationally-acclaimed artists have made their names here; and that these venues make up a significant part of our musical ecosystem, such as Sub Club which recently celebrated the 30th anniversary of its legendary weekly club night, Subculture, and which is nominated for DJ Mag's Best of British 'Best Club' Award this year; King Tuts' Wah Wah Hut, which was named "UK's Best Live Venue" for three years in a row; as well as a network of internationally successful labels, such as Numbers, LuckyMe and Soma Records and the record shops they centre around like Rubadub. Council recognises that these, as well as many others, add immense value to Glasgow's music culture and have placed Glasgow at the forefront of the UK's electronic and wider music scene.

Council, however, notes the ongoing financial pressures facing Scotland's music industry since Covid-19, which has resulted in the closure of grassroots music venues in Glasgow, such as the Blue Arrow Jazz Club and The 13th Note Cafe; that bigger venues are also being impacted, including The Shed nightclub which recently closed its doors, and The Garage nightclub which has reduced operating hours for the first time in its long and successful history. Council further acknowledges the significant loss to Glasgow's music landscape with the demolition of the iconic O2 ABC on Sauchiehall Street.

Council notes that figures from the Night Time Industries Association (NTIA) show that there are only 82 nightclubs left in Scotland now, from 125 venues in 2020, which is a staggering drop of more than 30% in only four years. The NTIA have recently issued a stark warning that, without urgent intervention, there will be no night clubs left in the UK by 2030.

Council celebrates the recent work that has been done on Glasgow's Culture Strategy 2024-2030, Glasgow's Events Strategy 2035 and Glasgow's 2030 Tourism Strategy which highlight the value of the city's music as a cultural asset and which recognise the critical importance of music to our visitor economy with aspirations to maintain and enhance Glasgow's breadth and scale of venues, and to nurture Glasgow's creative and events workforce to attract, develop and retain good people, reflecting a diverse and inclusive working environment whilst delivering excellence.

Council further commends the City Centre Taskforce's Night Time Economy Group which is currently developing an action plan, responding to the Taskforce's commissioned evidence based report on Glasgow's Night Time Economy; notes that the Taskforce's Transport Sub Group has brought together transport operators, alongside the public and private sector, to seek improvements to public transport to support people to participate in the night time economy; and further notes that the Taskforce has already been advocating and will continue to advocate for operators to increase operating hours.

Council also commends the 'Choose Public Transport' campaign as businesses across Glasgow work collaboratively during the busy winter season, with public transport operators joining forces with Glasgow City Council and the Night Time

Economy team to encourage visitors coming into the city in the evening to make use of the wide range of public transport options available throughout the day and night.

Council welcomes the statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Finance in the Scottish Government's draft budget 2025-26 with the announcement of a £34m increase for the culture sector hailed as 'transformational', including doubling the budget provided to our world-class Scottish Festivals which in turn benefits thousands of grassroots artists, and providing Non-Domestic Rates support to music venues. However, Council notes the ongoing challenges around funding for culture more broadly which may not be fully resolved by this forthcoming Scottish Government budget.

Council therefore resolves to:

- A. Ask the Convenor for Culture to write to the Chair of the Scottish Events Campus requesting a local Stadium Levy pilot to be developed for the Hydro, with revenue raised to be directed towards supporting grassroots music venues, and to table a paper to the appropriate committee detailing the steps needed to take it forward.

Council agrees it is essential that any proposed levy does not unduly burden the already struggling music industry, and that at the appropriate stage a full consultation process be undertaken with relevant stakeholders, including representatives from the music industry, to ensure the levy's impact on the sector is carefully considered. In addition, Council requests that reports be regularly brought to the appropriate Council committee to keep elected members updated;

- B. Write to the Chancellor calling for reform of the VAT system to protect the culture sector, particularly grassroots music venues and nightclubs;
- C. Support the recommendations of the City Centre Taskforce's Night Time Economy group which will be brought forward in early 2025, and the aim to co-develop a Night Time Economy Action Plan and Strategy in partnership with the NTE sector which would include later public transport operating hours, with a report to be brought to the relevant Council committee by summer recess of 2025 which would include further details on the draft Night Time Economy Strategy;
- D. Continue to develop the comprehensive UNESCO City of Music trail, in physical and digital form, as one legacy of Glasgow's 850th anniversary which helps to celebrate all that Glasgow has to offer musically;
- E. Further explore the city's most notable venues, bringing alive the stories of the legendary performers who have stayed, played, and made music in the UK's first UNESCO City of Music during Glasgow 850 celebrations, ensuring that grassroots music venues, artists and DJs across all genres are engaged INVOLVED in Glasgow's 850 celebrations, including at a dedicated civic reception and within the programme for Clyde Chorus; and
- F. Build on the success of the recent Glasgow Non Stop Music and City of Music digital campaigns and consider additional opportunities to market Glasgow's

music internationally and through Glasgow's Life's destination marketing team.

The motion, as adjusted, was unanimously agreed.

Misuse of off-road vehicles – Motion as adjusted approved.

17 Councillor Gow, seconded by Bailie McCabe, moved that:-

“Council acknowledges what it sees as the significant public safety issues regarding the misuse of off-road vehicles, including motorbikes, quad bikes, e-scooters and e-bikes being used dangerously, inappropriately and often illegally on roads, footpaths and various open spaces, which, it believes, poses a serious risk of injury and risk to life for those driving such vehicles, as well as others within the community.

Council considers that their misuse can also have a detrimental impact on a community due to nuisance, antisocial behaviour and damage caused including environmental; notes the belief that mandatory registration of off-road vehicles, which is a reserved power, may assist Police Scotland with what it considers to be the often hazardous and unenviable tasks regarding policing, identification and enforcement.

Council notes that an Off-Road Vehicles (Registration) Bill was lodged by Anne McLaughlin MP within the last UK Parliament earlier this year and having received cross-party support that the then UK Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Transport agreed to establish a task force to look at the wider issues caused by off-road vehicles. Council regrets that the new UK Government has yet to commit to taking this forward and Council believes that it should do so.

Council further notes that following a Member's Debate on Tackling the Misuse of off-road vehicles led by Bob Doris MSP with cross-party support that the Scottish Government has agreed to establish a Working Group in Scotland including the Scottish Government, local authorities (COSLA), Police Scotland and others to consider what more can be done to keep the public safe and nuisance-free from the misuse of off-road vehicles across Scotland.

Council believes that these actions complement our Road Safety Plan 2020–30 and recently established Road Safety & Behaviour Change Working Group led by the Safe Glasgow Chair which will also consider this matter and best practice across the UK and Europe.

Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to COSLA and the Scottish Government to agree to participate in their Working Group and resolves to do what it can to assist in reducing the harms to communities and families from such misuse.”

Councillor Turner, seconded by Councillor Greer, moved as an amendment that:-

After the last sentence in paragraph 2, insert:

“Council recognises the broader social and environmental harm caused by off-road vehicles and the need for appropriate resources for Police Scotland to allow effective and immediate enforcement.”

Begin paragraph 3 with new sentence, which should read as:

“Council recognises this area is a complex and evolving area of policy that is being faced in cities around the world and requires a joined-up approach from all levels of government.”

Remove the last sentence from paragraph 3.

Insert new paragraph between 3 and 4, which should read as follows:

“Council also notes that Jessica Morden MP brought a 10-minute rule bill to the UK Parliament to require the Secretary of State to commission and publish a review of the legislation and guidance relating to e-scooters – including promoting public awareness of the rules of use – and notes the commitment from the Secretary of State for Transport in November 2024 to look for opportunities to bring legislation on regulating use of e-bikes and e-scooters.”

Begin paragraph 5 with new sentence that should read as:

“Furthermore, Council notes the role of Local Government and believes that these actions complement our Road Safety Plan 2020-30 and recently established Road Safety & Behaviour Change Working Group led by the Safe Glasgow Chair which will also consider this matter and best practice across the UK and Europe.”

After Europe, please insert new sentence, which should read as:

“Council recognises the role of public education and commits to bringing proposals to raise awareness in schools, educational settings and in the wider community once the legislative landscape is clarified.”

In paragraph 6, after misuse, please insert new sentence which should read as:

“Council also instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Transport to outline the council’s support for consideration of legislative options in this area, including potential registration of off-road vehicles, and to offer to assist the UK Government as it considers what form of regulatory framework may be appropriate.”

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

At the end of paragraph 1, add:

“Council notes the value of increasing segregated active travel routes to help decrease the use of e-bikes on footpaths.”

At the end of paragraph 5, add:

“Council supports the continued investment in the development and expansion of the city’s cycle route network and cycling infrastructure to improve public safety.”

At the end of paragraph 6, add:

“In addition, Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to the UK Government's Home Secretary seeking the establishment of a taskforce, as has previously been discussed in the UK Parliament, to seek to resolve issues regarding enforcement against inappropriate use of off-road vehicles at a UK level.”

During the debate Councillor Gow, Councillor Turner and Bailie Carroll, with the agreement of their seconders, agreed to combine their motion and amendments resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

“Council acknowledges what it sees as the significant public safety issues regarding the misuse of off-road vehicles, including motorbikes, quad bikes, e-scooters and e-bikes being used dangerously, inappropriately and often illegally on roads, footpaths and various open spaces, which, it believes, poses a serious risk of injury and risk to life for those driving such vehicles, as well as others within the community. Council notes the value of increasing segregated active travel routes to help decrease the use of e-bikes on footpaths.

Council considers that their misuse can also have a detrimental impact on a community due to nuisance, antisocial behaviour and damage caused including environmental; notes the belief that mandatory registration of off-road vehicles, which is a reserved power, may assist Police Scotland with what it considers to be the often hazardous and unenviable tasks regarding policing, identification and enforcement.

Council recognises this area is a complex and evolving area of policy that is being faced in cities around the world and requires a joined-up approach from all levels of government. Council notes that an Off-Road Vehicles (Registration) Bill was lodged by Anne McLaughlin MP within the last UK Parliament earlier this year and having received cross-party support that the then UK Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Transport agreed to establish a task force to look at the wider issues caused by off-road vehicles.

Council also notes that Jessica Morden MP brought a 10-minute rule bill to the UK Parliament to require the Secretary of State to commission and publish a review of the legislation and guidance relating to e-scooters – including promoting public awareness of the rules of use – and notes the commitment from the Secretary of State for Transport in November 2024 to look for opportunities to bring legislation on regulating use of e-bikes and e-scooters.

Council further notes that following a Member's Debate on Tackling the Misuse of off-road vehicles led by Bob Doris MSP with cross-party support that the Scottish Government has agreed to establish a Working Group in Scotland including the Scottish Government, local authorities (COSLA), Police Scotland and others to consider what more can be done to keep the public safe and nuisance-free from the misuse of off-road vehicles across Scotland.

Furthermore, Council notes the role of Local Government and believes that these actions complement our Road Safety Plan 2020-30 and recently established Road Safety & Behaviour Change Working Group led by the Safe Glasgow Chair which will also consider this matter and best practice across the UK and Europe.

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Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to COSLA and the Scottish Government to agree to participate in their Working Group and resolves to do what it can to assist in reducing the harms to communities and families from such misuse. Council also instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Transport to outline the council's support for consideration of legislative options in this area, including potential registration of off-road vehicles, and to offer to assist the UK Government as it considers what form of regulatory framework may be appropriate."

The motion as adjusted was unanimously approved.

Adjournment.

18 In terms of Standing Order No 5 (12), the time being after 1630 hours, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting, the remaining items of business being 10(e), 10(f), 10(g) and 10(h).

A Local Government by-election was held on Thursday, 21st November 2024 to elect a Councillor for the Electoral Ward 14 – Drumchapel/Anniesland, Ward 15 – Maryhill and Ward 21 – North East.

I have to advise you that as a result of the by-election for Ward 14 – Drumchapel/Anniesland, Davena Rankin – was elected Councillor for the said Ward.

The total number of votes given for each candidate is detailed below.

Candidate	Party	Elected	Number of First Preferences	Elected at Stage Number	Cumulative vote at Election or Exclusion
Adekemi Giwa	Scottish National Party		830		1,134 (excluded stage 7)
Elsbeth Kerr	Independent		297		372 (excluded stage 5)
Christopher Lavelle	Elect a Scottish Green Councillor		263		275 (excluded stage 4)
Allan Douglas Lyons	Reform UK		405		524 (excluded stage 6)
Steven Morrison	Scottish Conservative and Unionist		184		196 (excluded stage 3)
Davena Rankin	Glasgow Labour	Yes	1,084	7	1,857
Michael Edward Shields	Scottish Liberal Democrats		93		93 (excluded stage 2)
Election Statistics					
Total Electorate					20,895
Percentage Poll					15.3%
Quota required to be elected					1,579
Breakdown of Rejected Papers					
Which does not bear a unique identifying mark in a form that is capable of being read by electronic means					0
On which a number standing alone is not placed so as to indicate a first preference for some candidate					33
On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate					4
On which anything is written or marked by which the voter can be identified except the printed number and other unique identifying mark on the back					0
Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty					5
Total Rejected Papers					42

I have to advise you that as a result of the by-election for Ward 15 – Maryhill, Marie Garrity – was elected Councillor for the said Ward.

The total number of votes given for each candidate is detailed below.

Candidate	Party	Elected	Number of First Preferences	Elected at Stage Number	Cumulative vote at Election or Exclusion
Nick Durie	Alba Party: Yes to Scottish Independence		118		127 (excluded stage 4)
Lorna Margaret Finn	Scottish National Party (SNP)		814		1,093 (excluded stage 7)
Marie Garrity	Glasgow Labour	Yes	999	7	1,731
Ellie Gomersall	Elect a Scottish Green Councillor		338		372 (excluded stage 5)
Susan McCourt	Scottish Conservative and Unionist		89		100 (excluded stage 3)
David Jamie McGowan	Reform UK		353		410 (excluded stage 6)
Daniel John O'Malley	Scottish Liberal Democrats		75		75 (excluded stage 2)

Election Statistics	
Total Electorate	14,619
Percentage Poll	19.30%
Quota required to be elected	1,394
Breakdown of Rejected Papers	
Which does not bear a unique identifying mark in a form that is capable of being read by electronic means	0
On which a number standing alone is not placed so as to indicate a first preference for some candidate	29
On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	7
On which anything is written or marked by which the voter can be identified except the printed number and other unique identifying mark on the back	0
Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty	4
Total Rejected Papers	40

I have to advise you that as a result of the by-election for Ward 21 - North East, Mary McNab – was elected Councillor for the said Ward.

The total number of votes given for each candidate is detailed below.

Candidate	Party	Elected	Number of First Preferences	Elected at Stage Number	Cumulative vote at Election or Exclusion
Thomas Haddow	Scottish Conservative and Unionist		99		111 (excluded stage 5)
Anne McAllister	Scottish Trade Unionist and Socialist Coalition		68		72 (excluded stage 3)
Hayley McDonald	Elect a Scottish Green Councillor		77		94 (excluded stage 4)
Robert Matthew James McGregor	Reform UK		336		397 (excluded stage 6)
Peter McLaughlin	Scottish Liberal Democrats		36		36 (excluded stage 2)
Mary McNab	Glasgow Labour	Yes	630	7	1,069
Kilian Riley	Scottish National Party (SNP)		591		686 (excluded stage 7)
Election Statistics					
Total Electorate					15,040
Percentage Poll					12.40%
Quota required to be elected					919
Breakdown of Rejected Papers					
Which does not bear a unique identifying mark in a form that is capable of being read by electronic means					0
On which a number standing alone is not placed so as to indicate a first preference for some candidate					15
On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate					11
On which anything is written or marked by which the voter can be identified except the printed number and other unique identifying mark on the back					0
Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty					5
Total Rejected Papers					31

The winner of the by-election in Ward 21 - North East was subsequently disqualified from remaining a member of the council under section 31A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 requiring a by-election to be held.

An application has been made to the Sheriff Principal at Glasgow Sheriff Court seeking a declarator to that effect.

A Local Government by-election was held on Thursday, 5th December 2024 to elect a Councillor for the Electoral Ward 23 – Partick East/Kelvindale.

I have to advise you that as a result of the by-election for Ward 23 – Partick East/Kelvindale, James Adams - was elected Councillor for the said Ward.

The total number of votes given for each candidate is detailed below.

Candidate	Party	Elected	Number of First Preferences	Elected at Stage Number	Cumulative vote at Election or Exclusion
James Adams	Glasgow Labour	Yes	1,723	4	2,485
Nicholas Allan Budgen	Scottish Liberal Democrats		339		339 (excluded stage 2)
Faten Hameed	Scottish Conservative and Unionist		632		707 (excluded stage 3)
Heloise Le Moal	Elect a Scottish Green Councillor		837		927 (excluded stage 4)
Cylina Porch	Scottish National Party (SNP)		1,062		1,532 (excluded stage 4)

Election Statistics	
Total Electorate	21,307
Percentage Poll	21.7%
Quota required to be elected	2,297
Breakdown of Rejected Papers	
Which does not bear a unique identifying mark in a form that is capable of being read by electronic means	0
On which a number standing alone is not placed so as to indicate a first preference for some candidate	5
On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	13
On which anything is written or marked by which the voter can be identified except the printed number and other unique identifying mark on the back	0
Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty	18
Total Rejected Papers	36

APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR OFFICERS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 13th December 2024.

Appointment of Senior Officers Committee.

Present: Susan Aitken (Chair), Richard Bell, Allan Casey, Seonad Hoy, Elaine McDougall, Jon Molyneux and George Redmond.

Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); S Millar, Chief Executive; E McGowan, Strategic HR Manager; J White, Technical Assesor and A Billington, Solace in Business.

Exclusion of public.

1 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.

Post of Executive Director of Financial Services - Appointment agreed.

2 The committee having interviewed 5 candidates for the post of Executive Director of Financial Services, agreed to appoint Robert Emmott, currently Executive Director of Corporate Services, Dundee City Council, to the post.

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 5th December 2024.

City Administration Committee.

- Present: Susan Aitken (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam (substitute for Soryia Siddique), Richard Bell, Christina Cannon, Anthony Carroll (substitute for Jon Molyneux), John Carson (substitute for Cecilia O'Lone), Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Allan Gow (substitute for Allan Casey), Greg Hepburn, Ruairi Kelly, Thomas Kerr, Kevin Lalley (substitute for Jill Brown), Norman MacLeod (substitute for Angus Millar), Frank McAveety, Elaine McDougall, Anne McTaggart, Jill Pidgeon, George Redmond, Lana Reid-McConnell and Martha Wardrop.
- Apologies: Philip Braat, Jill Brown, Allan Casey, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Cecilia O'Lone and Soryia Siddique.
- Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); S Millar, Chief Executive; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; G Gilliespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; and J Kerr, Interim Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Glasgow Communities Fund phase 3 – Approach approved - Declaration of interest.

1 With reference to the minutes of the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee of 30th May 2024 (Print 2, page 66) noting the outcome of engagement undertaken with third sector stakeholders of the Glasgow Communities Fund (GCF), Councillor McTaggart, City Convener for Communities and Equalities, presented a report on the progress made on the implementation and review of the GCF, advising

- (1) that the GCF had been introduced in 2020 by the Council and provided a programme of grant funding support to third sector organisations to deliver on the aims of the fund, as detailed in the report;
- (2) that the GCF phase 2 3-year programme from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2026 had been allocated on a geographic basis and the funding on city-wide and sector recommendations;
- (3) of the implementation and progress of the GCF phase 2 and of the results from the GCF Performance Monitoring Framework consultation, as detailed in the report;

- (4) that the budget allocation for GCF phase 3 would not be confirmed until later in 2025, however drawing on the outcome of engagement with stakeholders, it was proposed that the framework for the GCF phase 3 be aligned with the 4 key engagement areas, as detailed in the report;
- (5) that a “Funders in Glasgow” Group, co-chaired by officers from the Council and the National Lottery Communities Team had been established to bring together representatives from various organisations and that a working group had been formed to take forward some of the objectives relating to funding streams in the city; and
- (6) that the Council had hosted a Celebration and Learning event for organisations funded by the GCF and Glasgow’s Holiday Programme to celebrate the success of projects funded by the Council city-wide and to offer a networking opportunity for organisations to meet and learn about other projects supported by the GCF and Glasgow’s Holiday Programme and feedback from the event survey would be shared with funded projects on the GCF webpage.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the progress to date on the implementation and review of the Glasgow Communities Fund; and
- (b) approved the approach for the application process for the Glasgow Communities Fund phase 3.

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

Glasgow Communities Fund – Daisy Project and Glasgow Women’s Aid – Interim funding approved.

2 Councillor McTaggart, City Convener for Communities and Equalities, presented a report regarding funding from the Glasgow Communities Fund (GCF) to meet a gap in the provision for services to women and children following the closure of Glasgow East Women’s Aid (GEWA), advising

- (1) that the North East Sector Partnership on 19th January 2023 had awarded £140,146 per annum of funding from the GCF 2023-26 to GEWA to deliver person centred therapeutic support for women who had experienced domestic abuse and exploitation, however in September 2023, officers were advised of management and governance issues within GEWA, which resulted in the Council suspending its GCF funding;
- (2) that during the suspension of GEWA’s service, officers of the Council worked in partnership with the Health and Social Care Partnership and other funders to support the GEWA Board, however at the end of February 2024, the Board

had intimated that it had applied to liquidate the organisation and the charity was subsequently dissolved in March 2024;

- (3) of a scoping exercise undertaken to better understand the challenges and demands on existing front line service provision for women in the North East sector and across the city, as detailed in the report;
- (4) that the Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Strategic Partnership on 13th February 2024 had agreed to withdraw the Sector Partnerships from its Governance Framework and as a result, it was proposed that this committee assumed the role of the approving body for sector awards from the GCF 2023-26; and
- (5) that to deliver the outcomes that GEWA had previously delivered, it was proposed that
 - (a) the Daisy Project be granted £14,116 of GCF funding in 2024/25 and £48,392 in 2025/26 to fund an Independent Domestic Abuse Advocacy (IDAA) worker for 21 hours per week and sessional workers for 30 hours per week, as well as a small contribution towards operational costs to deliver an IDAA outreach service in the North East sector, providing high quality, high impact support for women struggling to overcome immediate and long term impact of domestic abuse, as detailed in the report; and
 - (b) Glasgow Women's Aid be granted £4,000 of GCF funding in 2024/25 towards recruitment costs and £91,754 in 2025/26 to fund a full-time Children and Young Persons Outreach worker and 1.5 Women's Outreach/IDAA workers, as well as a small contribution towards operational costs which would increase the staff team allowing them to engage with more women and children/young people being referred from the North East sector, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

- (i) agreed that this committee be the approving body for sector awards from the Glasgow Communities Fund 2023-26; and
- (ii) approved interim funding to the Daisy Project and Glasgow Women's Aid from the Glasgow Communities Fund in 2024/25 and 2025/26, as detailed in the report.

City Development Plan 2 – Gate Check, Development Plan Scheme and proposed plan approved.

3 With reference to the minutes of the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee of 19th November 2024 (Print 5, page 54) when it was agreed to recommend approval of the Development Plan Scheme and thereafter its publication on the Council's website, Councillor Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use, presented a report on the matter, advising

- (1) that the current City Development Plan (CDP) had been adopted in 2017 and work had commenced in 2023 on producing CDP2 which was anticipated to be adopted in 2027, depending on external factors;
- (2) that a new Planning Act introduced in 2019 altered the position on many aspects of the various planning procedures including the preparation of a new CDP and the Scottish Government had set out the requirements for Local Development Plans, as detailed in the report;
- (3) that this committee on 6th June 2024 (Print 2, page 41) had approved the CDP2 Evidence Report and the Report of Engagement and their submission to Scottish Ministers for the Gatecheck process and the Gateway Decision by the Directorate for Planning and Environmental Appeals on 19th September 2024 had requested that the Reporter be provided with further information and clarification on a number of matters;
- (4) that the Council was required to publish an annual Development Plan Scheme to ensure that communities and stakeholders were aware of the process and a storymap version had been created to sit as a live, visual document that could form the basis for future communication and interaction with the plan process;
- (5) of the key stages in the Development Plan process;
- (6) that the timetable for the production of the CDP2 had been amended to reflect the additional work and additional edits required to update the Development Plan Scheme for 2024, as detailed in the report;
- (7) that as part of the preparatory stages for the development plan, a Call for Ideas and Sites had commenced from 2nd September to 11th November 2024 to inform the contents of the CDP2 and a range of activities had been completed to publicise the launch; and
- (8) that there were a number of policy areas where decisions would be required as to the final policy content of the CDP2 and these would be made taking into account the Evidence Report, following the Gatecheck process, the Call for Ideas and Sites, ongoing collaboration working with stakeholders in line with the Development Plan Scheme Participation Statement and through discussion with the City Development Plan Working Group.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the report and the updated Development Plan Scheme for 2024;
- (b) agreed that officers would provide further information to Scottish Ministers for the Evidence Report, as requested; and
- (c) approved the updated 2024 Development Plan Scheme for publication on the Council's website.

Human rights due diligence in procurement approved.

4 With reference to the minutes of the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee of 14th November 2024 (Print 1, page 24) agreeing to recommend approval of the actions to be taken as part of the human rights due diligence process in the procurement of public contracts to be awarded by the Council, there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the matter, advising

- (1) that the Council on 28th March 2024 (Print 1, page 24) had approved a motion in relation to Solidarity with Palestine and since then, officers within Legal Services and the Corporate Procurement Unit (CPU) had carried out work to determine what measures could lawfully be taken in order to respond to the terms of the motion in relation to the Council's procurement practices;
- (2) that the initial assessment of currently procured Council contracts had found that the Council did not have a currently procured contract with any of the organisations shown on the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights' database of business enterprises in relation to the Occupied Palestinian Territories but that it was intended to maintain dialogue with the Scottish Government regarding the organisations listed on the database and to monitor any changes to the list;
- (3) of the relevant legislation and statutory guidance applicable to the Council when making procurement decisions in relation to the potential exclusion of bidders or termination of contracts, as detailed in the report; and
- (4) that to enable the Council to obtain evidence of best practice in relation to human rights, it was entitled to ask questions and request information from potential bidders about their conduct regarding human rights and on that basis the CPU and the Health and Social Care Partnership's Commissioning Team were developing a Professional Integrity Certificate which bidders applying for the award of a Council contract would be required to complete, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved the

- (i) adaptation of a Professional Integrity Certificate to include assurances that bidders for Council procured contracts
 - (A) did not exploit assets in the Occupied Palestinian Territories or any other illegal settlement in the world;
 - (B) complied with all international humanitarian obligations in accordance with international law; and
 - (C) gave similar assurances regarding their supply chain; and
 - (ii) issue of the Professional Integrity Certificate to all existing suppliers with whom the Council had a procured contract; and
- (b) agreed that the Council's Corporate Procurement Unit and the Health and Social Care Partnership's Commissioning Team
- (i) continued to follow the Scottish Government's Scottish Procurement Policy Note 4/2014 guidance, as detailed in the report; and
 - (ii) maintained dialogue with the Scottish Government regarding the organisations listed on the UN database of business enterprises operating in the Occupied Palestinian Territories and monitor any changes to the list.

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 16th January 2025.

City Administration Committee.

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

Apologies: Christina Cannon and Cecilia O'Lone.

Attending: E Rodger (Clerk); S Millar, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; G Gilliespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; and P Togher, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Citizens Theatre Redevelopment Project (Ward 8) – Release of funding approved.

1 With reference to the minutes of 20th June 2024 (Print 3, page 84) approving, in principle an additional £2m of grant funding to the Citizens Theatre (Ward 8) towards its redevelopment project, in addition to the £6m already accounted for in the Council's capital planning, subject to other funders also contributing additional capital, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the proposed release of the monies, advising that

- (1) the Citizens Theatre was a category B listed building owned by the Council and leased to the Citizens Theatre Ltd and the redevelopment and restoration of the building would secure it as an essential theatrical, creative and cultural hub for the city and local communities;
- (2) to protect the Council from the risk of providing the Citizens Theatre with an additional £2m of grant funding and the project still being unable to be completed, 2 conditions, as detailed in the report required to be met before the funding would be disbursed or released;
- (3) one of the conditions of the additional £2m of grant funding was that there would be a full funding package in place and the Scottish Government had

now made a commitment to fund an additional £8m for the redevelopment project which had closed the funding gap substantially;

- (4) the other condition in relation to the additional £2m of grant funding was that a commercial cost to completion was agreed between the contractor Kier and the Citizens Theatre Ltd, this had now been done and Kier continued to competently progress the work on site and all the works that formed part of the agreement had been completed, which would enable the Citizens Theatre Ltd to move into the building on the 20th January 2025;
- (5) that although the cost to completion had now been agreed, there was still a funding gap, however as the risk which the 2 additional conditions of the grant funding had been designed to mitigate against had now been extinguished, it was proposed that the £2m of additional funding to the Citizens Theatre Ltd now be disbursed; and
- (6) the responsibility for filling the remaining funding gap rests with the Citizens Theatre Ltd, however officers would continue to assist them in their efforts to fill the remaining funding gap and make good on the commercial agreement that had been established with Keir.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the progress on the redevelopment of the project; and
- (b) approved the disbursement of the additional £2m grant funding, as detailed in the report.

Exclusion of public.

2 The committee, resolved in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public for the discussion on item 3 on the agenda as exempt information, as defined in paragraph 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Adjournment.

3 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the committee agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1100 hours until 1110 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

4 The meeting resumed at 1125 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present: Susan Aitken (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Richard Bell, Jill Brown, Allan Casey, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Laura Doherty (substitute for Christina Cannon), Greg Hepburn, Ruairi Kelly,

Frank McAveety, Elaine McDougall, Anne McTaggart, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Robert Mooney, Jill Pidgeon, George Redmond, Lana Reid-McConnell, Soryia Siddique, Kieran Turner (substitute for Cecilia O'Lone) and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Christina Cannon and Cecilia O'Lone.

Attending: E Rodger (Clerk); S Millar, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; G Gilliespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; and K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth.

Financial donation – Acceptance approved.

5 There was submitted a report by the Director of Regional Economic Growth regarding the proposed acceptance of a financial donation to the Council, advising

- (1) of a proposed financial donation and the conditions of the donation; and
- (2) of the next steps which included the Community Empowerment team designing a programme of activity to maximise the use of the funding.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the background to the donation being offered and the conditions around which it was to be used; and
- (b) agreed to accept the donation, as detailed in the report.

Adjournment.

6 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the committee agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1210 hours until 1220 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

7 The meeting resumed at 1220 hours, being open to public viewing and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present: Susan Aitken (Chair), Richard Bell, Jill Brown, Allan Casey, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Laura Doherty (substitute for Christina Cannon), Greg Hepburn, Ruairi Kelly, Thomas Kerr, Frank McAveety, Elaine McDougall, Anne McTaggart, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Robert Mooney, Jill Pidgeon, George Redmond, Lana

Reid-McConnell, Soryia Siddique, Kieran Turner (substitute for Cecilia O'Lone) and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Saqib Ahmed, Christina Cannon and Cecilia O'Lone.

Attending: E Rodger (Clerk); S Millar, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; G Gilliespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; and K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth.

Changes to committees – Motion approved.

8 In terms of Standing Order No 4, as a matter of urgency and the Scheme of Delegated Functions Section 1, paragraph 4(d), and having sought advice from the Director of Legal and Administration as to the provisions of the Committee Terms of Reference setting out the agreed membership of committees, Councillor Molyneux, seconded by Bailie Wardrop, moved that due to the announcement that Bailie Thomas Kerr had joined the Reform UK Party, he should be removed from the membership of the City Administration Committee and the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

After consideration the committee approved with immediate effect, the removal of Bailie Thomas Kerr from the City Administration Committee and the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 30th January 2025.

City Administration Committee.

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

Apology: Cecilia O'Lone.

Attending: E Rodger (Clerk); S Millar, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; G Gilliespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; and P Togher, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Visitor Levy Scheme for Glasgow – Formal consultation approved.

1 Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding a proposed Visitor Levy (VL) Scheme for Glasgow, advising

- (1) that the Scottish Parliament had passed the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill on 28th May 2024, with Royal Assent being received on 5th July 2024, and this gave Councils the legal power to introduce a VL Scheme with the guidance to support the implementation of the Act having been developed by Visit Scotland and published in October 2024;
- (2) that the VL was charged on the purchase of overnight accommodation at a percentage rate set by the local authority and the levy applied to hotels, hostels, guest houses, bed and breakfasts, self-catering accommodation, caravan and campsites, and would not apply to gypsy and traveller sites, neither could it be charged for accommodation in a vehicle or on board a vessel that was undertaking a journey involving one or more overnight stops;
- (3) that there was a specified timeline of activities to be carried out when establishing a VL Scheme and it had been recommended that local authorities conducted some early informal engagement and following an initial meeting with officers of the Council and Glasgow Life, Visit Scotland and key

stakeholders from the hospitality sector and businesses, a working group had been established to carry out the co-design and consultation process;

- (4) of the findings of the informal consultation;
- (5) that formal consultation was required for the introduction of a VL scheme which should last for 12 weeks and a local authority must prepare and publicise an outline of the scheme, a statement of the scheme objectives and an assessment of the impact of the proposals, then following the consultation, a local authority must prepare and publicise a report which summarises the consultation responses, states whether or not the authority intends to proceed with a scheme and sets out the reasons for whether or not it intends to proceed;
- (6) that if a VL scheme for Glasgow was approved, following consultation, there would be a minimum 18-month implementation period after the date on which the local authority published the report outlining the scheme, Scottish Ministers would also need to be notified and a Visitor Levy Forum must be established within 6-months of the formal public announcement of the decision to introduce the levy, businesses would then be notified of their liability to pay the new levy;
- (7) of the potential revenue from a VL scheme in Glasgow and of the administration costs to support the successful start-up and delivery of the scheme;
- (8) that accommodation providers had raised concerns about the economic impact of the VL scheme, however at this stage there was no evidence to suggest that the introduction of a VL in Glasgow would have an adverse effect on visitor numbers; and
- (9) of the proposed VL Scheme for Glasgow, which could be subject to change after the proposed consultation stage.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) agreed to proceed to formal consultation for the introduction of a Visitor Levy Scheme for Glasgow.

Third Sector – Capacity Building and Participation Support programme – Appointment of provider etc approved.

2 Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion presented a report regarding the appointment of a provider to enhance the Third Sector preventative and early help offer to families and to tackle childhood poverty with the city, advising

- (1) that in 2013, the Scottish Government had established 'Everyone's Children' to ensure that Getting it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC) adopt and contribute to national and local policies as well as to network and share views with funding from Scottish Government having acknowledged the need for a whole system approach, capacity to implement best practice and to ensure that the Third Sector were partners in delivering better outcomes for children, young people, and their families;
- (2) that In Glasgow, funding from the Scottish Government had facilitated the development of a comprehensive network with an established Citywide Third Sector Forum governed by a Steering Group and a number of sub-groups that aligned to the Children's Services Planning Structure and key policies and priorities such as Family Support, Early Learning, Mental Health, Childcare as well as Child Protection, however funding to support this approach had now ended;
- (3) that the involvement of the Third Sector was critical in developing a single system of support for children and families, in line with GIRFEC and feedback from partners in the Third Sector had suggested that some organisations found it difficult to engage in development opportunities due to limited capacity and infrastructure, therefore it was necessary to support these organisations to fully participate in transformational change opportunities regardless of their size;
- (4) that the Council was looking to commission a partner to operate citywide, to lead on Third Sector engagement into the Child Poverty Programme, the preventative strategy, the delivery of the Local Outcome Improvement Plan and respond to the changes required, as detailed in the report;
- (5) that developing the capacity of universal services to identify whole family wellbeing and needs at an earlier stage would require a shift in the Third Sector capacity and practice and the additional and supplementary funding would need to address complex, legacy, and challenging fragmented arrangements, therefore the task would be demanding and complex for the successful provider, requiring ongoing system and city support to ensure there was both progress and impact for families;
- (6) of the key role, expected outcomes, monitoring, reporting and tasks required of the Partner organisation in delivering the Capacity Building and Participation Support programme;
- (7) that in line with the governance procedures for the Whole Family Early Intervention Fund, funding for the Capacity Building and Participation Support programme had been agreed in principle, by the Children's Services Executive Group with the level of funding requested for the programme being £400,000 each year for 3 years, making a total of £1.2m and due to the scale of the task, the challenge at stake and the need for capacity to ensure the reform of the children's system it was recognised that due to the scale of the reform sought, it would be unable to be secured in 1 year, as detailed in the report;

- (8) that to demonstrate fairness and transparency all appropriate organisations capable of delivering the Capacity Building and Participation Support programme were contacted, and issued with the criteria and application forms and a Board comprising of 3 senior Council officers had assessed and scored each application and the successful applicant was the Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector (GCVS); and
- (9) that the proposed appointment of the GCVS as the provider would strengthen the interface and partnership between the Third Sector and the wider preventative system, consequently developing further need for early help, early intervention and where possible prevention and to strengthen and develop the progress made in the city, GCVS would enhance its offer to the network of Third Sector and city providers, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved
 - (i) additional funding to enhance the alignment of the Third Sector with the aspirations of the Council and the reform agenda across child poverty and prevention; and
 - (ii) the award to Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector to deliver the Third Sector Future Change Capacity on the outcome of the commissioning process; and
- (b) noted
 - (i) the funding allocation over the next 3 years and the associated tasks and functions;
 - (ii) the alignment with the Child Poverty and Whole Family Wellbeing Fund;
 - (iii) that the additional funding would be allocated from the expanded Whole Family Early Intervention Fund;
 - (iv) that the first draft of the Community Planning Performance Framework would include the outcome of the Child Poverty programme which would be submitted to the Strategic Community Planning Partnership in March 2025; and
 - (v) that updates would be reported regularly to Area Partnerships and that specific updates on this work would be reported annually to this committee.

UK Shared Prosperity Fund extension – Allocation of funding approved – Declaration of interest.

3 With reference to the minutes of 18th August 2022 (Print 2, page 283) approving the proposals for the Glasgow component of the Glasgow City Region UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) Investment Plan, Councillor Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition, presented a report regarding the extension of the UKSPF, advising

- (1) that Glasgow had been allocated £27.2m of funding from the current UKSPF 3-year programme budget which runs until 31st March 2025 and in September 2024, the UK Government had confirmed that any budget underspend by the conclusion date of the programme must be returned to the HM Treasury;
- (2) that the UK Government's Autumn budget had agreed to commit to a 1-year extension of the current UKSPF programme, however the financial commitment of £900m for the 1-year extension was a 40% reduction on the £1.5b budget allocation for the 2024/25 UKSPF budget;
- (3) that the UK Government had not clarified the regional and local authority allocations for the 2025/26 UKSPF programme until 13th December 2024, part of the delay had been due to a change in the allocation methodology used by the UK Government, as detailed in the report;
- (4) that whilst the Scottish allocation remained at 8.42% of the total UKSPF budget, not all local authorities allocations were reduced by an equivalent amount, which was initially indicated to be 40% and following the application of the revised methodology, Glasgow was identified as the only 1 of the 6 Scottish local authorities to fall within the most deprived areas;
- (5) that the UK Government had confirmed that Glasgow's UKSPF allocation for 2025/26 was £11,834,805, a 20% reduction from the Year 3 allocation of £15,957,694 and whilst the 12-month extension to the UKSPF was welcomed, it does not allow for the efficient development and delivery of new projects;
- (6) that for the extension year, an exercise had been undertaken to consider projects currently funded from the current UKSPF programme, their performance to date and their ability to continue to deliver with a reduced budget over the next 12 months, however a number of projects funded in 2024/25 were not intended to be continued in 2025/26;
- (7) that for the current programme, the UK Government had insisted on a minimum allocation for capital expenditure and Glasgow City Region were proposing that the total regional capital allocation be split proportionately across all 8 City Region local authorities at 23.33% of their individual allocations, therefore Glasgow would have a minimum of £2,761,060 to invest in its capital programmes; and

- (8) of the proposed projects, organisations and associated budget for funding from the UKSPF for 2025/26, taking into account the net 25% cut in the allocation of funding, all of which would commence on 1st April 2025 and run for 12 months.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) approved the approach and budgets proposed for the UKSPF programme for 2025/26, as detailed in the report.

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

Cathkin Braes Country Park Mountain Bike trails (Wards 1 and 2) – Provision and maintenance of cycling infrastructure - ENV 2/IPG12 funding approved.

4 Councillor Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use, presented a report regarding the use of City Plan ENV 2/IPG12 funds for the provision and maintenance of a new cycling infrastructure at Cathkin Braes Country Park Mountain Bike trails (Wards 1 and 2), advising

- (1) that Cathkin Braes Country Park Mountain Bike trails consisted of a world class (UCI standard) series of red, black and blue trails, an empty level pump track, a skills area and car park, however the absence of any built infrastructure to support club and community use of the trails was recognised as being missing, which if addressed, would significantly enhance the Mountain Bike trails experience for riders and spectators;
- (2) that the Scottish Cycling Facilities Fund, administered by **sportscotland** had provided an opportunity to secure external capital funding to enhance the city's cycling infrastructure and the proposed addition of a WC and storage facilities at Cathkin Braes Country Park Mountain Bike trails had been identified by Glasgow Life, Cycling Scotland and **sportscotland** as a priority to enhance the customer experience and further develop its use by clubs and schools;
- (3) of the elements of the 1st phase of proposed works, it was anticipated that building costs associated with using City Building Glasgow as the main contractor would be £118,800, and once a tender price was received from and agreed with City Building Contracts, it was proposed that there be a drawn-down of ENV2 capital funding and if the tender price was lower than the pre-tender estimate, any of the remaining ENV2 funding would be re-allocated by the Council to other outdoor sport projects; and
- (4) that **sportscotland** had agreed to contribute £59,400 of funding from the Scottish Cycling Facilities Fund, which was 50% of the estimated capital cost of the project and it was proposed that the remaining capital cost £59,400 for

the project be met from the Outdoor Sport ENV2 funds and that £14,850 also be met from ENV2 funding to meet the revenue costs for the maintenance of the facilities for a number of years.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the allocation of £59,400 of funding from the Scottish Cycling Facilities Fund for the project; and
- (b) approved the allocation of £74,250 (capital and revenue combined) of ENV2 Outdoor Sports Fund for the provision and maintenance of a cycling infrastructure at Cathkin Braes Country Park Mountain Bike trails.

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

Hybrid meeting, 28th January 2025.

Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee.

Present: Martha Wardrop (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Eva Bolander, Anthony Carroll, John Carson, Allan Casey, Laura Doherty, Ann Jenkins, Paul Leinster, Robert Mooney, Linda Pike and Kieran Turner.

Also present: Ruairi Kelly and Angus Millar.

Apology: Graham Campbell.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); B Wilson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and C Kopanou (for the Director of Regional Economic Growth).

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 19th November 2024.

After consideration, the committee noted

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

Proposed work programme approved etc.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability detailing a list of planned reports for this committee's proposed work programme for the period from January to June 2025.

After consideration, the committee

- (1) approved the work programme for January to June 2025, as detailed in the report;
- (2) agreed that a report on the City Development Plan 2, National Planning Framework 4 and Developing Local Policy would be included in the workplan for this committee's March 2025 meeting and that a report on Co-operative Economy would also be included in the workplan; and

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

Glasgow Planning Improvement Plan etc noted.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Glasgow Planning Improvement Plan (GPIP), advising that

- (1) the Council's Planning Service was currently undergoing a period of change and transformation due to a number of key factors, as well as a surge of investment interest in the city which coincided with significant resource constraints within the Planning Service and the introduction of new expectations and duties arising from national planning reform;
- (2) the Planning Performance Framework 2012-23 had been replaced by the National Planning Improvement Framework (NPIF) which was developed by the Improvement Service and implemented incrementally in 3 separate cohorts throughout 2024/25, with the Council's Planning Service having taken part in the first cohort for the new NPIF and as part of this, had undertaken a performance assessment and identified areas for improvement focused on the attributes of a highly performing planning authority as outlined by the Improvement Service;
- (3) a structured 3-year GPIP had been developed that identified key improvements to Glasgow's Planning Service and outlined timescales for implementing them;
- (4) the actions identified in Glasgow's NPIF had been incorporated into the more comprehensive GPIP and would be taken forward and monitored as part of this;
- (5) a range of methods had been used to identify and define areas of improvement and an online survey was undertaken with key customers of Glasgow's Planning Service in Spring 2024 to understand their views of the Planning Service and what areas of the planning application process required attention;
- (6) an online staff survey was undertaken in April 2024 to gather the opinions of Planning Service staff on a wider range of topics, from training and development to service delivery and staff satisfaction as well as staff's perception of the Planning Service and an analysis of these surveys provided the basis for 2 staff engagement days which took place in May and June 2024 to discuss survey results in more detail and to identify areas and themes for improvement actions; and
- (7) the GPIP was a 3-year plan that was being rolled out from January 2025, that would be shared and implemented in collaboration with services across the Council and would be presented to the Chamber of Commerce's Glasgow

Development Forum in February 2025, engagement with a range of internal and external stakeholders, community councils and customers would be undertaken as the planned improvements emerged.

After consideration and having heard a presentation by Ms Julia Lapthorn, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee noted

- (a) the presentation;
- (b) the preparation of the Glasgow Planning Improvement Plan; and
- (c) that an annual report on the Glasgow Planning Improvement Plan would be submitted to this committee.

Cost of Living Crisis update noted etc.

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

- (1) the Glasgow City Region (GCR) Intelligence Hub (IH) had conducted research into the impacts of the Cost of Living Crisis since the issue became prevalent in 2022 which had culminated in the IH producing numerous briefings for the GCR in response to national policy developments, as well as a bespoke piece of research produced for the Scottish Cities Alliance;
- (2) the energy price cap was a mechanism used by Ofgem to limit the amount that energy suppliers could charge customers annually, with reviews every 3 months and according to the consultancy Cornwall Insight, high energy prices were likely to be the new normal due to continuous geopolitical risks in the Middle East and the war in Ukraine;
- (3) evidence from the Resolution Foundation had shown that individuals with relatively low levels of earnings were disproportionately affected by the increase in the price of essential goods, such as energy and that less energy efficient heating systems and poorer housing conditions contributed to these individuals spending a higher proportion of their income on energy than those earning the median-wage or above;
- (4) Glasgow had the highest share of pre-1918 housing stock, with this type of housing often likely to be less energy-efficient, have poorer insulation and outdated heating systems, leading to higher energy consumption and costs and this demonstrated the need to reduce fuel poverty by driving retrofit initiatives;
- (5) UK rents had increased by 3.9% in the 12 months to October 2024, which was down from 9.1% a year ago, the lowest growth rate for over 3 years since August 2021 and the first time that earnings were rising faster than rents since

September 2021 and annual rental growth in Glasgow had also slowed down, more than the 2.9% UK rate; and

- (6) that the pressure felt by households by the continued rise in the Cost of Living remained and this was likely to drag people into poverty, resulting in increased pressure and costs on the delivery of Council services.

After consideration, the committee noted

- (a) the report; and
- (b) that further updates would be provided on the Glasgow City Region Intelligence Hub's work on the Cost of Living Crisis.

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

Hybrid meeting, 30th January 2025.

Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee.

Present: Graham Campbell (Chair), Susan Aitken, Blair Anderson, Stephen Curran, Stephen Dornan, Zen Ghani, Fiona Higgins, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Lilith Johnstone, Malcolm Mitchell, Jill Pidgeon and Catherine Vallis.

Also present: Christina Cannon.

Apology: Elaine Gallagher.

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

International Education and Turing funding – Update noted.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding the developments within International Education, Turing grant funding and the impact for learners in Glasgow, advising

- (1) that Glasgow's International Education had been an integral part of Education Services, and had enhanced the provision of international education across Glasgow establishments for several years;
- (2) that a strategic plan had been developed which aligned all aspects of international education and consisted of 4 Grand Challenges which reflected the City Business Plan and Education Services' 'All Learners, All Achieving' document;
- (3) that the Turing Scheme was established in early 2021 as the UK government's initiative to support international education and training for students and learners following the UK's exit from the European Union, and was aimed at promoting global educational opportunities and enabling students from UK institutions to participate in study and work placements abroad; and
- (4) of the Turing funding that had been allocated to Education Services for 2024/25 and the anticipated results of what this funding would achieve for Glasgow schools, and the results that had been achieved since August 2024, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, and having heard presentations by pupils and head teachers from St Bernard's Primary School and St Paul's High School regarding their own

experiences in relation to international education, the committee noted the report.

Digital Learning Strategy – Update noted – Instruction to Executive Director of Education Services.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding an update on Education Services' Digital Learning Strategy, advising of the

- (1) background to the Connected Learning iPad 1:1 Programme, which was launched by the Council in 2017, and at the time was the largest single deployment in Europe, which had provided every P5 to S6 pupil in a Glasgow school with an individual iPad, and that the initiative had set out to ensure all learners had equal access to digital learning tools, and fostered an inclusive and equitable learning environment;
- (2) impact and progress made in the Council's Apple Regional Training Centre, which had been established in 2017, and of the feedback that had been received through the issuing of practitioner, family and learner questionnaires which had been circulated in January 2024;
- (3) progress that the programme had made to the delivery of pedagogical approaches which allowed for personalised and inclusive learning experiences for all pupils;
- (4) progress the Digital Learning team had made in relation to the developments of Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools which had resulted in the development of Education Services' AI policy which had been circulated to all establishments and senior leaders; and
- (5) ongoing work in relation to the promotion of digital safety and cyber security, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, and having heard presentations by pupils and head teachers from Langfaulds Primary School and St Andrew's Secondary School regarding their own experiences in respect of digital learning, the committee

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) instructed the Executive Director of Education Services to present further updates to this committee when required.

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

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

- (1) advising that Council Standing Order No 32 (8) required that an annual assessment of the work of each City Policy Committee 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;
- (2) highlighting
 - (a) that the committee's work programme had been agreed on 7th March 2024 (Print 7, page 55) and that all members had been invited to input into the plan;
 - (b) that throughout January to December 2024 the Committee discussed a wide range of reports, listed in an Appendix to the report, and had heard presentations from a range of stakeholders including members of the Directorate, Senior Education Officers, Quality Improvement Officers, Psychological Services, Health and Social Care Partnership colleagues and children and young people;
 - (c) the effectiveness of the committee that had worked constructively on a cross-party basis, demonstrating a wide understanding of the business of the committee in the past 12 months;
 - (d) of engagement events that had been organised for elected members; and
 - (e) that equalities updates were brought to every second meeting of the committee; and
- (3) detailing in the appendices to the report, the reports presented to committee from January to December 2024 and the proposed workplan for 2025.

After consideration, the committee

- (i) noted the Annual Assessment report and the reports that had been submitted to committee during 2024; and
- (ii) discussed and proposed issues/topics for consideration in the workplan for 2025.

ENVIRONMENT AND LIVEABLE NEIGHBOURHOODS CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 4th February 2025.

Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee.

Present: Elaine McSporran (Chair), Ken Andrew (substitute for Paul McCabe), Abdul Bostani, Holly Bruce, Paul Carey, Anthony Carroll, John Carson, Stephen Curran, Stephen Docherty, Allan Gow, Greg Hepburn, Kevin Lalley and Franny Scally.

Also present: Laura Doherty and Angus Millar.

Apology: Paul McCabe.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); J O'Hagan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and I Campsie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Committee workplan from January to June 2025 approved.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability detailing a list of planned reports for the workplan for the period from January to June 2025.

After consideration, the committee approved the workplan.

Sustainable transport infrastructure and initiatives delivery - Update noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 30th January 2024 (Print 6, page 51) noting an update regrading various active travel infrastructure projects and initiatives being delivered in 2023/24, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update regarding the matter in relation to 2024/25, advising

- (1) that the Glasgow Transport Strategy and the associated Active Travel Strategy committed this authority to create and deliver a comprehensive and cohesive city network of active travel routes as well as prioritising public transport and that to achieve these commitments, officers across the Council were progressing a wide variety of projects and initiatives;
- (2) that the Active Travel Strategy set out the commitment to develop a city network of active travel routes and that this work had been further enhanced by the publication of a Final Delivery Plan for the city network in April 2023, which set out the indicative phasing and a short-term pipeline of schemes that

aimed to attain the city's goal to deliver a city network of 270 km of segregated cycle infrastructure by 2030;

- (3) that the Final Delivery Plan had been developed to consider route priority, deliverability, connectivity with key attractors and importantly phasing to allow an expanding 'joined' up network;
- (4) of the current workstreams that contributed to the delivery of the network and other significant active or sustainable transport workstreams, as detailed in the report;
- (5) of the status of the extensive programme and breadth of infrastructure works currently being progressed; and
- (6) of the progress made on cycle hire, cycle storage contract provisions and behaviour change campaigns to promote active travel as part of a sustainable travel hierarchy.

Resource and Recycling Strategy 2020-30 - Update noted.

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

- (1) that during 2024, the resource and cycling industry had continued to undergo significant policy change and providing an update on some of the main policies, as detailed in the report;
- (2) that the Circular Economy Bill had been passed by the Scottish Parliament in June 2024, which was followed by the publication of the Circular Economy and Waste Route Map to 2030 in December 2024, with key aspects of the legislation and guidance detailed in the report;
- (3) of the impact on local authorities of the Scottish Environment Protection Agency guidance on the management of persistent organic pollutants and of the Extended Producer Responsibility for packaging waste, which would be implemented in 2025;
- (4) of other pending policy changes which would impact on how waste was managed, as detailed in the report, and highlighting that like many other business sectors, the resource and recycling industry had a challenging year, with volatile commodity markets and difficulties encountered with waste re-processor contracts as they sought to increase costs due to the financial climate while ensuring only high-quality recyclables were received;
- (5) of the Resource and Recycling Strategy 2020-30 update for 2024 and of the strategic priorities for 2025, as detailed in the report; and

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

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

Hybrid meeting, 21st January 2025.

Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee.

Present: Lana Reid-McConnell (Chair), Alexander Belic, Declan Blench, Graham Campbell (substitute for Abdul Bostani), Christina Cannon, Stephen Docherty, Rashid Hussain, Matt Kerr, Paul Leinster (substitute for Chris Cunningham), Malcolm Mitchell and Robert Mooney.

Apologies: Blair Anderson, Abdul Bostani and Chris Cunningham.

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

Committee workplan January to June 2025 approved.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability detailing a list of planned reports for the proposed workplan for the period from January to June 2025.

After consideration, the committee approved the workplan, as detailed in the report.

Carbon Neutral Cities Alliance Annual General Meeting – Update and presentation noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report, together with a presentation by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Council's membership of the Carbon Neutral Cities Alliance (CNCA) and reflection from the 2024 Annual General Meeting, advising

- (1) that the CNCA was a collaboration of leading global cities working to achieve carbon neutrality in the next 10-20 years and that the mission of the CNCA was to mobilise transformative climate action in cities in order to achieve prosperity, social equity, resilience and better quality of life for all on a thriving planet;
- (2) of the 7 key strategic priorities of the CNCA which aligned well with the strategic priorities and climate ambitions of the Council, as detailed in the report;
- (3) that the Council had been nominated to join the CNCA in 2020 by New York City and following a successful interview had been invited to become a member with membership to the CNCA costing \$10,000 annually;

- (4) that due to the pandemic, international travel was severely restricted, which resulted in the 2021 AGM being held online and the 2022 AGM being split into 3 meetings which were hosted in Central Europe, America and Australia and the 2023 meeting was hosted by Toronto;
- (5) of the benefits of membership of the CNCA together with details of the 2024 AGM, as detailed in the report; and
- (6) that in 2023, there had been a very strong desire from the CNCA to host the 2024 AGM in Glasgow, however that had been put on hold with Stockholm taking that year to allow Glasgow to host in the year of its 850th anniversary with plans having already commenced in preparation for hosting the 2025 AGM in Glasgow, June 2025.

Thriving Cities Initiative – Update and presentation noted.

3 With reference to the minutes of 8th August 2023 (Print 3, page 68), noting an update on the Thriving Cities Initiative (TCI), there was submitted and noted a report together with a presentation by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, advising

- (1) that the TCI project had run from January 2022 to December 2024 with the delivery of the project being led by the Council with key strategic partners involved and a collaborative approach had been prioritised with an emphasis on shared learning and development of projects through workshop style sessions; and
- (2) of the progress and delivery of the TCI which had been grouped into 3 workstreams, together with the lessons learned and the next steps, as detailed in the report.

WELLBEING, EQUALITIES, COMMUNITIES, CULTURE AND ENGAGEMENT CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 23rd January 2025.

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

Present: Linda Pike (Chair), Holly Bruce, John Carson, Annette Christie, Sean Ferguson (substitute for Stephen Dornan), Sharon Greer, Fiona Higgins, Seonad Hoy, Angus Millar, Robert Mooney, Margaret Morgan, Eva Murray and Roza Salih.

Apology: Stephen Dornan.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); M Booth, Head of Policy and Corporate Governance; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; and A Ward (for the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life).

Committee work programme – January-November 2025 noted.

1 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive detailing a list of planned reports for the proposed workplan for the period from January to November 2025.

After consideration, the committee

- (1) noted the workplan, as detailed in the report; and
- (2) agreed to add the Equalities Outcomes report 2025-2029 to the workplan for consideration at a future meeting.

Community Learning and Development Strategic Plan 2024-27 - Reference to Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Executive Group.

2 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life regarding the draft Community Learning and Development (CLD) Strategic Plan 2024-27,

- (1) advising
 - (a) of the legal requirements for CLD to ensure Glasgow's compliance with the requirements for Community Learning and Development (Scotland) Regulations 2013 that placed a duty on local authorities to produce a 3-year plan for the effective delivery of CLD and where plans must engage with participants to shape delivery and take account of priorities and needs within the local authority;
 - (b) that Glasgow Life was contracted by the Council to undertake the education authority lead role in regard to meeting Glasgow's CLD

legislative duties, and that Glasgow Life chaired the Glasgow CLD Strategic Partnership (GCLDSP), which was the body overseeing the production and development of CLD in the city;

- (c) that the Glasgow CLD Strategic Plan 2024-27 built on the strengths of the 2021-24 plan and set out objectives to empower all people to make positive changes in their lives and in their communities, through learning, personal development and active citizenship;
 - (d) of the 6 priorities that had been identified following a review of the 2021-24 plan's priorities and strengths, as detailed in the report;
 - (e) of the key areas of focus of the Glasgow Strategic CLD Plan 2021-24 and the 15 priority commitments over the lifespan of the Plan, as outlined in the plan appended to the report;
 - (f) that the GCLDSP had taken cognisance of the refreshed priorities of the Glasgow Community Plan, the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP), and prioritised Family Poverty and Early Intervention with families with children 0-5 years; and
 - (g) that CLD partners were committed to working in a multi-agency, co-ordinated way to maximise resources within those communities and use the local data to do that accurately; and
- (2) detailing in the appendix to the report, the Glasgow CLD Strategic Plan 2024-27.

After consideration, the committee

- (i) noted the work carried out to produce the Glasgow CLD Strategic Plan 2024-27; and
- (ii) referred the Glasgow CLD Strategic Plan 2024-27 to the Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Executive Group for approval.

CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 16th January 2025.

Contracts and Property Committee.

Present: Franny Scally (Chair), Ken Andrew, Stephen Curran, Stephen Docherty (substitute for Philip Braat), Laura Doherty, Seonad Hoy, Dan Hutchison, Ruairi Kelly, Kevin Lalley, Elaine McSporran, and Thomas Rannachan.

Also present: Robert Mooney.

Apology: Philip Braat.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); M Fitzpatrick (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D McEwan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Response to questions noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing a response to the questions raised at the meeting of this committee on 28th November 2024.

Sites at Lochend Road and Baldragon Road (Ward 21) – Excambion of land approved, in principle – Instruction to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for an excambion of sites at Lochend Road and Baldragon Road (Ward 21), advising that

- (1) the Council intended to acquire site 1, which was in the ownership of Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited, for the purpose of creating a water vole sanctuary;
- (2) Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited intended to acquire sites 2 and 3, which were in the ownership of the Council, for the purpose of developing the sites for a residential development of 45 units for social housing; and
- (3) The 3 subject sites were declared surplus on 16th October 2024 with no notes of interest having been received.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved, in principle, an excambion of the 3 subjects sites between the Council and Wheatley Homes Glasgow Limited, as detailed in the report;
- (b) authorised the Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP to negotiate terms and conditions of the excambion; and
- (c) noted that appropriate authority would be sought for approval of agreed terms and conditions.

Land at 37-49 Dumbarton Road (Ward 23) – Off-market disposal approved, in principle - Instruction to Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking approval for the off market disposal of land at 37-49 Dumbarton Road (Ward 23) to Hegarty Investment Company Limited, advising that

- (1) the proposed purchaser, Hegarty Investment Company Limited, who were the owner of the adjoining land, wished to acquire the subject site to develop a beer garden to use in connection with its existing public house;
- (2) Hegarty Investment Company Limited had requested the removal of 2 air right exceptions currently held by the Council, from its title and to enter into corrective conveyancing with the Council over the 2 air right exemptions; and
- (3) the subject site had been declared surplus on 5th July 2024, with no notes of interest having been received.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved, in principle, the off-market disposal of land at 37-49 Dumbarton Road to Hegarty Investment Company Limited;
- (b) instructed the Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP to negotiate the terms and conditions of the disposal; and
- (c) noted that appropriate authority would be sought for the approval of agreed terms and conditions.

Land at Springburn Road (Ward 22) – Off-market disposal approved, in principle – Instruction to Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for an off-market disposal of land at Springburn Road (Ward 22) to Lidl Great Britain Limited, advising

- (1) the proposed purchaser, Lidl Great Britain Limited, who was the owner of the adjoining land, wished to acquire the subject site to include in its proposed demolition and redevelopment of the existing unit; and
- (2) the subject site had been declared surplus on 19th November 2024, with no notes of interest having been received.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved, in principle, the off-market disposal to the adjoining owner, Lidl Great Britain Limited;
- (b) instructed the Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP to negotiate the terms and conditions of the disposal; and
- (c) noted that appropriate authority would be sought for the approval of agreed terms and conditions.

Residential accommodation at 115-117 Queen Margaret Drive (Ward 15) – Lease extension approved – Instruction to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding a proposed lease extension of residential accommodation at 115-117 Queen Margaret Drive (Ward 15),

- (1) advising that
 - (a) the property comprised of the lower ground, ground, first, second and third floors of a traditional sandstone tenement building;
 - (b) following the UK government's announcement in June 2023 to accelerate the UK asylum decision making process and to reduce the backlog of asylum claimants and the use of dispersed accommodation, the Council had declared a Housing Emergency in recognition of the unprecedented increase in demand for homelessness assistance; and
 - (c) the Council's lease of the subject premises had been due to expire in June 2013 but had continued on a tacit relocation until 2015 when the lease was formally extended to February 2025; and
- (2) detailing the provisionally agreed terms.

After consideration, the committee

- (i) noted the content of this report;
- (ii) approved the Council entering into a lease renewal/extension for the

hostel accommodation at 115-117 Queen Margaret Drive, on the terms detailed in the report, and

- (iii) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to conclude all other matters pertaining to the lease and to enter into necessary legal agreements on terms that were in the best interest of the Council.

Residential accommodation at 171 Wilton Street (Ward 11) – Lease approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

6 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the proposed lease of residential accommodation at 171 Wilton Street (Ward 11),

- (1) advising that
 - (a) the property comprised of a traditional stone built mid-terrace townhouse with accommodation over lower ground, ground, first and second floors, and was owned by Queens Cross Housing Association; and
 - (b) following the UK government's announcement in June 2023 to accelerate the UK asylum decision making process and to reduce the backlog of asylum claimants and the use of dispersed accommodation, the Council had declared a Housing Emergency in recognition of the unprecedented increase in demand for homelessness assistance; and
- (2) detailing the provisionally agreed terms.

After consideration, the committee

- (i) approved the Council entering into a lease for the accommodation at 171 Wilton Street on the terms as detailed in the report; and
- (ii) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to conclude all other matters pertaining to the lease and to enter into necessary legal agreements on terms that were in the best interest of the Council.

Supply and delivery of modular on-street bin hubs – Award of contract approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the supply and delivery of modular on-street bin hubs, advising that

- (1) the Council's budget for the supply and delivery of modular on-street bin hubs was £4.8m;
- (2) the contract would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability who would monitor the supplier's day to day operational performance, and would commence from January 2025 to September 2027; and
- (3) as part of the tender process, 6 suppliers had been invited to make a tender bid, and following an evaluation it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Broxap Limited.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the supply and delivery of modular on-street bin hubs to Broxap Limited at a contract value of £2,480,011.

Provision of courier services for prepared meals and related sundry products – Award of framework agreement approved.

8 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received to be appointed to the provision of courier services for prepared meals and related sundry products framework agreement, advising that

- (1) the Council's spend for the provision of courier services for prepared meals and related sundry products was £426,544;
- (2) the contract, to be utilised by Catering and Facilities Management was for a duration of 2 years with the option to extend for 2 periods of up to 12 months; and
- (3) following the open tender process, of the 8 suppliers who expressed an interest, 3 had submitted a bid and following an evaluation it was recommended the contract be awarded to Glasgow Taxis Limited.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of a framework agreement for the provision of courier services for prepared meals and related sundry products to Glasgow Taxis Limited at an estimated annual framework value of £426,249.

Provision of legal and procurement services relating to the Council's model for climate investment – Award of contract approved.

9 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of legal and procurement services relating to the Council's model for climate investment, advising that

- (1) the Council's budget for the provision of legal and procurement services relating to the Council's model for climate investment was £1m;

- (2) in order to meet the city's targets and address the climate emergency, the Council was seeking to appoint a consultant to provide specialist external legal and procurement support services to identify the most expedient and efficient route for Glasgow to deliver the Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy;
- (3) the contract, to be utilised by the Chief Executive's Department, was for a period of 2 years with the option to extend for 2 periods of up to 12 months; and
- (4) 11 suppliers on Lot 1b of the Crown Commercial Service's framework had been invited to bid, and following the evaluation of the 3 who had submitted a bid, it was recommended the contract be awarded to Brodies LLP.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the provision of legal and procurement services relating to the Council's model for climate investment to Brodies LLP.

CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 6th February 2025.

Contracts and Property Committee.

Present: Franny Scally (Chair), Ken Andrew, Stephen Curran, Laura Doherty, Sharon Greer (substitute for Philip Braat), Seonad Hoy, Dan Hutchison, Fyeza Ikhlaiq, Ruairi Kelly, Kevin Lalley, Elaine McSporran and Thomas Rannachan.

Apology: Philip Braat

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

Fostering Families and Adult Caring Households (Continuing Care and Aftercare) Services Framework – 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 Fostering Families and Adult Caring Households (Continuing Care and Aftercare) Services, advising that

- (1) the tender opportunity was advertised on Public Contracts Scotland on 27th August 2024 for an initial contract term of 3 years with an option to extend for a period of up to a further year, and would replace the current framework at its expiry on 31st March 2025;
- (2) the contract would be managed under the Social Work Services Contract Management Framework and the continuance of contractual arrangements would be subject to satisfactory service review outcomes being achieved; and
- (3) 10 bidders had submitted bids over the 5 Lots, and following an evaluation it was recommended that the contracts for Lots 1–4 be appointed to the providers detailed in the report, with Lot 5 remaining unfilled.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of a Ranked Framework Agreement for Fostering Families and Adult Caring Households (Continuing Care and Aftercare) Services for a period of 3 years from 1st April 2025 with an option to extend for a further year at an estimated framework value of £39.6m over the 4 years to:-

- (i) Lot 1 – Fostering Families:-
Barnardo's
The National Fostering Agency (Scotland) Ltd

The Adolescent & Children's Trust
Carevisions Fostering Ltd
Aberlour Child Care Trust
Fosterplus (Fostercare) Ltd
Foster Care Associates Scotland Ltd
Action For Children

- (ii) Lot 2 – Individual Fostering Family Support:-
The Adolescent & Children's Trust
Aberlour Child Care Trust
Barnardo's
The National Fostering Agency (Scotland) Ltd
Carevisions Fostering Ltd
Fosterplus (Fostercare) Ltd
Foster Care Associates Scotland Ltd
Action For Children
- (iii) Lot 3 - Adult caring households (Continuing Care and Aftercare):-
Barnardo's
The National Fostering Agency (Scotland) Ltd
Fosterplus (Fostercare) Ltd
Carevisions Fostering Ltd
Aberlour Child Care Trust
Foster Care Associates Scotland Ltd
The Adolescent & Children's Trust
Action For Children
- (iv) Lot 4 - Providers for Children and Young people with Complex Learning, Physical Disability and Mental Health Conditions:-
Carevisions Fostering Ltd
Quarriers
Fosterplus (Fostercare) Ltd
The National Fostering Agency (Scotland) Ltd
Aberlour Child Care Trust
Foster Care Associates Scotland Ltd
The Adolescent & Children's Trust

WAYfinder outreach services – Award of contracts approved.

2 There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership regarding tenders received for WAYfinder, outreach services for people at risk of, experiencing, or having experienced homelessness, advising that

- (1) a Contract Notice advertising the invitation to tender was published via the Public Contracts Scotland portal and UK Find a Tender service on 10th October 2024 using an open procedure for 6 lots;

- (2) the contract, which was for a period of an initial period of 4 years with an option to extend for a further period of up to 2 years and would commence on 19th May 2025, would be managed under the Social Work Services Contract Management Framework; and
- (3) 31 bids had been received for the 6 Lots and following evaluation it was recommended that the contracts be awarded to the providers detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contracts for a period of 4 years with an option to extend for a period of up to 2 years at an estimated value of £70.443m over the 6 Lots to:-

- (a) Lot 1 - Simon Community Scotland;
- (b) Lot 2 - Wheatley Care;
- (c) Lot 3 - Turning Point Scotland;
- (d) Lot 4 - The Salvation Army Trustee Company;
- (e) Lot 5 - Tied to providers delivering Lots 2-4; and
- (f) Lot 6:-
 - Action for Children
 - Aspire Housing and Personal Development Services Limited
 - Blue Triangle (Glasgow) Housing Association Limited
 - Carr Gomm
 - Crossreach (The Social Care Council of The Church of Scotland, operating as CrossReach)
 - Includem
 - Right There
 - Scottish Action for Mental Health
 - Simon Community Scotland
 - The Mungo Foundation
 - The Salvation Army Trustee Company
 - Turning Point Scotland
 - Wheatley Care

Egyptian Halls, 84-100 Union Street (Ward 10) – Investigation of the use of Compulsory Purchase Powers approved – Authority to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to investigate the use of Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) powers in respect of the Egyptian Halls, 84-100 Union Street (Ward 10), advising

- (1) that the subject site, detailed in an appendix to the report, was a category A-listed building, with the upper floors having been vacant and derelict for over 30 years and had featured in the Buildings at Risk Register since its inception in 1990, and that although scaffolding had been in place for over 15 years had not been used to facilitate repairs, conversion or maintenance;
- (2) that the current owners had gained consent for repair schemes during the early to mid-2000s, had a demolition application refused in 2011 and thereafter had gained planning permission and listed building consent for a hotel scheme in 2012, with none of the consented schemes having been delivered and there were no extant permissions in place;
- (3) of the continuing decline condition of the building which had been inspected by Building Standards in December 2024, and that continued decline in the overall building fabric would continue through a prolonged lack of occupation and ongoing maintenance;
- (4) that the Council had been approached by an interested party who wished to acquire the building with the intention of delivering a mixed-use repurposing proposal, and that the interested party had previously approached the owner of the building who had failed to progress the proposal; and
- (5) of the next steps in the process, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved the investigation of the use of CPO powers in respect of the Egyptian Halls, 84-100 Union Street together with approval to seek proposals for the repair, repurposing and future active reuse of the property; and
- (b) authorised
 - (i) the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to approve a development brief and selection and evaluation criteria for the development proposals including departures from the relevant CPO Framework where necessary or expedient, with the recommended proposal being reported to a further committee for approval; and
 - (ii) officers to appoint agents to act on the Council's behalf, if required.

Transactions approved in terms of Scheme of Delegated Functions noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability detailing those transactions approved, in terms of the Scheme of Delegated Functions, during the period from 1st October to 31st December 2024, as detailed in the appendices to the report.

Land at Allander Street (Ward 16) – Off-market disposal approved, in principle – Instruction to Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for an off-market disposal of land at Allander Street (Ward 16), advising that

- (1) the subject site, detailed in an appendix to the report, was now overgrown but had formerly contained tenement housing, and had been declared surplus in 2013, with no notes of interest having been received;
- (2) City Property (Glasgow) LLP had been instructed by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability – Property Asset Management on 23rd October 2024 to progress with the disposal of the subject to West of Scotland Housing Association Limited; and
- (3) West of Scotland Housing Association Limited proposed to develop the site to accommodate 33 houses for social rent, which comprised of 21 terraced houses and 12 cottage flats.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved, in principle, the off-market disposal of land at Allander Street to West of Scotland Housing Association Limited;
- (b) instructed the Managing Director, City Property (Glasgow) LLP to negotiate the terms and conditions of the disposal; and
- (c) noted that appropriate authority would be sought for the approval of agreed terms and conditions.

The Lighthouse, 11 Mitchell Lane (Ward 10) – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to commence negotiations for an off-market letting approved.

6 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for an off-market letting of The Lighthouse, 11 Mitchell Lane (Ward 10), advising

- (1) that the subject site, detailed in an appendix to the report, was a warehouse which had been designed in 1895 by Charles Rennie Macintosh, had predominantly not been in productive use for several years, and that no notes of interest had been received that would deliver the desired vision for the building and the many positive outcomes, as detailed in the report;
- (2) of the development ambitions that the project aimed to achieve within the first 10 years, and of the economic and social benefits for the city, as detailed in the report; and

- (3) of proposals for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to commence negotiations with Sustainable Ventures (Scotland) Ltd, in consultation with City Property Glasgow (Investments) LLP (CPGI), for a long-term lease of The Lighthouse, excluding the 2 ground floor units currently within CPGI's portfolio.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) granted authority for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to commence off-market negotiations with Sustainable Ventures (Scotland) Ltd for a lease of The Lighthouse, 11 Mitchell Lane; and
- (b) noted the appropriate authority would be sought for the approval of agreed terms and conditions.

Supply and delivery of 4 wheeled galvanised steel general waste bins and recycling bins – Award of contract approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the supply and delivery of 4 wheeled galvanised steel general waste bins and recycling bins, advising that

- (1) the Council's budget for the supply and delivery of 4 wheeled galvanised steel general waste bins and recycling bins was £1.92m;
- (2) the duration of the contract, which would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, was for 3 years with the option to extend for 1 period of up to 24 months which would be exercised should there be a programme overrun and parts required; and
- (3) of the 7 suppliers invited to submit a bid from Lot 2 of Scotland Excel's Framework, 2 had submitted a bid and following evaluation it was recommended the contract be awarded to Storm Environmental Limited.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the supply and delivery of 4 wheeled galvanised steel general waste bins and recycling bins to Storm Environmental Limited at an estimated award value of £1,639,850 over the duration of the contract.

Provision of counselling services within education establishments – Award of contracts approved.

8 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received to be appointed to the framework for the provision of counselling services within education establishments, advising that

- (1) the anticipated framework value for the provision of counselling services education services over the framework duration was £8m, with West Dunbartonshire Council also able to use the framework;
- (2) the framework, to be utilised by Education Services, had been split into 4 Lots and would run for a period of 4 years, effective from 1st April 2025; and
- (3) of the 34 suppliers who had accessed the tender, 12 had submitted a bid and following an evaluation it was recommended the contracts be awarded to the suppliers detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of a framework for the provision of counselling services within education establishments to:-

- (a) Lot 1 – Secondary Schools Counselling
Lifelink SC171155;
- (b) Lot 2 - Primary Schools – One to One Counselling
Lifelink SC171155;
- (c) Lot 3 - Primary Schools – Play Therapy
With Kids SC343897; and
- (d) Lot 4 - Primary Schools – Art Therapy
Impact Arts (Projects) Ltd SC225422.

Supply and delivery of moving and handling equipment - standing transfer aids and accessories – Award of contract approved.

9 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the supply and delivery of moving and handling equipment - standing transfer aids and accessories, advising that

- (1) the Council's annual spend for the supply and delivery of moving and handling equipment - standing transfer aids and accessories was £22,160;
- (2) the contract would support the EquipU store services requirements that provided and maintained assistive technologies for vulnerable citizens across 6 council partners and NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Valley;
- (3) the contract, to be utilised by Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership would be for a period 60 months, with an option to extend for a further period of 24 months, would commence in February 2025, and the contract length would provide continuity of supply of products which were a stable requirement; and
- (4) of the 14 suppliers appointed to category 2 of the Dynamic Purchasing System, 7 had submitted a bid and following an evaluation it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Prism UK Medical Limited.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for supply and delivery of moving and handling equipment - standing transfer aids and accessories at an annual estimated contract value of £76,446, which included estimated demands of the EquipU partners.

Provision of translation services – Award of contract approved.

10 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of translation services, advising that

- (1) the Council's annual budget for the provision of translation services was £1.3m;
- (2) the contract, which would be utilised by Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership, Education Services, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability Department and the Chief Executives Department, would be for a period of 36-months with the option to extend for a further period of up to 27 months which included a 3 month mobilisation period; and
- (3) of the 22 suppliers who had expressed an interest, 3 had submitted a bid and following an evaluation it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Supreme Linguistic Services Ltd (T/A Premium Linguistic Services).

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the provision of translation services to Supreme Linguistic Services Ltd (T/A Premium Linguistic Services) at an estimated annual value of £845,682.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 4th December 2024.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Abdul Bostani, Anthony Carroll, Sean Ferguson and Jill Pidgeon.

Apologies: Eunis Jassemi and Hanif Raja

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); K McDonald (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D Anderson, S Downie and M Gibb (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Inspector G Griffiths, 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

Paul Wright (PD32385)

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE

Daniel Kelly (TD16148)

Complaint against private hire car driver's licence of Saad Amjad (PD31006) dealt with.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a complaint in relation to the private hire car driver's licence of Saad Amjad (PD31006).

After consideration, the committee agreed to take no action in relation to the complaint.

Applications for various types of licences dealt with - Dissent.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 26 applications for various types of licences.

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

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Premises/stance</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (NEW)			
Wild Orchid 2 (HMO07126)	1/1, 474 Crow Road (Ward 12)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Wild Orchid 2 (HMO07127)	1/2, 37 Crow Road (Ward 12)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Wild Orchid 2 (HMO07128)	1/2, 121 Randolph Road (Ward 12)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

Wild Orchid 2 (HMO07129)	1/3, 13 Redlands Road (Ward 23)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, Councillor Pidgeon dissenting
Wild Orchid 2 (HMO07130)	2/1, 88 Hyndland Street (Ward 23)	3 years	Refused
Wild Orchid 2 (HMO07131)	4/2, 20 Berkeley Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (VARIATION)

Jing Huang Lei (VHMO04434)	3/1, 31 Kersland Street (Ward 11)	n/a	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
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MARKET OPERATOR'S LICENCE (NEW)

SHS Events Ltd (MO00400)	Outside St Enoch Shopping Centre, Osborne Street (Ward 10)	Temporary from 12th to 15th December 2024	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in reports by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
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PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)

Umar Shaheen (PD32994)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Abshir Mohamed Ismail (PD33029)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance

Muhammad Waqas Latif (PD33190)	n/a	3 years	Granted for restricted period of 6 months
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Adnan Ali Shah (PD33253)	n/a	3 years	Granted for restricted period of 1 year
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PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

George Spencer (PD32442)	n/a	3 years	(1) Granted; and (2) Noted that the licence had now been suspended with immediate effect, in terms of the Council's Scheme of Delegated Functions and paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982
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SHORT TERM LET LICENCE (HOME LETTING) (NEW)

Pritti Kullarwar (GL01285)	158 Linburn Road (Ward 4)	3 years	Granted
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SHORT TERM LET LICENCE (HOME SHARING) (NEW)

Diana Schad (GL01309)	102 Loudon Hill Road (Ward 17)	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
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SHORT TERM LET LICENCE (SECONDARY LETTING) (NEW)

Felicity Meinen (GL00920)	2/1, 30 St Andrew's Square (Ward 9)	3 years	Granted
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Kevin Green (GL01001)	24 Old Polmadie Road (Ward 8)	3 years	Granted
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Pride Properties Glasgow Ltd (GL01055)	26 Festival Court (Ward 5)	3 years	Granted for restricted period of 1 year and warning issued regrading applicant's future management of premises
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SKIN PIERCING AND TATTOOING LICENCE (RENEWAL)

James Sneddon (SPT865)	The Forge Market, 1201 Duke Street (Ward 19)	3 years	Refused
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STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (NEW)

Anna Raduzky (ST01440)	(1) West side of North Street, 70 metres north of St Vincent Street (Ward 10); and (2) West side of Kelvin Way, 35 metres north of Sauchiehall Street (Ward 11)	3 years	(a) Granted stance (2), subject to conditions detailed in correspondence by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and (b) Noted withdrawal of stance (1)
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TAXI LICENCE (NEW)

Abdul Majid (TV09528)	n/a	3 years	Refused
West End Taxi Co (TV09530)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of application
Muniba Afzall (TV09534)	n/a	3 years	Refused

TAXI LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Woods & Farmer (TV09583)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of application
Woods & Farmer (TV09585)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of application
Re-Kab Taxi Service (TV09605)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

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 paragraph 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

47 Oykel Crescent (Ward 17) - Application by Ravikumar Singh (GL00976) for short term let licence (Home sharing) (New) refused.

5 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an application by Ravikumar Singh (GL00976) for a short term let licence (Home sharing) (New) for 3 years in respect of premises at 47 Oykel Crescent (Ward 17).

After consideration, the committee refused the application.

4/1, 72 Lancefield Quay (Ward 10) - Application by Alexis McDougall (GL00590) for short term let licence (Secondary letting) (New) granted, after division.

6 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an application by Alexis McDougall (GL00590) for a short term let licence (Secondary letting) (New) for 3 years in respect of premises at 4/1, 72 Lancefield Quay (Ward 10).

Councillor Pidgeon, seconded by Bailie Carroll, moved that the application be refused.

Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Bostani, moved as an amendment that the application be granted.

On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 3 members voted for the amendment and 2 for the motion. The amendment was accordingly declared to be carried and the application was granted.

6/2, 72 Lancefield Quay (Ward 10) - Application by Saima Mirza (GL01017) for short term let licence (Secondary letting) (New) granted, after division.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an application by Saima Mirza (GL01017) for a short term let licence (Secondary letting) (New) for 3 years in respect of premises at 6/2, 72 Lancefield Quay (Ward 10).

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

Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Bostani, moved as an amendment that the application be granted.

On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 3 members voted for the amendment and 2 for the motion. The amendment was accordingly declared to be carried and the application was granted.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 5th December 2024.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Abdul Bostani and Sean Ferguson.

Apologies: Anthony Carroll, Eunis Jassemi, Jill Pidgeon and Hanif Raja.

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

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Reconsideration of application by S & A Taxis (TV09465) for taxi licence (Renewal) – Application granted.

1 With reference to the minutes of 23rd October 2024 (Print 5, page 100) refusing an application by S & A Taxis (TV09465) for a taxi licence (Renewal) for 3 years, there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration advising that in light of new information, as detailed in the report, the matter had been referred back to this committee for reconsideration.

After consideration, the committee granted the application.

Applications for private hire car licence dealt with.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 57 applications for a private hire car licence (New).

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

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Teklit Okubagabr Teweldebrhan (PV25589)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Nayon Mitra (PV25590)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Abubaker Abdallah (PV25774)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Mohammed Kabashi Elbasheer Mohammed (PV25775)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Abel Araya Habte (PV25776)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

Abdulkarim Mohammed (PV25777)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Chohdary Fanaz Ahmed Farrukh (PV25778)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Abiel Teshome (PV25591)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Mohamed Hassan Dhagasayn (PV25592)	3 years	Refused
Zameer Akhtar (PV25593)	3 years	Refused
Myzafer Kabashi (PV25594)	3 years	Refused
Mohammed Haseeb (PV25595)	3 years	Refused
Mohammed Shabbir Latif (PV25596)	3 years	Refused
Balal Aslam (PV25597)	3 years	Refused
Aftab Ehsan (PV25509)	3 years	Refused
Famararz Derakhshanpoor (PV25602)	3 years	Refused
Waqar Ahmed Begum (PV25603)	3 years	Refused
Osman Jakob Said (PV25779)	3 years	Refused
Yosief Tesfay Gebretatios (PV25604)	3 years	Refused
Rebin Karim (PV25605)	3 years	Refused
Ishaag Hussein (PV25606)	3 years	Refused
Hafiz Muhammad Farhan Masood (PV25607)	3 years	Refused
Shamshad Akhtar Muhammad Sakina (PV25609)	3 years	Refused
Yonas Araya (PV25610)	3 years	Refused
Awet Tewelde (PV25611)	3 years	Refused
Aisha Maqsood (PV25612)	3 years	Refused

Scott Thomson (PV25483)	3 years	Refused
Syma Gehlan (PV25613)	3 years	Refused
Dilman Abdullah (PV25614)	3 years	Refused
Mesfin Tesfaye (PV25615)	3 years	Refused
Nick Ikunda (PV25616)	3 years	Refused
Aftaab Ahmed (PV25617)	3 years	Refused
Zakria Suliman H Ahmed (PV25618)	3 years	Refused
Adnan Khalid (PV25619)	3 years	Refused
Nick Ikunda (PV25620)	3 years	Refused
Hasan Sulaiman (PV25621)	3 years	Refused
David Teasdale (PV25622)	3 years	Refused
Amir Payamani (PV25623)	3 years	Refused
Raheel Ahmad (PV25510)	3 years	Refused
Waseem Arshad (PV25624)	3 years	Refused
Haroon Saleem (PV25625)	3 years	Refused
Paul Dickson (PV25626)	3 years	Refused
Khurram Shah (PV25627)	3 years	Refused
Gurdip Singh (PV25628)	3 years	Refused
Ahsan Bilal (PV25629)	3 years	Refused
David Readings (PV25480)	3 years	Refused
Amer Masood (PV25632)	3 years	Refused
Shawby Car (PV25633)	3 years	Refused
Edward Allan (PV25634)	3 years	Refused
Qaiser Mahmood (PV25635)	3 years	Refused
Akil Amin (PV25636)	3 years	Refused

Ali Hasnain (PV25637)	3 years	Refused
Shakeel Ahmed (PV25638)	3 years	Refused
Nick Ikunda (PV25639)	3 years	Refused
Mohammad Zahid (PV25640)	3 years	Refused
Natecho Services Ltd (PV25641)	3 years	Refused
Shahbaz Sultan (PV25642)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Refused

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 11th December 2024.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Anthony Carroll, Sean Ferguson, Eunis Jassemi and Jill Pidgeon.

Apology: Hanif Raja.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); K McDonald (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D Anderson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Sergeant B Rafferty, Police Scotland.

Exclusion of public.

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

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Requests to consider suspension or revocation of various licences dealt with.

2 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 dealt with the requests as follows:-

*Licence holder and reference
number*

Decision

PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE

Afjal Fakir (PV23488)

Continued at request of licence holder

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

Afjal Fakir (PD28376)

Continued at request of licence holder

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE

Steven Fulton (TD16182)

Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Reconsideration of application by Yasar Arfat Gondal Gondal (PV24406) for private hire car licence (New) – Application refused.

3 With reference to the minutes of 29th May 2024 (Print 2, page 99) refusing an application by Yasar Arfat Gondal Gondal (PD24406) for a private hire car licence (New) for 3 years, there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration advising that following an appeal by Yasar Arfat Gondal Gondal to the Sheriff Court at Glasgow, the matter had been referred back to this committee for reconsideration.

After consideration, the committee refused the application.

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

4 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 97 applications for various types of licences.

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

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Premises</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
<i>HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (NEW)</i>			
Elizabeth Morris (HMO07368)	Ground floor, 18 Laurel Street (Ward 12)	3 years	Refused
<i>LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE (NEW)</i>			
Jolly's G3 Ltd (LHC00540)	946 Argyle Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Continued for inspection of premises by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

Glasgow Venture 1 Ltd (LHC00542)	273 Duke Street (Ward 22)	3 years	Granted
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Hope News Ltd (LHC00543)	211 Hope Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted
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PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE (NEW)

Muhammad Waheed Akram (PV25643)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Qaiser Gundal (PV25644)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Tekit Gereyohannes Kidane (PV25645)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Eligiusz Damian Sanza (PV25646)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Helen Wendmagen (PV25647)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Atif Shafiq (PV25648)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Abdul Mohamed Nasri (PV25649)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Ravinder Singh (PV25650)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Muhammed Ali Murtaza Chaudary (PV25651)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Mohamed Alhaj (PV25781)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Rufa'i Mohamed Husein (PV25652)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of application
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Gulshahbaz Mirza (PV25782)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Hammad Raza (PV25952)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Qaiser Malik (PV25659)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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Tefera Bizuneh Yeshetila (PV25660)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Omar Abdulbaqi Yousif (PV25661)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Khurram Ahmed (PV25662)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Shamas Javed Chaudhry (PV25663)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Ebenezer Aidoo (PV25664)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Kalim Ullah Khan (PV25665)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Bereket Tewelde (PV25666)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Shahbaz Ahmad (PV25668)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Mohammed Amar Aslam (PV25669)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Narinder Chahal (PV25670)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Nasredding Trayia Kitir (PV25671)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Mohamed Ben Lazreg (PV25672)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Nazrul Islam (PV25673)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Muhammad Waqas Ishaq (PV25674)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Shakeeb Sharif Mahdi (PV25675)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Sohail Jamal Awan Liaqat (PV25676)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Farhat Ullah (PV25677)	n/a	3 years	Refused

Farhat Ullah (PV25678)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Joe Geb (PV25679)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Awet Haile Hadish (PV25680)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Nooreddin Hassanm (PV25681)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Muhammad Kaleem (PV25682)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Awat Kareem (PV25683)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Ahmad Mahmoud Aloush (PV25684)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Frehiwet Angelo Gebru (PV25685)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Ahmed Hassan (PV25686)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Qaisar Raza (PV25687)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Bashir Hassan Musa (PV25688)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Mohsin Khawar (PV25689)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Jeyakanth Paramalingam (PV25690)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Peter Adolphus (PV25691)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Khalid Imran (PV25692)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Zain Ul Abedin (PV25693)	n/a	3 years	Refused

Box Autos Ltd (PV25694)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Muhammad Ayub (PV25695)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Aras Zahir (PV25696)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of application
Elias Gebru Teklay (PV25697)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Ibrahim Shegir (PV25698)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Drood (PV25699)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Ahmed Farah Hassan (PV25782)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Rehman Butt (PV25783)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Noorullah Sidiqi (PV25784)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Manor Singh (PV25785)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Raja Shahzad Fayyaz Khan (PV25786)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Apon Mitra (PV25787)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Mohammad Javed (PV26195)	n/a	3 years	Refused

SHORT TERM LET LICENCE (HOME LETTING) (NEW)

Stephen Stewart (GL00842)	Flat 16, 14 Cleveland Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted
Tina Beales (GL00403)	0/1, 42 Anniesland Road (Ward 14)	3 years	Granted
Mark Kelly (GL00567)	19 St Francis Rigg (Ward 8)	3 years	Refused

Amanda Federici (GL00656)	Flat 10, Balfour Court, 4 Lethington Avenue (Ward 7)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Saifullah Butt (GL00767)	1/13, 1 Blackfriars Road (Ward 9)	3 years	Granted
Julie Mitchell (GL00797)	3/2, 22 Springhill Gardens (Ward 6)	3 years	Refused

SHORT TERM LET LICENCE (HOME LETTING AND HOME SHARING) (NEW)

Stuart McCann (GL00854)	179 Finnieston Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted
Margaret McHale (GL00935)	11 Blairatholl Gardens (Ward 12)	3 years	Refused

SHORT TERM LET LICENCE (HOME SHARING) (NEW)

Scott McCormick (GL00530)	31 Hardgate Gardens (Ward 5)	3 years	Refused
Tahira Jamshid (GL00890)	3 Drumfearn Road (Ward 16)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Shona Pearson (GL00943)	61 Great George Street (Ward 11)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of application
Carol Ann Barnett (GL00954)	2/2, 40 Henderson Street (Ward 11)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

SHORT TERM LET LICENCE (SECONDARY LETTING) (NEW)

Kiran Bindra (GL00585)	3/1, 200 Elliot Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted
Lynn Stevenson (GL01066)	2/2, 76 Elderslie Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Refused
Sara Thiam (GL00347)	9.2, 145 Albion Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Diane McAlister (GL00393)	79 London Avenue (Ward 9)	3 years	Granted
Brian Simmers (GL00453)	17 Dorset Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted

Precious Nwokoma (GL00468)	33 Westray Square (Ward 16)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Surjit Chowdhary (GL00482)	7/6, 460 Sauchiehall Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Refused
Jared Sanders (GL00531)	3/9, 460 Sauchiehall Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted
Juniper Rentals Ltd (GL00624)	221 St Vincent Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted
Principal Dwellings (GL00626)	Flat 44, 4 Chancellor House, Parsonage Square (Ward 9)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Arbani Ltd (GL00627)	140 Ingram Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Peter Lap Kwok Yung (GL00680)	Flat 4, 9 Clarendon Place (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted
Tarak Ramzan (GL00728)	Flat F, 280 St George's Road (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted
Amjco Property Ltd (GL00747)	6/02, 70 Queen Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Refused
Amjco Property Ltd (GL00750)	1/2, 71 Ashley Street (Ward 11)	3 years	Refused
Alina Raza (GL00839)	51 Fleurs Avenue (Ward 6)	3 years	Granted
VSC Ventures Ltd (GL00891)	4/2, 16 South Frederick Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Refused
Coatbridge Property and Investment Company (GL00904)	3/1, 47 Byres Road (Ward 23)	3 years	Refused
Simone Brydson (GL00989)	Ground floor, 55 Kelvinside Gardens (Ward 11)	3 years	Refused

Thomas James Moan (GL00995)	3.11, 87 Dunlop Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted
Yun Feng (GL01068)	Flat 104, 701 Govan Road (Ward 5)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 15th January 2025.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Abdul Bostani, Sean Ferguson and Hanif Raja.

Apologies: Eunis Jassemi, Leòdhas Massie and Jill Pidgeon.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; D Anderson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Sergeant B Rafferty, Police Scotland.

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Requests to consider suspension or revocation of various licences dealt with.

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 dealt with the requests as follows:-

<i>Licence holder and reference number</i>	<i>Decision</i>
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PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

Paul Leeboddy (PD28185)	Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
Henry Gillespie (PD28365)	Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
Michael Mallon (PD28472)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Paul McFarlane (PD29269)	Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
Stewart MacAuley (PD29442)	Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

Mohamed Alfatih Mohamed
(PD31308)

Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE

Richard McNight (TD16200)

Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

Gerald Kilty (TD16316)

Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

Andrew McCallion (TD16354)

Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

James McGaughey (TD16792)

Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

Peter Lowis (TD16870)

Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

William Anderson (TD16940)

Licence suspended for unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

Exclusion of public.

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

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of private hire car driver's licence of Thomas Winters (PD32613) with immediate effect agreed.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of the private hire car driver's licence of Thomas Winters (PD32613), in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982

(1) advising that

- (a) following receipt of a complaint from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, the private hire car driver's licence of Thomas Winters had been suspended on 23rd December 2024 with immediate effect for a period of 6 weeks; and
- (b) the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke the private hire car

driver's licence of Thomas Winters, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act; and

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

After consideration, the committee agreed to suspend the private hire car driver's licence of Thomas Winters for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act.

Applications for various types of licences dealt with - Dissent.

4 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 55 applications for various types of licences.

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

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Premises</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (NEW)			
Zahida Ullah (HMO07133)	1/1, 211 Great Western Road (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Phoenix Centenary Court Ltd (HMO07136 to HMO07174)	0/1, 0/2, 1/1, 1/2, 2/1, 2/2, 3/1 and 3/2, 19 St Luke's Place (Ward 8)	3 years	(1) Granted for restricted period of 1 year, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and
	0/1, 0/2, 1/1, 1/2, 2/1, 2/2, 3/1 and 3/2, 3 St Luke's Terrace (Ward 8)		
	0/1, 1/1, 1/2, 2/1, 2/2, 3/1 and 3/2, 9 St Luke's Terrace (Ward 8)		
	0/1, 0/2, 1/1, 1/2, 2/1, 2/2, 3/1 and 3/2, 15 St Luke's Terrace (Ward 8)		(2) Severe warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises

0/1, 0/2, 1/1, 1/2, 2/1,
2/2, 3/1 and 3/2, 21
St Luke's Terrace
(Ward 8)

HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (EXISTING)

Irene Stein (HMO01676)	1/1, 15 Dowanside Road (Ward 23)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Catherine Irvine (HMO04955)	2/1, 50 Bank Street (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Omar Aziz (HMO04945)	0/1, 1248 Argyle Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Omar Ali (HMO01401)	3/2, 29 Bentinck Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)

Mohamed Bah (PD32604)	n/a	3 years	Granted
Malik Mehr Khan Ilyas (PD32894)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Abshir Mohamed Ismail (PD33029)	n/a	3 years	Refused, Bailie Raja dissenting

Marcin Myslicki (PD33191)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Scott Hutchison (PD33310)	n/a	3 years	Refused, Councillor Ferguson dissenting
Mohammad Akram (PD33321)	n/a	Temporary for 6 weeks	Refused

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Nazir Ahmad (PD33079)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information
Syed Shah (PD33265)	n/a	3 years	Refused, Bailie Raja dissenting

SHORT TERM LET LICENCE (HOME SHARING) (NEW)

Diana Schad (GL01309)	102 Loudon Hill Road (Ward 17)	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
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TAXI LICENCE (NEW)

PSG Leasing Ltd (TV09747)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
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TAXI LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Cambus Taxi Service (TV09764)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
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Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Proposed public consultation on demand for taxi and private hire car services and whether to continue to have policies limiting number of licensed vehicles agreed – Instruction to Director of Legal and Administration.

5 With reference to the minutes of 28th February 2024 (Print 7, page 94) agreeing that

- (1) the interim independent assessment of the overprovision, use and demand for the services of private hire cars and separately taxis in the city, scheduled for June 2024, no longer remained appropriate; and

- (2) a full independent review of both the Limitation of Taxi Licences Policy and the Private Hire Car Licence Overprovision Policy be undertaken, at the same time, in June 2025,

there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a proposal to undertake a public consultation on the demand for taxi and private hire car services in the city and whether this authority should continue to have policies limiting the number of such licensed vehicles, advising

- (a) of background information in relation to the consideration of the demand for taxis which was unmet and the overprovision of private hire cars, in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982;
- (b) that following a review and consideration of an independent assessment report by Local Transport Projects Ltd, an amended Limitation of Taxi Licences Policy and a Private Hire Car Licence Overprovision Policy had been approved by this committee on 26th April 2023 (Print 1, page 107) with an interim review of both policies originally to be undertaken, at the same time, in June 2024, as detailed in the report;
- (c) of the current position regarding the matter and highlighting that since the policies were last reviewed, concerns had continued to be raised regarding the availability of taxi and private hire cars in the city;
- (d) of the arrangements for a proposed public consultation in relation to the matter, as detailed in the report, which would seek views on whether the policies limiting the number of taxis and private hire cars in the city were still necessary and proportionate and whether they continued to be in the public interest;
- (e) that the proposed consultation would seek to capture views not only from the existing taxi and private hire car trade but also from the public generally and from those involved in the city's late night economy and would be hosted on the Council's consultation hub as well as being brought to the attention of taxi and private hire car booking offices, trade groups as well as various partners and organisations, as detailed in the report; and
- (f) that the outcome of the consultation would be reported back to this committee and that this would help inform members in determining whether they wished to maintain either or both the current policies and, if so, whether to proceed to carry out the review of demand that was due to commence in June 2025 in relation to the number limitations contained therein.

After consideration, the committee

- (i) noted the report; and
- (ii) instructed the Director of Legal and Administration to undertake a public consultation on the demand for taxi and private hire car services in the city

and whether this authority should continue to have policies limiting the number of such licensed vehicles and to report back on the findings.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 16th January 2025.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Abdul Bostani and Sean Ferguson.

Apologies: Eunis Jassemi, Leòdhas Massie, Jill Pidgeon and Hanif Raja.

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

Applications for private hire car licence dealt with.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 52 applications for a private hire car licence (New).

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

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Adam Esmail (PV25901)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Mohammad Abu-Sikeena (PV25902)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Manmohan Reddy Mayreddy (PV25903)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Suudi Shoble (PV25904)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Syed Sadaf Abbas (PV25905)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Muhammad Zahid (PV25906)	3 years	Refused
Naveed Sadiq (PV25909)	3 years	Refused
Ahmed Mohammed Almashdali (PV25910)	3 years	Refused
Habib Gulamsiddiq (PV25911)	3 years	Refused
Natsenat Haile (PV25912)	3 years	Refused
Imtiaz Hussain (PV25913)	3 years	Refused

Faisal Nadeem (PV25914)	3 years	Refused
Andon Pallenga (PV25953)	3 years	Refused
Lukasz Sudol (PV25954)	3 years	Refused
Abdul Rashid Popal (PV25955)	3 years	Refused
Babikr Yaqoup Ibrahim (PV25956)	3 years	Refused
Harjinder Singh (PV25958)	3 years	Refused
Tahir Raza (PV25959)	3 years	Refused
Waqas Anwar (PV25862)	3 years	Refused
Adnan Zahid (PV25852)	3 years	Refused
Abdallah Yahya (PV25960)	3 years	Refused
Muhammad Adnan Khan (PV25961)	3 years	Refused
Ahmed Ali (PV25962)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of application
Fahad Khalid (PV25963)	3 years	Refused
Samuel Teklom Ghilazghi (PV25964)	3 years	Refused
Mohammed Waqas Mughal (PV25965)	3 years	Refused
Asif Javed (PV25966)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Refused
Daveed Malik (PV25990)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Refused
Chris Donohoe (PV25991)	3 years	Refused
Mohammad Babar (PV25992)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of application
Harinder Kandola (PV25993)	3 years	Refused
Mohammad Asif (PV25994)	3 years	Refused
Amjd Al Asaad (PV25995)	3 years	Refused

Hassan Yousif (PV25996)	3 years	Refused
Mussie Abraham (PV25997)	3 years	Refused
Ali Bahmani (PV25998)	3 years	Refused
Mohammed Eltag Hussein (PV25999)	3 years	Refused
Zouhir Al Zoubi (PV26000)	3 years	Refused
Ali Gabir Adam Fadol (PV26001)	3 years	Refused
Muhammad Ibrahim Khan (PV26002)	3 years	Refused
Gamart Ltd (PV26003)	3 years	Refused
Mudassar Saeed (PV26008)	3 years	Refused
Danish Mahmood Siddiqui (PV26009)	3 years	Refused
Rashid Mahmood (PV26010)	3 years	Refused
Tayyab Maqsood (PV26011)	3 years	Refused
Maher Salah (PV26012)	3 years	Refused
Muhammad Ibrahim (PV26013)	3 years	Refused
Ahmad Alkaboodi (PV26014)	3 years	Refused
Amer Noor (PV26015)	3 years	Refused
Farhan Ahmad (PV26016)	3 years	Refused
Zia Ul-Haq (PV26017)	3 years	Refused
Zahid Akhtar (PV26018)	3 years	Refused

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 29th January 2025.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

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

Apology: Leòdhas Massie.

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); K McDonald (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D Anderson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Sergeant B Rafferty, Police Scotland.

Exclusion of public.

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

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of taxi driver's licence of Gerald White (TD16702) – Action agreed.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of the taxi driver's licence of Gerald White (TD16702), in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982

- (1) advising that
 - (a) following receipt of a complaint from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, the taxi driver's licence of Gerald White had been suspended on 10th January 2025 with immediate effect for a period of 6 weeks; and
 - (b) the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke the taxi driver's licence of Gerald White, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act; and
- (2) attaching correspondence from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, detailing the terms of the complaint.

After consideration, the committee agreed not to suspend or revoke the taxi driver's licence of Gerald White, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act.

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 50 applications for various types of licences.

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

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Premises</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (NEW)			
Kelvin River Properties (Glasgow) Ltd (HMO07179)	11C Park Circus Place (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Kelvin River Properties (Glasgow) Ltd (HMO07180)	13A Park Circus Place (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Kelvin River Properties (Glasgow) Ltd (HMO07181)	13D Park Circus Place (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Kelvin River Properties (Glasgow) Ltd (HMO07182)	15D Park Circus Place (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Kelvin River Properties (Glasgow) Ltd (HMO07183)	15E Park Circus Place (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of

			Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Ecosse Estates Ltd (HMO07184)	2/1, 459 Duke Street (Ward 22)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Baggypocket Ltd (HMO07218)	3/1, 22 Bluevale Street (Ward 9)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
St James Glasgow Investment Ltd (HMO07186 to HMO07217)	Flats 133, 134, 135, 136, 233, 234, 235, 236, 333, 334, 335, 336, 433, 434, 435, 436, 533, 534, 535, 536, 633, 634, 635, 636, 701, 702, 703, 704, 801, 802, 803 and 804, 110 St James Road (Ward 10)	3 years	(1) Granted for restricted period of 1 year, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and (2) Severe warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises

HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (EXISTING)

Hardeep Kohli (HMO03363)	2/2, 89 Thornwood Drive (Ward 12)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Triratna Glasgow (Trust) (HMO01613)	T/R, 13 Kelvinside Terrace South (Ward 11)	3 years	(1) Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director

			of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and
			(2) Warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises
Fiona Eckersall (HMO03463)	2/2, 80 Park Road (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Malcolm MacInnes (HMO01382)	2/2, 102 Kenmure Street (Ward 6)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Leo Petrucci (HMO01679)	2/1, 40 Whitehill Street (Ward 22)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Malcolm MacPherson (HMO03933)	2/L, 28 Rupert Street (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
<i>LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE (NEW)</i>			
Noodles Glasgow Ltd (HMO00550)	253 Sauchiehall Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted
<i>PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)</i>			
Anisa Parveen Bashir (PD33052)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Abdol Nasser Bavi-Rabieh (PD33242)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information

Ryan Adams (PD33309)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
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PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Ahmad Malik (PD33277)	n/a	3 years	Granted and warning issued regarding applicant's future conduct
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LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 30th January 2025.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Abdul Bostani, Sean Ferguson and Leòdhas Massie.

Apologies: Eunis Jassemi, Jill Pidgeon and Hanif Raja.

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

Applications for private hire car licence refused.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 66 applications for a private hire car licence (New) for 3 years.

After consideration, the committee refused the undernoted applications:-

Applicant and reference number

Iatizaaz Warrich (PV25853)

Baz Abdallah (PV26065)

Zafar Sulimankhel (PV26066)

Tarig Adam (PV26067)

Muhammad Riaz Mushtaq (PV26068)

Amanullah Andar (PV26069)

Imran Khan (PV26070)

Krzysztof Wojdylo (PV26071)

Mohammed Bilal Javid (PV26072)

Aminul Islam (PV26073)

AbdulKadir Haji Ahmed (PV26074)

Mohammad Ismail Rabbani Begum (PV25933)

Bahaaldeem Radwan (PV26075)

Dmitri Prokopov (PV26076)

Asif Javeed Ali Nazir (PV26077)

Mohammed Waqar Aslam (PV26086)

Muhammad Tahir Majid (PV26087)

Muhammad Owais (PV26088)

Muneer Ahmed (PV26089)

Khalifa Bahri (PV26090)

Mahmood Anwar (PV26091)

Rehan Mirza Ahmed (PV26092)

Taj Muhammad (PV26093)

Mursal Ali (PV25863)

Mohammed Karimi (PV26094)

Tahir Mehmood (PV26095)

Paramjit Singh (PV26096)

Asmerom Girmay (PV26097)

Ahmed Daad (PV26098)

Tariq Gondal (PV26099)

Awet Tadesse Haile (PV26125)

Aqeel Arshad (PV26126)

Rashid Rezayee (PV26127)

Shakeel Alam Awan (PV26128)

Ihab T A Ayyad (PV26129)

Ghodrat Taheri (PV26130)

Ahmed Ali Altahir (PV26131)

Munzir Ahmed Ibrahim (PV26132)

Majed Al Frouh (PV26133)
Nuredin Abdu Negash (PV26134)
Mourad Cherfi (PV26135)
Awet Tsegai Lucas (PV26149)
Arif Khan (PV26150)
Abdallah Abdulkarim (PV26151)
Mohammed Haque (PV26152)
Fernando Damiao (PV26153)
Muhammad Hayat (PV26154)
Selmen Mohammed (PV26155)
Umer Khayam Raja (PV26156)
Rebwar Ahmed (PV26157)
Muhammad Waseem Khan (PV26205)
Ahmed Alobeid (PV26206)
Hagos Abraham (PV26207)
Malvinder Singh Sangha (PV26208)
The Only Route Ltd (PV26209)
Ghirmay Ghebremeskel (PV26210)
Imran Qasim (PV26211)
Robert McKinnon (PV26212)
Fkrey Tesfayonas (PV26196)
Adam Abdelkarim (PV26213)
Zee & Sons Ltd (PV26214)
Junaid Ali Jamshaid (PV26215)
Iraj Mohebi (PV26216)

Habtom Gebremeskel Kahsay (PV26217)

Zain Rabbani Parveen (PV26218)

Akhlaq Ahmed (PV26219)

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 5th February 2025.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

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

Attending: G McDermid (Clerk); K McDonald (for the Director of Legal and Administration); and S Downie and N Hume (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 14 applications for various types of licences.

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

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Premises/stance</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE (NEW)			
DPK Foods Ltd (LHC00546)	31 High Street (Ward 10)	3 years	(1) Granted for restricted period of 1 year; and (2) Severe warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises
DPK Foods Ltd (LHC00548)	520 Great Western Road (Ward 11)	3 years	(1) Granted for restricted period of 1 year; and (2) Severe warning issued regarding applicant's future management of premises
Altaya Ltd, t/a Goodies (LHC00552)	192-194 Battlefield Road (Ward 7)	3 years	Granted
John Somerville Services Ltd (LHC00558)	231 Thornliebank Road (Ward 2)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Granted

Curry Pot Cafe Ltd (LHC00559)	139 Dumbarton Road Road (Ward 23)	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
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SKIN PIERCING AND TATTOOING LICENCE (RENEWAL)

William Hughes (SPT912)	188 Woodlands Road (Ward 11)	3 years	Continued for outstanding matters to be completed to satisfaction of Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
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Unique Hair and Beauty Ltd (SPT929)	Unit 9, Forge Market, 1201 Duke Street (Ward 19)	3 years	Granted
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Denise Stewart Acupuncture (SPT937)	41 St Vincent Place (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted
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STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (NEW)

Shan Tang (ST01464)	(1) At dead end of Ashton Road, 11 metres south east of Byres Road (Ward 11);	3 years	(a) Stance (1) granted, subject to conditions detailed in correspondence by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and (b) Stances (2) and (3) refused
	(2) South side of Torness Street, 4 metres east of Church Street (Ward 23); and		
	(3) East side of Church Street, 5 metres north of Torness Street (Ward 23)		

Zihui Wu (ST01465)	(1) At dead end of Ashton Road, 11 metres south east of Byres Road (Ward 11);	3 years	(a) Stance (1) granted, subject to conditions detailed in correspondence by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and
	(2) South side of		

Torness Street, 4
metres east of
Church Street
(Ward 23); and

Sustainability; and

(b) Stances (2) and (3)
refused

(3) East side of
Church Street, 5
metres north of
Torness Street
(Ward 23)

STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Gerald Connor (ST00917)	On pavement on north side of Great George Street, 13 metres east of Byres Road (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in correspondence by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Jay Bharaj (ST01256)	East side of Derby Street, 38 metres north of Bentinck Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in correspondence by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Ryan Singh Bharaj (ST01257)	East side of Derby Street, 38 metres north of Bentinck Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in correspondence by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Calum Campbell (ST01266)	East side of Derby Street, 38 metres north of Bentinck Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Continued for further information

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 10th December 2024.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Allan Gow and Norman MacLeod.

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.

Financial Services - Appeal against dismissal upheld.

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

Having heard the appellant, J Slaven, GMB and C Craig and D Tarres, Financial Services, the committee, after discussion, upheld the appeal and substituted the dismissal with a final written warning.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 28th January 2025.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Alan Gow and Norman MacLeod.

Attending: C Cain (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 – Appeal against dismissal rejected.

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

Having heard the appellant, J Hunter, EIS and D Hutchison and K Smith, Education Services, the committee, after discussion, rejected the appeal.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 4th February 2025.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Norman MacLeod and Martha Wardrop.

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, G Hood, Unison and D McCulloch and P Carruthers, Neighbourhoods Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee, after discussion, rejected the appeal.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 5th February 2025.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Ken Andrew and Anne McTaggart.

Attending: J Crawford (Clerk); J MacAskill and N 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.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership - Appeal against dismissal upheld in part.

3 The committee considered an appeal against dismissal by an employee previously employed in Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Having heard the appellant, P Sweeney, Unison, L O'Neil and S Park, Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership, the committee, after discussion, upheld the appeal in part.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 3rd December 2024.

Planning Applications Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Sean Ferguson, Elaine Gallagher, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Thomas Kerr, Paul Leinster, Jill Pidgeon and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Eva Bolander, Hanif Raja and James Scanlon.

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

Variation in order of business.

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

19 Cambridge Street (Ward 10) - 24/01664/FUL - Demolition of building and erection of purpose-built student accommodation (Sui generis) and associated ancillary development - Committee minded to conditionally grant planning permission, after division.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by PMI Developments Ltd and Peveril Securities Ltd for planning permission for the demolition of a building and the erection of purpose-built student accommodation (Sui generis) and associated ancillary development at 19 Cambridge Street (Ward 10) - 24/01664/FUL.

Councillor Alam, seconded by Bailie Thomas Kerr, moved that committee was minded to conditionally grant planning permission, subject to the completion of an agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.

Councillor Blench, seconded by Councillor Gallagher, moved as an amendment that planning permission be refused.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 3 members voted for the amendment and 8 for the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

Flat 0/1, 522 Anniesland Road (Ward 13) - 24/02247/FUL - Erection of canopy to rear and formation of decking to side of flatted dwelling – Planning permission conditionally granted.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Mr Alan Shand for planning permission for the erection of a canopy to the rear and formation of decking to the side of a flatted dwelling at flat 0/1, 522 Anniesland Road (Ward 13) - 24/02247/FUL.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted planning permission.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 14th January 2025.

Planning Applications Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Eva Bolander, John Daly, Sean Ferguson, Elaine Gallagher, Paul Leinster and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Fyeza Ikhlaiq, Jill Pidgeon and Hanif Raja.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); and A Dale and M Thomson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

11 Minerva Way (Ward 10) - 23/01742/FUL – Redevelopment of site, with erection of residential flats (Sui generis), ancillary private amenity space and associated access, parking, public and private open space, infrastructure and landscaping - 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 Redevco for planning permission for the redevelopment of a site, with the erection of residential flats (Sui generis), ancillary private amenity space and associated access, parking, public and private open space, infrastructure and landscaping at 11 Minerva Way (Ward 10) – 23/01742/FUL.

Having heard representations from the applicant and objectors, Councillor Andrew seconded by Councillor Leinster, moved that committee was minded to conditionally grant planning permission, subject to the completion of an agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.

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

On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 3 members voted for the amendment and 7 for the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 28th January 2025.

Planning Applications Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Eva Bolander, John Daly, Sean Ferguson, Elaine Gallagher, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Paul Leinster, Jill Pidgeon, Hanif Raja and Martha Wardrop.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); A Dale, R Middleton and M Thomson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Site between 48-66 Busby Road (Ward 1) - 24/02429/FUL - Erection of 4 detached dwellinghouses with detached garages: Material variation to 21/00397/FUL to include changes to external materials for all plots, amendments to all approved garages and alterations at plot 1 – Planning permission conditionally granted.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Zoom Developments for planning permission for a material variation to previous consent 21/00397/FUL for the erection of 4 detached dwellinghouses with detached garages, to include changes to external materials for all plots, amendments to all approved garages and alterations at plot 1 at a site between 48-66 Busby Road (Ward 1) – 24/02429/FUL.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted planning permission, subject to an additional condition No 36 to read:-

“Notwithstanding the details on the approved plans, the windows and doors on the upper floors of the proposed garage on plot 1 must replicate the design and proportions of the windows and doors of the main dwellinghouse. For the avoidance of doubt the astragal design is not approved. Amended drawings that reflect the design and proportions of the dwellinghouse should be submitted for the inspection and written approval of the Planning Authority prior to work on this garage commencing on site. If agreed the development should be completed in compliance with these details.

Reason: In order to protect the appearance of both the property itself and the surrounding area.”

795 Maryhill Road (Ward 11) - 24/02023/FUL - Erection of raised decking with use as beer garden to rear of public house (Retrospective) – Planning permission refused – Declaration of interest.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application for planning permission by Café Ibiza for the erection of raised decking with use as a beer garden to the rear of a public house (Retrospective) at 795 Maryhill Road (Ward 11) – 24/02023/FUL.

After consideration, the committee refused planning permission.

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

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 10th December 2024.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Eva Bolander, Elaine Gallagher, Iklaq Fyeza, Paul Leinster, Jill Pidgeon and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Thomas Kerr and James Scanlon.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); and D Batty, C Hunt and S Taylor (Planning Advisors).

Appointment of Chair.

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

Site at Nitshill Road/Corselet Road (Ward 3) - 24/00156/LOCAL – Part use of car park for siting of 2 steel container units as hot food takeaway (Sui generis) and ancillary storage, alterations to units including installation of flue extract (part retrospective) - Planning permission refused.

- 2 There was submitted a request by Mr Shoaib Ahmad for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the part use of a car park for the siting of 2 steel container units as a hot food takeaway (Sui generis) and ancillary storage, alterations to units including the installation of a flue extract (part retrospective) at a site at Nitshill Road/Corselet Road (Ward 3) - 24/00156/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee refused planning permission.

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 21st January 2025.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Eva Bolander, John Daly, Sean Ferguson, Elaine Gallagher, Fyeza Ikhlaiq, Paul Leinster, Jill Pidgeon and Martha Wardrop.

Apology: Hanif Raja.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); and D Batty, C Hunt and S Taylor (Planning Advisors).

Appointment of Chair.

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

16 Upland Road (Ward 13) - 24/00177/LOCAL - Erection of two-storey extension to side of dwellinghouse - Planning permission conditionally granted.

2 There was submitted a request by Mr and Mrs M Anderson for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a two-storey extension to the side of a dwellinghouse at 16 Upland Road (Ward 13) - 24/00177/LOCAL.

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

“Prior to the commencement of the development, a Statement of Energy (SoE) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The SoE shall demonstrate how the development will incorporate low and zero-carbon generating technologies to achieve at least a 20% cut in CO2 emissions and that the Gold Hybrid Standard are to be met, as per City Development Plan policy CDP 5: Resource Management and accompanying Supplementary Guidance SG5: Resource Management. The development shall thereafter be constructed in compliance with the approved SoE. Formal confirmation of the constructed development's compliance with the SoE, carried out by a suitably qualified professional, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority before the development/the relevant part of the development is occupied.

Reason: To reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions by ensuring that the development is designed and constructed to be energy efficient and utilises cleaner and more renewable sources of energy.”

Site on corner of Queens Park Avenue/Crosshill Avenue (Ward 8) - 24/00179/LOCAL - Erection of detached dwellinghouse - Material variation to 22/00568/FUL to incorporate a detached single storey garage - Planning permission conditionally granted, after division.

3 There was submitted a request by Plan A Consultancy Ltd for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a detached dwellinghouse - material variation of previous consent 22/00568/FUL to incorporate a detached single storey garage at a site on the corner of Queens Park Avenue/Crosshill Avenue (Ward 8) - 24/00179/LOCAL.

Councillor Andrew, seconded by Councillor Blench, moved that planning permission be conditionally granted.

Councillor Leinster, seconded by Councillor Ferguson, moved as an amendment that planning permission be refused.

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

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 4th February 2025.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Eva Bolander, Sean Ferguson, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Paul Leinster, Jill Pidgeon and Hanif Raja.

Apologies: John Daly and Martha Wardrop.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); and C Hunt, T Moss and S Taylor (Planning Advisors).

Appointment of Chair.

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

118 Blackhill Drive (Ward 15) - 24/00204/LOCAL - Erection of fence (Retrospective) - Planning permission refused.

2 There was submitted a request by Mr Amit Sachdeva for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a fence (Retrospective) at 118 Blackhill Drive (Ward 15) - 24/00204/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee refused planning permission.

17 Sinclair Drive (Ward 7) - 24/00199/LOCAL - Use of café (Class 3) as hot food takeaway (Sui generis) and replacement of flue to rear (Retrospective) - Planning permission conditionally granted – Declaration of interest.

3 There was submitted a request by SmokyZ for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the use of a café (Class 3) as a hot food takeaway (Sui generis) and the replacement of a flue to the rear (Retrospective) at 17 Sinclair Drive (Ward 7) - 24/00199/LOCAL.

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

“10 Stone repairs shall be carried out using replacement natural stone to match the original stonework in every respect including colour, geological character, texture and coursing pattern.

Reason: In order to protect the appearance of both the property itself and the surrounding area.”

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

FINANCE AND AUDIT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 29th January 2025.

Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

- Present: Frank McAveety (Chair), Alexander Belic, Jill Brown, Greg Hepburn, Jim Kavanagh, Alex Kerr, Anne McTaggart, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Malcolm Mitchell (substitute for Margaret Morgan) and Catherine Vallis.
- Apologies: Sharon Greer and Margaret Morgan.
- Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; D Black, Head of Audit and Inspection; L Heggie, Head of Strategic Information, Innovation and Technology; N Farnell (for the Chief Executive); C MacKenzie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance); R Watson (for the Managing Director, City Property Glasgow (Investments) LLP); and R Wynne and S Reid, 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 20th November 2024.

Finance and Scrutiny Committee – Annual Assessment noted etc.

2 There was submitted 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 was now year 2 of the Finance and Committee under the current Council term having been established in May 2022 following the Local Government Elections with its Terms of Reference approved by Council on 19th May 2022 (Print 1, page 23);

(2) highlighting

- (a) that a work programme was agreed by the committee after each recess, with the most recent work programme being agreed in August 2024 and a review of the work coming through the committee over the past 12 months compared to the Terms of Reference confirmed that committee had broadly met its requirements;
 - (b) that the most frequent reports related to financial monitoring and audit reports with the committee having agreed to generally focus each meeting between those 2 areas, whilst allowing for flexibility to prioritise more urgent business;
 - (c) the important interface between this committee and the Operational Performance Delivery Scrutiny Committee;
 - (d) 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
 - (e) that committee members were encouraged to raise any areas of training or development that would assist them in their roles on the committee and the next scheduled training session was to be provided by the external auditor, EY; and
- (3) summarising the feedback received from the questionnaire issued to members of the committee to help inform the effectiveness of the working of the committee.

After consideration, the committee noted the annual assessment report and any future actions resulting from the feedback received from the committee member survey.

Common Good Fund property portfolio – Current position noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Financial and Business Services providing an update on the management of the Common Good Fund property portfolio by City Property Glasgow (Investments) LLP,

- (1) advising that as at the 31st December 2024,
 - (a) the total annual rent for the portfolio was £292,941 (net of VAT), which was an increase of £5,161;
 - (b) the total non-recoverable costs, primarily non-domestic rates costs was £16,897, which was an increase of £9,952; and
 - (c) the total rent arrears across the portfolio was £117,007, which was an increase of £21,878 and it was proposed to write off £27,280.98 of this debt and 4 tenants were on instalment plans equating to £46,751.87

with Legal Services pursuing £16,451.04 of debt from a former tenant;
and

(2) concluding that over the next 6 months City Property Glasgow (Investments) LLP would

(a) endeavour to complete all outstanding transactions/negotiations and secure lettings following marketing of those subjects which remained vacant; and

(b) continue

(i) to monitor repair and maintenance expenditure to protect asset value;

(ii) to maximise income through increased rental by undertaking rent reviews and lease renewals where appropriate;

(iii) to pursue debt and implement payment plans and legal action as appropriate; and

(iv) with a programme of regular inspection to ensure tenant compliance with leasehold obligations.

Capital Investment Programme - Annual Performance 2023/24 noted.

4 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 2023/24, advising

(1) of a summary of a selection of key highlights from the 2023/24 APR, as detailed in an appendix to the report;

(2) of the key performance highlights during the period from April 2023 to March 2024 of those projects within the Council's Capital Investment Programme; and

(3) that despite continued uncertainties, significant achievements had been made to progress the completion of programmed works, minimise the cost to the Council and realise longer term benefits to Glasgow's service users, citizens, communities, visitors and businesses, as detailed in the report.

Internal audits noted – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.

5 There were submitted reports by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the findings of the following audits carried out:-

- (1) Chief Executive's Department – Glasgow Communities Fund;
- (2) Corporate Review:-
 - (a) Capital Budget Monitoring Process;
 - (b) External Grant Funding; and
 - (c) IT Problem Management; and
- (3) Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability – Shared Prosperity Fund, Capital Project Compliance.

After consideration, the committee

- (i) noted the contents of the reports; and
- (ii) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit follow up reports showing progress towards achievement of the action plans arising from the audits undertaken.

Audit recommendations - Progress noted etc.

6 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection providing an update on the status of audit recommendations agreed previously with services,

- (1) advising that since the last report to this committee on 23rd October 2024 (Print 5, page 157), services had been responsible for following up recommendations that were due to have been implemented, with 55 remaining outstanding as at 19th December 2024 split across each service area, as detailed in the report;
- (2) intimating that during the period from 27th September to 19th December 2024 services had satisfactorily implemented 72 recommendations, as detailed in the report; and
- (3) detailing a summary of outstanding recommendations by service area and priority, together with the register of all recommendations that had still to be implemented, as detailed in an appendix to the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

- (a) the progress made in terms of the recommendations implemented; and
- (b) that further reports advising of the implementation of outstanding recommendations would be submitted in due course.

Accounts Commission, Audit Scotland - National reports noted.

7 There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection regarding the Accounts Commission, Audit Scotland national reports,

- (1) advising that the Accounts Commission, Audit Scotland and other scrutiny bodies and agencies issued national reports that may be of relevance and interest to the Council's scrutiny committees and officers had undertaken to keep abreast of such reports as they were issued and bring them to the attention of the relevant scrutiny committee in a 6-monthly update paper; and
- (2) providing a summary of the national reports identified in the period August 2024 to January 2025, where relevant officers would identify any ongoing or planned action within the Council in response to those national reports.

Exclusion of public.

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

Internal audit – Cyber incident response planning assurance report – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.

9 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the findings of a review of the Cyber Incident Response Planning assurance work completed to date.

After consideration, the committee

- (1) noted the contents of the report; and
- (2) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit further reports on the progress towards achievement of the recommendations within the action plan.

Internal audit – IT Currency assurance report – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.

10 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the findings of a review of the IT Currency assurance work completed to date.

After consideration, the committee

- (1) noted the contents of the report; and

- (2) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit further reports on the progress towards achievement of the recommendations within the action plan.

Internal audit – Level of Service Case Management Inventory application assurance report - Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.

11 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the findings of a review of the Level of Service Case Management Inventory application assurance work completed to date.

After consideration, the committee

- (1) noted the contents of the report; and
- (2) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit further reports on the progress towards achievement of the recommendations within the action plan.

OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 4th December 2024.

Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Soryia Siddique (Chair), Imran Alam, Richard Bell, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Feargal Dalton, Stephen Docherty, Elaine Gallagher, Eunis Jassemi, Roza Salih, Catherine Vallis and Martha Wardrop.

Apology: John Daly.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); D Black, Head of Audit and Inspection; M Booth, Head of Policy and Corporate Governance; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; and T Hughes (for the Head of Corporate Human Resources).

Response to questions noted.

1 There was submitted a response to questions raised by members at the meeting of this committee on 6th November 2024.

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.

Complaints handling performance 2023/24 noted - Instruction to Officers.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance regarding the Council family's complaints handling performance for the period from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024, 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 (Stage 1), investigation stage (Stage 2) and external review (Stage 3) 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 2023/24 for complaints handling, as summarised in the report;
- (5) of the complaints statistical data for 2023/24 that saw an overall increase in the number of complaints received about services provided by the Glasgow family of organisations, as detailed in the report;
- (6) of the shortfall in performance in terms of meeting timescales for responses to Stage 1 complaints, whilst indicating that an improvement was expected in this regard during 2024/25 as a result of a new IT complaints handling performance recording system being rolled out that would provide alerts and reminders to close off resolved complaints within the system; and
- (7) of the number and categories of complaints recorded against each Service and ALEO for the period.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the complaints handling performance 2023-24; and
- (b) instructed Officers to submit a report to a future meeting providing full details of the operational workings of the Granicus system that was due to replace the current complaints handling recording system, and in particular how the system would integrate with other Council systems to include amongst others, the GEMS system used by Members Services.

Strategic Plan - Grand Challenge 4 - Enable staff to deliver essential services in a sustainable, innovative and efficient way for our communities - Missions 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 reflecting the wider commitments of the plan, whilst keeping track of those key commitments that had emerged through a cost of living lens,

- (1) advising of the work underway across a number of key areas to support the plan's commitments; and
- (2) detailing, in an appendix to the report, progress and performance updates, sample case studies and planned activity by the Chief Executive's

Department and its commitments across key areas to deliver the plan's Missions, focussing particularly on Grand Challenge 4 - Enable staff to deliver essential services in a sustainable, innovative and efficient way for our communities, Mission 2: Run and open, well governed council in partnership with all our communities and Mission 3: Enable staff to deliver a sustainable, innovative council structure that delivers value for money.

After consideration, the committee noted

- (a) the report;
- (b) the commitments within Grand Challenge 4, Missions 2 and 3 of the Strategic Plan; and
- (c) that requests for further details or progress updates relating to specific Commitments would form part of this Committee's future work programme.

OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 15th January 2025.

Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Soryia Siddique (Chair), Imran Alam, Richard Bell, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, John Daly, Stephen Docherty, Elaine Gallagher, William Graham, Eunis Jassemi, Roza Salih, Catherine Vallis and Martha Wardrop.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); D Black, Head of Audit and Inspection; M Booth, Head of Policy and Corporate Governance; C Davren and M McClung (for the Executive Director of Education Services); C Quinn (for the Chief Executive); C MacKenzie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance); F McMeekin (for the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership); and S Deighan, Chief Executiver, Glasgow Life.

Response to questions noted.

1 There was submitted a response to questions raised by members at the meeting of this committee on 4th December 2024.

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.

Committee workplan 2025 approved etc.

2 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive detailing a list of planned reports for the proposed workplan 2025.

After consideration, the committee

- (1) approved the workplan, as detailed in the report;
- (2) agreed that a report on the Council's response to the 2024 Glasgow Household Survey with an action plan be included in the workplan for this committee's March or May 2025 meeting and that a report on the full audit review of the complaints process, as part of the 2025/26 audit plan also be included in the workplan for a meeting of this committee after the Summer Recess; and

- (3) noted that further items could be added to the workplan throughout the year.

Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee – Annual Assessment noted etc.

3 There was submitted a report by Bailie Soryia Siddique, 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 was now year 2 of the Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee under the current Council term having been established in May 2022 following the Local Government Elections with its Terms of Reference approved by Council on 19th May 2022 (Print 1, page 23); and

- (2) highlighting

- (a) that the committee in the past 12 months had moved away from the agreed specific focus on the cost of living lens to address and prioritise areas of service activity in order to begin to reflect the wider commitments within the Council's Strategic Plan 2022-27;
- (b) to date the items that had been considered by the committee during the past 12 months, as detailed in the report;
- (c) 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;
- (d) that as a result of members of the committee requesting more frequent training, the 2025 workplan had been updated to include more training opportunities for members of the committee; and
- (e) 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; and

- (3) summarising the feedback received from the questionnaire issued to members of the committee to help inform the effectiveness of the working of the committee.

After consideration, the committee noted the annual assessment report and the future actions resulting from the feedback from the committee member survey.

Strategic Plan - Grand Challenge 1 – Reduce poverty and inequality in our communities - Missions 1, 2, 3 and 4 - Service commitments noted.

4 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 1: Reduce poverty and inequality in our communities, Missions 1, 2, 3 and 4,

- (1) advising
 - (a) of the work underway across a number of key areas to support the plan's commitments; and
 - (b) that the Council's Strategic Plan had initially been reported through a cost of living lens in order to ensure that all new activity initiated or prioritised as a response to the cost of living crisis could be reflected in performance reporting and considered of an annual review, however the plan was now been reported with a wider lens than the cost of living focus and reflects its wider commitments whilst keeping track of commitments which emerged through the ongoing cost of living lens;
- (2) detailing in an appendix to the report, the progress and performance made, together with examples of work underway by the Chief Executive's Department, Education Services, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership and Glasgow Life across key areas to deliver those commitments, focussing particularly on Grand Challenge 1 and the undernoted Missions:-
 - (a) Mission 1: End child poverty in our city using early intervention to support families;
 - (b) Mission 2: Meet the learning and care needs of children and their families before and through school;
 - (c) Mission 3: Improve the health and wellbeing of our local communities; and
 - (d) Mission 4: Support Glasgow to be a city that was active and culturally vibrant.

After consideration, the committee noted

- (i) the Grand Challenges, Missions and Commitments within the Strategic Plan;
and
- (ii) that if required, officers would report back with further detail or progress updates on specific commitments or actions as part of the committee's future work programme.