

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 15th January 2026.

City Administration Committee.

Present: Susan Aitken (Chair), James Adams, Richard Bell, Christina Cannon, John Carson, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Greg Hepburn, Rashid Hussain, Ann Jenkins (substitute for Jill Brown), Ruairi Kelly, Paul Leinster (substitute for Allan Casey), Elaine McDougall, Anne McTaggart, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Robert Mooney, Cecilia O'Lone, Lana Reid-McConnell, Soryia Siddique, Catherine Vallis and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Jill Brown, Allan Casey and John Daly.

Attending: E Rodger (Clerk); S Millar, Chief Executive; R Emmott, Executive Director of Financial Services; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; J McGhee, Interim Executive Director of Education Services; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; and M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration.

Digital Glasgow Strategy Annual Report 2025 noted – Continued direction of travel and priorities for 2026 approved.

1 With reference to the minutes of 11th April 2024 (Print 1, page 53) approving the Digital Glasgow Strategy 2024 to 30, Councillor Leinster, Chair of the Digital Glasgow Board, presented a report regarding the implementation of the strategy, advising

- (1) that the Terms of Reference of the Digital Glasgow Board included a commitment to provide this committee with an annual report on the progress of implementing the Digital Glasgow Strategy;
- (2) that the Digital Glasgow Strategy Annual Report 2025, as detailed in the report showed a year of significant progress in delivering the city's ambitious Digital Glasgow Strategy 2024 to 30, that aimed to create a digitally inclusive, innovative, and empowered city;
- (3) that the implementation of the strategy during 2025 had resulted in measurable achievements across the strategy's 3 strategic missions namely, building a fair and empowered digital society, fostering an inclusive digital economy and delivering sustainable and innovative digital public services;
- (4) that the annual report acknowledged the ongoing challenges, including persistent digital exclusion, resource and capacity constraints, the complexity of legal system integration and the need to maintain public trust and ethical

standards as digital adoption accelerated, with these challenges being addressed through targeted interventions;

- (5) of the priorities for 2026, which included expanding digital inclusion, embedding new operating models and AI governance, redesigning services with a customer-centric focus, further investment in connectivity and smart infrastructure, and strengthening the Council's approach to innovation and digital transformation; and
- (6) of the next steps.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted
 - (i) the positive progress and measurable impact made in delivering the Digital Glasgow Strategy during 2025; and
 - (ii) the challenges identified and the proactive steps being taken to address them;
- (b) recognised the city's ongoing commitment to its core values of inclusion, security, transparency identified and the proactive steps being taken to address them; and
- (c) approved the continued direction of travel and priorities for 2026.

Bailie Siddique noted her interest in this matter.