FINANCE AND AUDIT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 21st October 2026.

Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Kieran Turner (Chair), Ken Andrew, Alexander Belic, Declan Blench, Abdul Bostani, Chris Cunningham (substitute for Donna McGill) Stephen Curran (substitute for Cecilia O'Lone) Elaine Gallagher, Sharon Greer, Dan Hutchison, Jim Kavanagh, Elaine McSporran, Davina Rankin (substitute for Catherine Vallis).

Also present: Christina Cannon, Eunis Jassemi and Jill Pidgeon.

Apologies: Cecilia O'Lone, Donna McGill and Catherine Vallis.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); R Emmott, Executive Director of Financial Services; M Booth, Head of Policy and Corporate Governance; W Hart (for the Head of Audit and Inspection; C MacKenzie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance); T Hughes (for the Head of Human Resources); and R Wynne, EY.

Called-in decision – Legacy funding for the former McVitie's factory in Tollcross (Ward 19) – Implementation of City Administration Committee decision approved, after division.

1 With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee of 3rd September 2026 (Print 4, page 47),

(1) noting the process undertaken in relation to the legacy funding for the former McVitie's factory to develop proposals that addressed community views, the strategic objectives of the Council and the corporate social responsibilities of Pladis; and

(2) approving the 4 funding proposals endorsed by the Area Partnerships,

there was submitted

(a) a report thereon by the Director of Legal and Administration relevant to the decision, as detailed in Appendix 2; and

(b) a call-in request by Councillor James Adams and 4 other members, detailed in Appendix 2 of the report, requesting that the decision should be called in on the grounds that the City Administration Committee was not provided with sufficient information or evidence to enable members to properly assess and determine whether the recommendations before them accurately reflected the views expressed through the community engagement process.

During the meeting, the committee heard representations from

(i) Councillor Jill Pidgeon, a signatory to the call-in, outlining the reasons for the call-in; and

(ii) M Booth, Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, confirming the processes and consultation undertaken in relation to the proposals for the legacy funding.

After consideration, Bailie Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Curran moved that Committee refer the matter back to the City Administration Committee with the undernoted recommendations:-

(A) undertake wider community consultation on the proposed allocation of the £1m legacy funding, including engagement with local residents, community councils and community groups;

(B) following that consultation, submit proposals and consultation findings to the relevant Area Partnership/s for formal consideration, with discussions, recommendations and reasons formally recorded in the published minutes; and

(C) submit a further report to the City Administration Committee and to this committee for a fresh decision on the allocation of funding, setting out the consultation findings, the Area Partnership/s recommendations and how they had informed proposals.

Councillor McSporran, seconded by Councillor Bostani, moved as an amendment that committee accept the recommendations of the City Administration Committee.

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