

Minutes of

Glasgow City Council

2023/24 – Print 1

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MINUTES

OF

GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL.

Glasgow, 30th March 2023.

Hybrid meeting, Glasgow City Council.

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

SAQIB AHMED	LAURA DOHERTY	NORMAN MacLEOD
SUSAN AITKEN	STEPHEN DORNAN	ELAINE McSPORRAN
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ANTHONY CARROLL	ALEX KERR	LANA REID-MCCONNELL
ALLAN CASEY	MATT KERR	ROZA SALIH
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STEPHEN DOCHERTY	KENNY McLEAN	ALEX WILSON

LORD DEAN OF GUILD

Apology: Keiran O’Neill.

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

S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; I Robertson, Director of City Development; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; and C Edgar, Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships.

Minutes approved.

1 The minutes of the Council meeting of 16th February 2023 (Print 6, pages 577 to 585) were submitted and approved.

Minutes of committees submitted and approved.

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

(1) Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee of 1st March 2023 (Print 6, pages 586 to 589);

(2) Planning Applications Committee of 7th and 21st February and 7th March 2023 (Print 6, pages 590 to 593);

(3) Scrutiny Committees

(a) Finance and Audit of 22nd February 2023 (Print 6, pages 594 to 595); and

(b) Operational Performance and Delivery of 8th February and 8th March 2023 (Print 6, page 596 to 597);

(4) City Administration Committee of 9th and 23rd February and 9th March 2023 (Print 6, pages 598 to 604);

(5) Planning Local Review Committee of 14th and 28th February and 14th March 2023 (Print 6, pages 605 to 607);

(6) City Policy Committees

(a) Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring of 28th February 2023 (Print 6, pages 608 to 611);

(b) Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement of 2nd March 2023 (Print 6, pages 612 to 613);

(c) Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration of 7th March 2023 (Print 6, pages 614 to 617);

(d) Education, Skills and Early Years of 9th March 2023 (Print 6, pages 618 to 620); and

(e) Environment, and Liveable Neighbourhoods of 14th March 2023 (Print 6, pages 621 to 624);

(7) Licensing and Regulatory Committee of 8th and 22nd February 2023 and 1st, 8th and 15th March 2023 (Print 6, pages 625 to 637);

(8) Personnel Appeals Committee of 15th and 22nd February and 1st and 15th March 2023 (Print 6, pages 638 to 639); and

(9) Contracts and Property Committee of 23rd February and 16th March 2023 (Print 6, pages 640 to 647).

Scheme of Members' Allowances approved, after division.

3 There was submitted a report by Councillor Greg Hepburn, Council Business Manager and Convener for Open Government detailing amendments to the Scheme of Members' Allowances for 2023/24 effective from 1st April 2023.

Councillor Hepburn, seconded by Councillor Aitken, moved the proposals in the report and the accompanying appendix detailing the Scheme of Members' Allowances for 2023/24 effective from 1st April 2023.

Bailie Thomas Kerr, seconded by Councillor Daly, moved as an amendment that the report be continued to the next Council meeting following discussion at the Business Bureau.

On a vote being taken electronically and by roll call, 2 members voted for the amendment and 45 for the motion with 31 abstentions.

The motion was accordingly approved.

The approved salaries of senior councillors are detailed in Appendix 1 to these minutes.

Changes to committees approved.

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

Committee etc.	*Appointment*
City Convener for Communities and Equalities	Appoint Anne McTaggart
Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee	Remove Keiran O'Neill and appoint Jill Pidgeon

Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee	Remove Sean Ferguson and appoint Anne McTaggart
Glasgow Volunteering Strategy Board	Appoint Declan Blench, Anthony Carroll, John Daly, Kevin Lalley and Anne McTaggart
Just Transition Working Group	Remove Matt Kerr and appoint Eva Murray
Licensing and Regulatory Committee	Remove Anne McTaggart and appoint Sean Ferguson
Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee	Remove James Scanlon and appoint Rashid Hussain
Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee	Remove Rashid Hussain and appoint Patricia Ferguson
Planning Applications Committee	Remove Patricia Ferguson and appoint James Scanlon
Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee	Remove Anne McTaggart and appoint Laura Doherty as Chair

Appointments and representation on outside bodies approved.

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

Organisation	*Appointment*
Glasgow City Integration Joint Board	Remove Anne McTaggart and appoint Norman MacLeod

Questions.

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

Question by	*Question*	*Answered by*
Councillor George Redmond	"To ask the Leader of the Council whether they will comment on the	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader of the Council and

	failure of any of the candidates for First Minister to commit to additional funding for Local Government, and whether she believes that pledges to reduce ring-fencing will be sufficient to invest in Glasgow's future?"	City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Councillor Elaine McDougall	"To ask the City Convener for Health, Care and Caring and Older People if he believes that the £21m of savings agreed by the Glasgow City Integration Joint Board is in line with the SNP's "core commitments to tackle poverty and inequalities", as written in the 2022 Glasgow SNP Manifesto?"	Councillor Chris Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care and Caring and Older People
Bailie Ann Jenkins	"To ask the relevant City Convener, what assessment the Council has made of the detrimental health impacts of e-cigarette use, particularly amongst the youngest. And what further steps the Council can take to minimise the harmful marketing of these products?"	Councillor Chris Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care and Caring and Older People
Councillor Robert Mooney	"To ask the relevant City Convener if they believe that the views, and concerns, of those with Visual Impairments and other disabilities are adequately reflected in the Council's implementation of floating bus stops?"	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Holly Bruce	"In light of the recent number of pedestrian and cyclist deaths, to ask the relevant Convener what progress has been made on the urgent road safety roundtable discussion that was agreed at the last Safe Glasgow Partnership meeting and whether intermediate measures have been identified for action at the site of each recent fatality?"	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets

Bailie Elaine Gallagher	"To ask the relevant City Convener what ongoing engagement the Council has with Police Scotland in relation to the enforcement of road traffic offences and how their resources can be targeted most effectively?"	Councillor Angus Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery
Bailie Anthony Carroll	"To ask the relevant City Convener how many of Glasgow's traffic light systems have a waiting time of over 30 seconds for pedestrians to cross?"	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Eva Bolander	"Can the City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery advise whether, in line with Glasgow's efforts to support climate action and reduce car dependency, the Council has considered opportunities for re-engineering of the Clydeside Expressway?"	Councillor Angus Millar, Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery
Councillor Martha Wardrop	"To ask the relevant City Convener for the timescale to complete the condition survey of Queen Margaret Road?"	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Soryia Siddique	"What consideration has Glasgow City Council given to installing mini wind turbines similar to Greater Manchester allowing the potential generation of electricity to power homes?"	Councillor Angus Millar, Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery
Councillor Ken Andrew	"To ask the Leader of the Council what the significance is and the benefits may be following the recent announcement that Glasgow has been selected as one of the 3 regions taking part in the £100m Innovation Accelerator programme?"	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition

Councillor Cecilia O'Lone	"To ask the Leader of the Council if she is concerned about Police Scotland's recent report that Glasgow lost 214 people to suspected drugs deaths, the highest level in Scotland? What is being done to reduce this?"	Councillor Allan Casey, City Convener for Workforce and Homelessness and Addiction Services
Councillor Blair Anderson	"To ask the relevant City Conveners to re-establish a working group on safe, green transport and schools, with particular focus on promoting and enforcing School Streets and active travel in schools?"	Councillor Angus Millar, Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery

Suspension of Standing Order No 12 (2) agreed.

7 The Council agreed to suspend the provisions of Standing Order No 12 (2) to allow the first motion to be taken as a cross party motion with one speaker from each group followed by motions from each group in order of relative strengths in the Council.

School Meal Debt – Motion approved.

8 Councillor Cannon, seconded by Councillor Rannachan, moved that:-

"Council notes that addressing food insecurity and hunger has been a priority for the Council and measures to support this have achieved cross party support including millions of pounds of funding for our Holiday School and Activity Programme and local food growing.

Council recognises the cost-of-living crisis, food inflation and the impact of Brexit is raising food insecurity in the city in ways that have not been seen for decades and that this is having a significant impact on people's health and wellbeing.

Council believes that adequate nutrition is vital to allow our young people to reach their full potential and that the nutritional value of school meals is equally important in supporting our young people to make healthier choices. Council commends the staff working across the Council together on food education, growing, health and, addressing poverty which has led the Council being awarded a Food for Life Served Here Bronze accredited by Soil Association Scotland. Glasgow has also recently been recognised by Sustain in its recent Every Mouthful Counts report which has commended Glasgow for its food policy, practice, and procurement.

Council further believes that the nutritional value of school meals is equally important in supporting our young people to make healthier choices. Council

therefore resolves that a paper should be brought before the Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee in due course, outlining how the Council's school meal provision fulfils the requirements of the Food and Drink in Schools regulations and the current policy and practice across Glasgow schools to ensure young people have access to a wide range of healthy and filling meals.

Council notes the recent Health and Wellbeing Census for 2021/2022 which has given us data to build and act upon. Nearly 60% of pupils at least sometimes went to bed or school hungry; 3% of respondents to the survey said that they always go to bed hungry; 6% said they often did and 27% have said that they sometimes do. These are findings that Council agrees we need to act upon.

Council supports the ongoing programme of Financial Inclusion in Schools which seeks to ensure that parents and guardians are accessing the financial support they are entitled to help weather the cost-of-living crisis. Additionally, Council notes and applauds the efforts of all our school and education staff in supporting our young people and families during this especially stressful period.

Council notes that Glasgow has been Scotland leading in extending free school meals to Primary 4 and readying the education estate for future extensions to school meals over the coming years. Council reiterates its commitment to expand free school meals to all primary school pupils when funding from the Scottish Government is received and regrets that this funding continues to be delayed. Council recalls the decision at the last meeting of the Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee for officers to bring forward a paper at the earliest opportunity on how the roll-out of universal free school meals to P6 and P7 will progress; in addition, Council asks officers to include details on how uptake of free school meals will be promoted for all those eligible following the expansion of eligibility to children in P6 and P7 who receive the Scottish Child Payment.

Council welcomes the Unite the Union's "Feed the Weans" campaign and Debt Justice's "Together Against Debt" campaign. Council agrees to write off current levels of school debt held centrally. Council agrees to use reserves to write off current levels of school debt held locally, where that debt is over and above the equivalent of one month's worth of meals, in line with Principle 5 of COSLA's Good Practice Principles for School Meal Debt Management.

Council further notes the recent Good Practice Principles for School Meal Debt Management guidance published by COSLA which, among other recommendations, highlights the discretionary ability of schools to use their funding streams to write-off school meal debt and provide additional free school meals for those in need who may not meet the national eligibility criteria. Council instructs the Executive Director of Education to update Glasgow City Council's policies in line with this best practice and bring a report with these updated changes to a future Education, Skills, and Early Years City Policy Committee for discussion and feedback; these policies should ensure that no child is denied food in school, regardless of ability to pay at the time of eating."

The motion was approved.

Adjournment.

9 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1240 hours until 1330 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

10 The meeting resumed at 1330 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

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

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Partnership; I Robertson, Director of City Development; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; and C Edgar, Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships.

Positive destinations – Motion, as adjusted, approved.

11 Councillor Cannon, seconded by Councillor Bolander, moved that:-

"Council welcomes the latest statistics published by Skills Development Scotland that shows 97.1% of Glasgow's young people went on to positive destinations, exceeding the national average for the second year in a row. Council particularly commends the four schools in the city who achieved 100%: Hyndland Secondary School, Lochend High School, Saint Roch's Secondary School & Glasgow Gaelic School.

Council thanks our teachers, education staff, Council officers, school communities, parents, carers and the young people themselves for achieving this result and reiterates our commitment to providing a high-quality education system where all children and young people are able to learn in an environment that helps them to reach their full potential.

Council notes the recent Health and Wellbeing Census 2021-22 which has given us useful data to build and act upon about pupils' priorities. Council notes that when S1-6 pupils were asked what they thought they would most likely be doing when they left school 63% said they thought they would go in to further or higher education; 6% into an apprenticeship or trade, 3% into employment and, 22% said they did not know.

Council resolves to continue looking at educational outcomes through a holistic lens, acknowledging that a child's health & wellbeing also contributes to their ability to learn and achieve.

Council instructs the Executive Director of Education to bring an update to a future committee outlining good practice across Glasgow's schools so that we can continue to build on these foundations and get it right for every child in the city."

Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Murray, moved as an amendment that the following be inserted after the second paragraph:

“However, Council records its disappointment that under current Scottish Government guidance, precarious and often exploitative work such as zero-hours contracts are considered positive destinations for our young people.

Council agrees to write a joint letter to the Education Cabinet Secretary asking the Scottish Government to re-assess its’ criteria of positive destinations and further instructs Skills Development Scotland to publish transparent and detailed statistics showing greater breakdown of positive destination categories.”

Councillor Anderson, seconded by Bailie Gallagher, moved as an amendment that:

(1) at paragraph 4, between “Council” and “resolves”, add “recognises criticisms of the definition of positive destinations and”; and

(2) the following be added at the end:

“Council notes that, according to the Health and Wellbeing Census 2021-22, 86% of pupils felt pressured by their schoolwork to some extent, believes that this has to be taken into consideration through the national review of education and welcomes the Scottish Government’s commitment to review Scotland’s education system at a national level. Council further believes that young people’s views should be at the heart of these reforms and that the Council should continue to engage with young people on policies which affect them.

Council requests that officers bring forward school-level and ward-level data from positive destination data and the Health and Wellbeing Census 2021-22 on how the Council plans to make further improvement in positive destination statistics.”

Councillors Anderson and Brown, with the approval of their seconders, agreed to combine their amendments as follows:

(1) at paragraph 4, between “Council” and “resolves”, add the following:

“recognises criticisms of the definition of positive destinations, including that precarious and often exploitative work such as zero-hours contracts are considered positive destinations for our young people, and”; and

(2) the following be added at the end:

“Council notes that - according to the Health and Wellbeing Census 2021-22 - 86% of pupils felt pressured by their schoolwork to some extent, believes that this has to be taken into consideration through the national review of education and welcomes the Scottish Government’s commitment to review Scotland’s education system at a national level, including re-assessment of criteria of positive destinations. Council further believes that young people’s views should be at the heart of these reforms and that the Council should continue to engage with young people on policies which affect them.

Council requests that officers bring forward school-level and ward-level data from positive destination data (including as detailed as possible breakdowns of the data, such as on the types of positive destinations) and the Health and Wellbeing Census 2021-22 on how the Council plans to make further improvement in positive destination statistics.”

Councillor Cannon, with the approval of her seconder, accepted the combined amendment by Councillors Anderson and Brown resulting in the following adjusted motion:

"Council welcomes the latest statistics published by Skills Development Scotland that shows 97.1% of Glasgow's young people went on to positive destinations, exceeding the national average for the second year in a row. Council particularly commends the four schools in the city who achieved 100%: Hyndland Secondary School, Lochend High School, Saint Roch's Secondary School & Glasgow Gaelic School.

Council thanks our teachers, education staff, Council officers, school communities, parents, carers and the young people themselves for achieving this result and reiterates our commitment to providing a high-quality education system where all children and young people are able to learn in an environment that helps them to reach their full potential.

Council notes the recent Health and Wellbeing Census 2021-22 which has given us useful data to build and act upon about pupils' priorities. Council notes that when S1-6 pupils were asked what they thought they would most likely be doing when they left school 63% said they thought they would go in to further or higher education; 6% into an apprenticeship or trade, 3% into employment and, 22% said they did not know.

Council recognises criticisms of the definition of positive destinations, including that precarious and often exploitative work such as zero-hours contracts are considered positive destinations for our young people, and resolves to continue looking at educational outcomes through a holistic lens, acknowledging that a child's health & wellbeing also contributes to their ability to learn and achieve.

Council instructs the Executive Director of Education to bring an update to a future committee outlining good practice across Glasgow's schools so that we can continue to build on these foundations and get it right for every child in the city.

Council notes that - according to the Health and Wellbeing Census 2021-22 - 86% of pupils felt pressured by their schoolwork to some extent, believes that this has to be taken into consideration through the national review of education and welcomes the Scottish Government’s commitment to review Scotland’s education system at a national level, including re-assessment of criteria of positive destinations. Council further believes that young people’s views should be at the heart of these reforms and that the Council should continue to engage with young people on policies which affect them.

Council requests that officers bring forward school-level and ward-level data from positive destination data (including as detailed as possible breakdowns of the data, such as on the types of positive destinations) and the Health and Wellbeing Census 2021-22 on how the Council plans to make further improvement in positive destination statistics.”

The motion as adjusted was approved unanimously.

UK Government Budget and Investment Zones – Motion, as adjusted, approved after division.

12 Councillor Redmond, seconded by Councillor Siddique, moved that:-

"Council notes the UK Government's Budget on 15th March; that the key feature of the Budget amounted to a "large giveaway to a small number of higher earners" at a cost of £1.2billion to public services; that cuts to Fuel Duty amount to £4.8billion from public services, while public sector workers are denied real-terms pay rises; and that the typical energy household bill is expected to be 17% higher in 2023/24 than in 2022/23.

Council also notes the commitment to create an Investment Zone in Scotland; however, it recognises the failure of the UK Government to meaningfully deliver on the “Levelling Up” agenda; and condemns the last-minute changes to Levelling Up funding that denied the City of Glasgow vital investment.

Council believes that it should maximise every opportunity for additional investment into the City; and therefore instructs Officers to engage with the Scottish Government to identify options for bringing the Investment Zone to Glasgow in a way which reflects the values of this Council; but resolves to write to the UK Government outlining its serious concerns about the allocation of funding to date and to secure assurances that time and resources will not be wasted by the last-minute decisions of Ministers."

Councillor Aitken, seconded by Councillor Doherty, moved as an amendment to delete all after the first paragraph and replace with the following:

“Council also notes the commitment to create at least one Investment Zone in Scotland; however, it recognises the failure of the UK Government to meaningfully deliver on the “Levelling Up” agenda; and condemns the last-minute changes to Levelling Up funding that denied the City of Glasgow vital investment. Council notes that the Leader of the Council has: met with both senior UK government officials and the Levelling Up Minister; expressed extreme disappointment and concern at the political manipulation of the process and Glasgow’s exclusion as a consequence; sought reassurance that this will not be repeated in any future bidding phases for the Levelling Up Fund; and initiated discussions about how to build on the considerable investment involved in producing both the Levelling Up and Green Freeport bids to consider how elements of the plans could be taken forward outside of such inefficient competitive processes. Council notes that while the latter discussion is at an early stage, the example of the Innovation Accelerator process, for which the Glasgow City Region was pre-selected, provides an excellent example of how central government funding can be deployed swiftly and with impact through partnerships at local level.

Council further notes that officers are already at an advanced stage of engagement with both the UK and Scottish governments to establish the details of how Investment Zones will be delivered and are making the case that locations should be pre-selected on the basis of need and potential impact rather than chosen through artificial competition and that funding should be provided on a “no strings”

basis so that spend can be aligned with locally-determined values and policy priorities. Council understands that Investment Zones will be awarded to Regional Partnerships rather than individual local authorities, and believes that the Glasgow City Region provides the maturity and strength of governance arrangements, the proven record of delivery, and the opportunity to ensure transformational impact for citizens, communities and climate, that makes it the obvious first choice of location in Scotland for this £80m investment.

Council therefore instructs officers to continue these discussions and to report outcomes to the appropriate Committee."

Councillor Molyneux, seconded by Bailie Gallagher, moved as an amendment that:

(1) at the first paragraph, between "public services" and "while public sector", the following be added:

"and which could instead have been invested in making public transport more affordable and accessible, or on supporting the growth of cheap, clean renewable energy sources to help lower household bills,";

(2) after the first paragraph insert the following paragraph:

"Council contrasts this with a Scottish Budget which, despite the most challenging financial context since devolution, provided funds for: improved public sector pay deals including that recently agreed by teachers; £2.2 billion worth of climate investment, including funding programmes to tackle fuel poverty and energy use in buildings; increased income tax for high earners and on the purchase of second homes; the removal of peak train fares across Scotland's railways later this year; social security entitlements increasing by 10.1%; £80m to expand school catering capacity, which will then allow for the expansion of free school meals to all P6 and 7 pupils, and an interim expansion to P6 and 7 pupils who receive the Scottish Child Payment; and record funding for walking, wheeling and cycling programmes, as well as extra funding for national parks, nature restoration and biodiversity."; and

(3) at the third paragraph remove from "Council believes that" to "this Council; but", and replace with the following:

"Council believes that it should pursue opportunities to bring additional investment into the City which are aligned to our strategic priorities, and therefore instructs Officers to bring a paper to an appropriate committee in the next cycle on the proposed Investment Zones and how they could support our aims; and".

Councillor Daly, seconded by Bailie Thomas Kerr, moved as an amendment to delete all and replace with the following:

"Council welcomes the UK Government budget announced on 15th March 2023. Council notes that this budget is focused on the key priorities of tackling the cost of living crisis and delivering economic stability and growth.

Council welcomes the extension of the Energy Price Guarantee at its current level until June which will save the average family a further £160. Council further welcomes that steps will be taken to ensure those on pre-payment meters do not pay a premium for their energy use by bringing it into line with direct debit prices from 1 July 2023. In addition, the UK Government has extended the freeze on fuel duty for a further year which will help families and businesses across Glasgow and will contribute to the Government's priority of reducing inflation.

Council notes with interest that the UK Government is expanding 30 hours of free childcare per week to children as young as 9 months old for working parents and that Universal Credit support for childcare will now be paid upfront at an increased amount. Council calls on the Scottish Government to use the funding it has received from this budget to match the childcare support that families in England will now receive following this budget.

Council notes that the Scottish Government will receive an extra £320 million over the next two years as a result of this budget and calls on the Scottish Government to commit every penny to support frontline public services. Council welcomes the pro-business approach of this budget which includes creating an investment zone in Scotland alongside 12 across the whole UK and that businesses will now receive full expensing with 100% tax relief on new investments in their businesses on plant and machinery which will help to boost productivity and support UK business investment.

Council agrees to write to the UK and Scottish Governments to set out its desire to see such an investment zone in Glasgow and to ask for early engagement on this matter to maximise the quality of bid that can be put forward."

Councillor Redmond, with the approval of his seconder, accepted the amendments by Councillor Aitken and Councillor Molyneux, resulting in the following adjusted motion:

"Council notes: the UK Government's Budget on 15th March; that the key feature of the Budget amounted to a "large giveaway to a small number of higher earners" at a cost of £1.2billion to public services; that cuts to Fuel Duty amount to £4.8billion from public services and which could instead have been invested in making public transport more affordable and accessible, or on supporting the growth of cheap, clean renewable energy sources to help lower household bills, while public sector workers are denied real-terms pay rises; and that the typical energy household bill is expected to be 17% higher in 2023/24 than in 2022/23.

Council contrasts this with a Scottish Budget which, despite the most challenging financial context since devolution, provided funds for: improved public sector pay deals including that recently agreed by teachers; £2.2 billion worth of climate investment, including funding programmes to tackle fuel poverty and energy use in buildings; Increased income tax for high earners and on the purchase of second homes; The removal of peak train fares across Scotland's railways later this year; Social security entitlements increasing by 10.1%; £80m to expand school catering capacity, which will then allow for the expansion of free school meals to all P6 and

7 pupils and an interim expansion to P6 and 7 pupils who receive the Scottish Child Payment; and record funding for walking, wheeling and cycling programmes, as well as extra funding for national parks, nature restoration and biodiversity. However, Council notes that this Budget did not include sufficient additional resource for Local Government and this Council and recalls its decision of 8th December that this is an unsustainable situation.

Council also notes the commitment to create an Investment Zone in Scotland; however, it recognises the failure of the UK Government to meaningfully deliver on the "Levelling Up" agenda; and condemns the last-minute changes to Levelling Up funding that denied the City of Glasgow vital investment. Council notes that the Leader of the Council has: met with both senior UK government officials and the Levelling Up Minister; expressed extreme disappointment and concern at the political manipulation of the process and Glasgow's exclusion as a consequence; sought reassurance that this will not be repeated in any future bidding phases for the Levelling Up Fund; and initiated discussions about how to build on the considerable investment involved in producing both the Levelling Up and Green Freeport bids to consider how elements of the plans could be taken forward outside of such inefficient competitive processes. Council notes that while the latter discussion is at an early stage, the example of the Innovation Accelerator process, for which the Glasgow City Region was pre-selected, provides an excellent example of how central government funding can be deployed swiftly and with impact through partnerships at local level.

Council further notes that officers are already at an advanced stage of engagement with both the UK and Scottish governments to establish the details of how Investment Zones will be delivered and are making the case that locations should be pre-selected on the basis of need and potential impact rather than chosen through artificial competition and that funding should be provided on a 'no strings' basis so that spend can be aligned to our strategic priorities, including fair work, net zero and tax justice. Council understands that Investment Zones will be awarded to Regional Partnerships rather than individual local authorities and believes that the Glasgow City Region provides the maturity and strength of governance arrangements, the proven record of delivery, and the opportunity to ensure transformational impact for citizens, communities and climate, that makes it the obvious first choice of location in Scotland for this £80m investment.

Council therefore instructs officers to continue these discussions and to report to the appropriate Committee when the relevant information is available about how an Investment Zone could support our aims."

On a vote being taken electronically and by roll call, 2 members voted for the amendment and 74 for the motion as adjusted which was accordingly declared to be carried.

Adjournment.

13 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1505 hours until 1520 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

14 The meeting resumed at 1520 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

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

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

LORD DEAN OF GUILD

Apology: Keiran O’Neill.

Attending: E Galletly, Director of Legal and Administration; A O’Donnell, Chief Executive; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; I Robertson, Director of City Development; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; and C Edgar, Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships.

Future of M8 Motorway – Motion, as adjusted, approved after division.

15 Bailie Mearns, seconded by Councillor Millar, moved that:-

"Council acknowledges that car-centric transport design has created many significant negative impacts on quality of life for communities across Glasgow and the West of Scotland, particularly those bordering the M8 motorway, including ongoing physical barriers, unattractive and unsafe routes for walking, wheeling and cycling, and increased noise and air pollution.

Council notes that the construction of the M8 motorway tore through established residential communities of Glasgow, and to this day acts as a scar in the urban fabric of the city, with a deeply damaging impact on the city centre's placemaking and creating severance between the city centre and localities to its north and west.

Council notes that transport is Scotland's biggest contributor of greenhouse gas emissions; that car and van use accounts for over half of these emissions; that uncontrolled access to roads creates more vehicle traffic through induced demand; and that negative impacts are not evenly distributed as around half of Glasgow's households do not own a car, yet dominant road infrastructure and excessive car-use affects those experiencing poverty and inequality the most.

Council reaffirms recent commitments made in Glasgow's Strategic Plan 2022-2027 to reduce the impact of the M8 on the city centre and to explore longer-term replacement options; as well as commitments in Glasgow's City Centre Transport Plan to achieve a 30-40% reduction in peak-hour private car traffic in the city centre by 2030 as part of wider commitments in the Glasgow Transport Strategy to reduce car vehicle kilometres in the city by at least 30% and to "offer a more liveable, people friendly urban environment [which] uses its space and streets differently". Council notes that reversing the long-standing dominance of car use in favour of people-friendly environments is a significant challenge, however it is absolutely necessary in order to reduce health inequality, address climate change and to support a sustainable economy.

Council notes that repair works and the propping up of the Woodside Viaduct alone will cost upwards of £100 million and last until at least the end of 2024 - one year and £65 million over original estimates; and that recent Freedom of Information requests have revealed that Transport Scotland are currently not assessing all immediate mitigation measures, including lower speed limits, which could address traffic volumes, air and noise pollution, as well as the number and cost of collisions.

Council believes that the public cost of maintaining an ageing motorway is so significant as to warrant further investigation of possible alternatives, including but not limited to, full replacement; and that public money should be spent on achieving incremental change and not simply maintaining the status quo. This will require close collaboration with external partners and an urgent commitment to work jointly to move forward these objectives.

Council further believes that it is time to reconsider whether a city centre motorway – very much a transport solution of the 1960s – is the right solution for the 2030s and beyond. Council notes that other cities around the world have in recent decades rethought their approach to major urban roads infrastructure, and considers that Glasgow may be able to draw learnings from experiences elsewhere.

Council further recognises the opportunity to review options to mitigate the M8's impact on the city centre in the short term, as well as to re-imagine its longer-term future, including to potentially re-engineer or downgrade the city centre stretch of the M8 over the longer term with a view to replacing this stretch with a boulevard- or avenue- style road in its place. Council notes the theoretical potential for a non-motorway road to maintain a key transport route but with significantly decreased amenity impacts; the provision of active roadside uses, development and public space; and substantially improved cross-connectivity and reduction of severance.

Council considers that these principles could potentially also be extended to other major roads infrastructure within Glasgow over the longer term, in alignment with our sustainable transport aspirations and strategic planning, with a future potential transformation of the Clydeside Expressway and the Shieldhall Overpass meriting consideration, for example.

Council notes that the M8 is a national asset in the ownership and strategic control of Transport Scotland, and recalls that the recently approved City Centre Transport Plan mandates the Council to engage with Transport Scotland around its future. Council therefore notes that any discussion around the future of the M8 must be taken forward in partnership with Transport Scotland, the Scottish Government and any other relevant stakeholders as well as wider civic society.

Council further acknowledges that any change to the operation or infrastructure of the city centre stretch of the M8 would require detailed transport modelling and business case development, and recognises the importance of ensuring any changes to the M8 or other roads infrastructure support the Council's wider sustainable transport objectives, including contributing to car vehicle kilometre reduction targets and ensuring traffic impacts on other streets and areas are limited within this context.

Council understands that, in line with the approved City Centre Transport Plan, and the Council's Strategic Plan for 2022-27, which was developed on a cross-party basis, the Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery has recently issued correspondence on behalf of the Council to Scottish Ministers, seeking to take forward a wide-ranging conversation over the future of the M8. Council notes that the Convener has sought engagement to scope out actions which could be taken forward over the short, medium and longer terms to address the impact of the city centre stretch of the M8 and support its future transformation.

Council notes that requests made by Glasgow City Council of the Scottish Government include:

- consideration of short-term mitigations to address carbon emissions and air pollution within the city centre M8 corridor and consideration of a trial of lower speed limits within the city centre stretch of the M8;
- Scottish Government participation in and funding support for research over the M8's future in the short term, with commitment to more detailed transport modelling and business case development over the medium term;
- and Transport Scotland support for transport modelling, business case development and identification of funding opportunities for the potential transformation of existing heavy roads infrastructure in Glasgow such as at Shieldhall and the Clydeside Expressway.

Council further notes that at present legislation providing for Low Emission Zones may not apply to non-local authority managed roads, but notes that the modelling for Glasgow's LEZ nevertheless sought to take account of air pollution impacts from the M8 corridor. Council notes that it has requested Scottish Government support for an intensification of air quality monitoring within the M8 corridor. Council further believes that the role of the M8 within Glasgow's Low Emission Zone should be considered, including relevant powers and scope, between Scottish Government and Glasgow City Council as part of review of its implementation.

Council acknowledges that, having sought to initiate a conversation with the Scottish Government, the dialogue and engagement being sought would be wide-ranging and over a number of distinct timeframes.

Council instructs the Chief Executive to ensure that a paper is brought to the relevant committee upon receipt of return correspondence or within six months, setting out progress on this broad dialogue and specific actions requested, as well as identifying next steps.

Council requests the City Convener write to the newly appointed Transport Minister to welcome them to their post, update them on previous correspondence on these issues and the outcome of this Council motion, and invite them to attend a cross-party meeting to discuss the issues raised."

Councillor Ahmed, seconded by Councillor Docherty, moved as an amendment that:

(1) after the third paragraph insert the following:

"Council also notes the significant investment, through the Glasgow City Region Deal, to begin that culture change toward people-friendly environments, such as the Avenues programme, and the new Sighthill Bridge which seeks to repair the connection between that area and the city centre, and to provide safe, easy and sustainable access across the M8.";

(2) at the fifth paragraph after "full replacement;", add the following:

"that this investigation should provide a preliminary cost-benefit analysis for the Glasgow City Region, including the cost of ongoing maintenance of the asset and the potential health and economic benefits of further reducing

unnecessary private car usage, freeing up additional space for development and connecting communities;"; and

(3) from "To this end…" to the end be deleted and the following inserted:-

"Council notes the findings of the Connectivity Commission, specifically that the South Clyde Growth Corridor represents "some of the biggest traffic generators and strategic economic assets in the city region, but it also parallels the most congested section of the M8". Council therefore notes that the development of a Clyde Metro can, and will, allow a significant reduction in traffic and congestion across the M8, including the city centre junctions"

Therefore, Council resolves to write to the Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero, Energy and Transport and the Minister for Transport (or their successors), to:

- formally request Transport Scotland's involvement in, and a funding contribution towards, Glasgow City Council's research into reducing the impact of the M8 on Glasgow city centre;
- express its disappointment that the delivery plan for STPR2, which included Clyde Metro, has not yet been published, and urge Ministers to publish the delivery plan at the earliest opportunity; and
- express its belief that the speedy delivery of the first leg of Clyde Metro is an important component in a strategic plan to repair the damage done by the M8, deprivileging private car usage and giving public space back to people, which would allow reductions of the speed limit on city centre sections of the M8.

Council further resolves to bring a report on existing air quality monitoring taking place along the motorway to the relevant city policy committee within six months."

Bailie Thomas Kerr, seconded by Councillor Daly, moved as an amendment to delete all and replace with the following:

"Council notes that the M8 motorway is a key part of Glasgow and Scotland's road which connects people and businesses in our country.

Council believes that proposals to close the M8, introduce a Low Emission Zone on the M8 or to reduce the speed on the M8 to 30mph are not practical and would likely damage the city's economy and the jobs which people in our city rely on.

Council notes that many of those who undertake shift work, disabled people, those in trades and others rely on private vehicles as part of their day to day lives.

Council agrees that all steps should be undertaken to ensure that this Council supports the move towards electric and other alternative energy vehicles which will reduce the air quality impact from vehicular traffic particularly on key trunk and motorway routes and the areas which surrounds these.

Council further agrees that a report should be brought to the relevant committee about what steps can be taken to ensure that the streetscape of communities which adjoin the M8, M77 and M74 is discussed with those communities and potential improvements (and how these would be funded) are brought forward."

Bailie Mearns, with the approval of her seconder, accepted the amendment by Councillor Ahmed resulting in the following adjusted motion:

"Council acknowledges that car-centric transport design has created many significant negative impacts on quality of life for communities across Glasgow and the West of Scotland, particularly those bordering the M8 motorway, including ongoing physical barriers, unattractive and unsafe routes for walking, wheeling and cycling, and increased noise and air pollution.

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Council reaffirms recent commitments made in Glasgow's Strategic Plan 2022-2027 to reduce the impact of the M8 on the city centre and to explore longer-term replacement options; as well as commitments in Glasgow's City Centre Transport Plan to achieve a 30-40% reduction in peak-hour private car traffic in the city centre by 2030 as part of wider commitments in the Glasgow Transport Strategy to reduce car vehicle kilometres in the city by at least 30% and to "offer a more liveable, people friendly urban environment [which] uses its space and streets differently". Council notes that reversing the long-standing dominance of car use in favour of people-friendly environments is a significant challenge, however it is absolutely necessary in order to reduce health inequality, address climate change and to support a sustainable economy.

Council also notes the significant investment, through the Glasgow City Region Deal, to begin that culture change toward people-friendly environments, such as the Avenues programme, and the new Sighthill Bridge which seeks to repair the connection between that area and the city centre, and to provide safe, easy and sustainable access across the M8.

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Council believes that the public cost of maintaining an ageing motorway is so significant as to warrant further investigation of possible alternatives, including but not limited to, full replacement; that this investigation should provide a preliminary cost-benefit analysis for the Glasgow City Region, including the cost of ongoing maintenance of the asset and the potential health and economic benefits of further reducing unnecessary private car usage, freeing up additional space for development and connecting communities; and that public money should be spent on achieving incremental change and not simply maintaining the status quo. This will require close collaboration with external partners and an urgent commitment to work jointly to move forward these objectives.

Council further believes that it is time to reconsider whether a city centre motorway – very much a transport solution of the 1960s – is the right solution for the 2030s and beyond. Council notes that other cities around the world have in recent decades rethought their approach to major urban roads infrastructure, and considers that Glasgow may be able to draw learnings from experiences elsewhere.

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Council notes that requests made by the Convener of the Scottish Government include:

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Council instructs the Chief Executive to ensure that a paper is brought to the relevant committee upon receipt of return correspondence or within six months,

setting out progress on this broad dialogue and specific actions requested, as well as identifying next steps.

Council requests the City Convener write to the newly appointed Transport Minister to welcome them to their post, update them on previous correspondence on these issues and the outcome of this Council motion, request an update on the delivery plan for STPR2 including Clyde Metro, and invite them to attend a cross-party meeting to discuss the issues raised."

On a vote being taken electronically and by roll call, 2 members voted for the amendment by Bailie Thomas Kerr and 80 for the motion as adjusted which was accordingly declared to be carried.

Low Emission Zone – Motion dealt with, after division.

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

"Council notes that the City Administration Committee of 13th October 2022 agreed to a time-limited exemption for non-funded taxi operators with Low Emission Zone enforcement for this group not coming into effect until 1st June 2023. However, Council recognises the significant concern is continuing to be expressed by taxi operators and users of other vehicles regarding the ability to source compliant vehicles both due to supply chain delays and the macro-economic environment.

Council notes the concerns expressed by Unite Union Glasgow Cab Section that over 1,000 drivers could be lost as a result of retaining the 1st June 2023 enforcement date. Council considers that this would have a detrimental impact on the city's economy (particularly its night time economy) and on the ability for those with access needs and those who require night-time transport to be able to access the city for work and leisure.

Council notes that Scotland's other LEZ's are not due to start enforcement until 1st June 2024 (30th May 2024 in Dundee) and that reflecting the significant challenges facing many small and medium businesses at the moment, it would be prudent to align the full enforcement of Glasgow's LEZ with these other schemes.

Accordingly, this Council agrees that the full enforcement of Phase 2 should be delayed until 1st June 2024 and instructs the Chief Executive to make arrangements for this to occur."

Councillor Millar, seconded by Councillor Aitken, moved as an amendment to delete all and replace with the following:

"Council notes that air pollution in the city centre remains stubbornly high and in breach of statutory levels, and notes that these concentrations of air pollution contribute to poor health outcomes for Glaswegians, generational health inequalities, and an estimated 300 deaths in Glasgow each year. Council reaffirms that the introduction of a Low Emission Zone is an urgent public health intervention required to address Glasgow's longstanding air pollution crisis. Council welcomes

early findings of progress made as a result of phase 1 of the LEZ, and anticipates further progress as a result of phase 2.

Council further reaffirms that public hire taxis are an important part of Glasgow's public transport mix, and recognises the particular support required to help the taxi sector achieve compliance. Council notes that around £3million of public funding has been made available by the Scottish Government to date to support taxi operators in the Glasgow area to transition to compliance, including up to 80% grant funding for retrofit solutions.

Council recalls the mitigations and flexibilities it has provided in relation to LEZ enforcement for the taxi trade. Council recalls the decision of the City Administration Committee on 13th October 2022 to provide a time-limited exemption until June 2024 for taxi operators who can demonstrate they do not have access to a funded retrofit solution. Council further recalls the decision of the City Administration Committee on 10 March 2022 which provided for a time-limited exemption beyond June 2023 for operators who seek to access retrofit funding but who are not able to complete upgrades for reasons of capacity (either due to a lack of capacity within retrofit providers or due to lack of funding capacity within the Scottish Government's LEZ Support Fund).

Council notes that guidance giving effect to these exemptions and advising operators on how to apply has now been made publicly available. Council notes that this will merely require operators who are not yet LEZ compliant but who have access to a funded retrofit solution to evidence their expression of interest to the LEZ Support Fund, with an ultimate backstop to this time-limited exemption of June 2024. Council notes that the cumulative effect of these mitigations is that no taxi should be off the road in June 2023 as a result of LEZ enforcement, and that the sector has been given significant flexibility beyond this date to achieve compliance.

Council therefore instructs the Chief Executive to ensure continued preparations for general enforcement of the LEZ in June 2023, with provision made for all agreed exemptions, and to ensure that a report on progress on implementation of the LEZ is brought to the relevant committee by the end of this year."

Councillor Pidgeon, seconded by Councillor Jassemi, moved as an amendment that:

"Council notes the decision to begin general enforcement of the Low Emission Zone on 1st June 2023, despite an amendment by the Labour Group at City Administration Committee on 7th March 2022, and at Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee on 23rd March 2022, to delay enforcement until 1st June 2024, recognising the significant challenges being faced across the city and the need for certainty.

Council: reiterates its belief that the LEZ is an important and necessary measure; notes the recent evidence from the Mayor of London indicating that the expansion of the ULEZ there has had a transformational impact on air quality and, therefore, on the quality of living of those living there; and agrees that it is unacceptable for anyone in the City of Glasgow to live a shorter or poorer life due to avoidable air

pollution.

Council recognises that the taxi trade continues to be an important part of the city's economy and vital to helping people move around safely, however believes that the Scottish Government has not offered adequate funding to this industry through the funds administered by the Energy Savings Trust, and that this funding is disproportionately smaller than the funding made available to the bus companies operating within the city.

Council further recognises that, despite requests by this Council for additional public subsidy, there has not been funding of sufficient scale; that the failure to address the needs of key stakeholders rests solely with the Administration; and resolves to instruct Officers to make the necessary preparations to amend the Low Emissions Zone scheme to delay general enforcement until 1st June 2024."

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

"Council notes that as part of proposals to improve air quality and create a Greener Legacy, an initial plan was developed for "low emission zones" around the 10 venues at the Commonwealth Games in 2014. However, it emerged that it would not be possible to introduce these zones.

Council notes that in 2016 the Scottish Government promised to deliver Scotland's first Low Emission Zone (LEZ) by 2018, working closely with a local authority. In October 2017, it was confirmed that Glasgow would be home to Scotland's first LEZ.

Council acknowledges that progress was made when the City Administration Committee on 28th September 2017 agreed in principle to a LEZ being implemented by the end of 2018. It intended to accelerate action to tackle air pollution in the City Centre Air Quality Management Area and a delivery group was established towards the implementation of the LEZ. On 31st December 2018, Glasgow's LEZ, which only impacted on buses for the first 4 years, came into force. Council welcomes the restricting of the most polluting buses over the last few years, and this has already brought some big improvements to air quality in the city.

Council notes that during the public consultation period into the LEZ final scheme design in January 2021, 92% of objections received were from respondents identifying themselves as operators or drivers within the hackney taxi trade, including from Unite the Union Glasgow Cab Section. Following these representations from the taxi trade raising particular concerns around availability and cost of compliant vehicles, extensive funding was put in place to support taxi drivers to ensure their vehicles were compliant, or that they were in the process of making their vehicles compliant or purchasing a compliant vehicle, with 90% of the fleet in March 2022 either already compliant or eligible for retrofit funding. Increased funding was sought from the Scottish Government to ensure the viability of the taxi sector within Glasgow.

Council notes that under the original timescale for introduction of the LEZ, set out by the LEZ Leadership Group in August 2020, LEZs were to be operational in four Scottish cities by May 2022. A revised date for implementation of the LEZ in Glasgow for all vehicles from 31st December 2022 was presented to committee in March 2022. Due to the ongoing impact of the Covid19 pandemic, particularly on the taxi trade, this implementation date was further revised to 1st June 2023, with the full support of Council. Plans for a Low Emission Zone in Glasgow have been underway for a decade, and the introduction has been delayed significantly, with concerns from residents, business owners and especially the taxi trade sector listened to and reflected in the scheme design. We support the retaining of the 1 June 2023 as the enforcement date, which includes exemptions till 1st June 2024, with restrictions on cars and other vehicle types which will bring the pollution levels down further.

Council recalls its unanimous motion of May 2021 into air pollution, which noted that “"delay in reducing the levels of atmospheric air pollution is the cause of avoidable deaths”, and that the health impacts of polluted air are not felt evenly within our city. Nitrogen dioxide levels in Glasgow continue to exceed the health based objectives for nitrogen dioxide which were meant to have been achieved by 2005. The World Health Organisation has now said that nitrogen dioxide target should be a quarter of the current target to adequately reduce health risks. Without significantly decreasing emissions from road transport, the major cause of local air pollution, these health based objectives will continue to be breached for a considerable time to come. This also means that those who live, work and use our city centre for retail and leisure will continue to be subject to harmful levels of pollution with the associated impacts on their health. It should be noted that taxi drivers suffer particularly high personal exposure to air pollution and air quality improvements benefit them more than most other sectors of the population.

Council also recognises that it will be necessary in future years to strengthen the current LEZ emissions standards, noting the planned 2030 phase-out date for new petrol and diesel cars and the need to meet our local and national climate targets, and that this may lead to Low Emissions Zones becoming No Emissions Zones, therefore instructs officers to bring forward a paper to the appropriate committee, following the LEZ introduction, considering how that can be taken forward, learning lessons from the LEZ implementation, and how this could also complement Community Wealth Building and other relevant Council strategies.”

Councillors Millar and Wardrop, with the approval of their seconders, agreed to combine their amendments as follows:

“Council notes that air pollution in the city centre remains stubbornly high and in breach of statutory levels, and notes that these concentrations of air pollution contribute to poor health outcomes for Glaswegians, generational health inequalities, and an estimated 300 deaths in Glasgow each year.

Council notes that as part of proposals to improve air quality and create a Greener Legacy, an initial plan was developed for "low emission zones" around the 10 venues at the Commonwealth Games in 2014. However, it emerged that it would not be possible to introduce these zones.

Council notes that in 2016 the Scottish Government promised to deliver Scotland's first Low Emission Zone (LEZ) by 2018, working closely with a local authority. In October 2017, it was confirmed that Glasgow would be home to Scotland's first LEZ. Council reaffirms that the introduction of a Low Emission Zone is an urgent public health intervention required to address Glasgow's longstanding air pollution crisis.

Council acknowledges that progress was made when the City Administration Committee on 28th September 2017 agreed in principle to a LEZ being implemented by the end of 2018. It intended to accelerate action to tackle air pollution in the City Centre Air Quality Management Area and a delivery group was established towards the implementation of the LEZ. On 31st December 2018, Glasgow's LEZ, which only impacted on buses for the first 4 years, came into force. Council welcomes the restricting of the most polluting buses over the last few years, and this has already brought some big improvements to air quality in the city. Council welcomes early findings of progress made as a result of phase 1 of the LEZ, and anticipates further progress as a result of phase 2.

Council further reaffirms that public hire taxis are an important part of Glasgow's public transport mix, and recognises the particular support required to help the taxi sector achieve compliance. Council notes that during the public consultation period into the LEZ final scheme design in January 2021, 92% of objections received were from respondents identifying themselves as operators or drivers within the hackney taxi trade, including from Unite the Union Glasgow Cab Section. Following these representations from the taxi trade raising particular concerns around availability and cost of compliant vehicles, extensive funding was put in place to support taxi drivers to ensure their vehicles were compliant, or that they were in the process of making their vehicles compliant or purchasing a compliant vehicle, with 90% of the fleet in March 2022 either already compliant or eligible for retrofit funding. Increased funding was sought from the Scottish Government to ensure the viability of the taxi sector within Glasgow. Council notes that around £3million of public funding has been made available by the Scottish Government to date to support taxi operators in the Glasgow area to transition to compliance, including up to 80% grant funding for retrofit solutions.

Council recalls the mitigations and flexibilities it has provided for in relation to LEZ enforcement for the taxi trade. Council recalls the decision of the City Administration Committee on 13th October 2022 to provide a time-limited exemption until June 2024 for taxi operators who can demonstrate they do not have access to a funded retrofit solution. Council further recalls the decision of the City Administration Committee on 10th March 2022 which provided for a time-limited exemption beyond June 2023 for operators who seek to access retrofit funding but who are not able to complete upgrades for reasons of capacity (either due to a lack of capacity within retrofit providers, or due to lack of funding capacity within the Scottish Government's LEZ Support Fund).

Council notes that guidance giving effect to these exemptions and advising operators of how apply has now been made publicly available. Council notes that this will merely require operators who are not yet LEZ compliant but who have

access to a funded retrofit solution to evidence their expression of interest to the LEZ Support Fund, with an ultimate backstop to this time-limited exemption of June 2024. Council notes that the cumulative effect of these mitigations is that no taxi should be off the road in June 2023 as a result of LEZ enforcement, and that the sector has been given significant flexibility beyond this date to achieve compliance.

Council notes that under the original timescale, LEZs were to be operational in four Scottish cities by May 2020 with grace periods for enforcement 31st December 2022. Council notes that the impact of the Covid19 pandemic, including on the taxi trade, saw this implementation date further revised to 1st June 2023 with the full support of Council. Plans for a Low Emission Zone in Glasgow have been underway for a decade, and the introduction has been delayed significantly, with concerns from residents, business owners and especially the taxi trade sector listened to and reflected in the scheme design.

Council therefore instructs the Chief Executive to ensure continued preparations for general enforcement of the LEZ in June 2023, with provision made for all agreed exemptions, and to ensure that a report on progress on implementation of the LEZ is brought to the relevant committee by the end of this year."

Councillor Daly, with the approval of his seconder, accepted the amendment by Councillor Pidgeon resulting in the following adjusted motion:

"Council notes the decision to begin general enforcement of the Low Emission Zone on 1st June 2023, despite an amendment by the Labour Group at City Administration Committee on 7th March 2022, and at Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee on 23rd March 2022, to delay enforcement until 1st June 2024, recognising the significant challenges being faced across the city and the need for certainty.

Council: reiterates its belief that the LEZ is an important and necessary measure; notes the recent evidence from the Mayor of London indicating that the expansion of the ULEZ there has had a transformational impact on air quality and, therefore, on the quality of living of those living there; and agrees that it is unacceptable for anyone in the City of Glasgow to live a shorter or poorer life due to avoidable air pollution.

Council recognises that the taxi trade continues to be an important part of the city's economy and vital to helping people move around safely, however believes that the Scottish Government has not offered adequate funding to this industry through the funds administered by the Energy Savings Trust, and that this funding is disproportionately smaller than the funding made available to the bus companies operating within the city.

Council further recognises that, despite requests by this Council for additional public subsidy, there has not been funding of sufficient scale; that the failure to address the needs of key stakeholders rests solely with the Administration; and resolves to instruct Officers to make the necessary preparations to amend the Low Emissions Zone scheme to delay general enforcement until 1st June 2024."

On a vote being taken electronically and by roll call, 46 members voted for the combined amendment by Councillors Millar and Wardrop and 37 for the motion as adjusted.

The combined amendment by Councillors Millar and Wardrop was accordingly declared to be carried.

Adjournment.

16 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 8(f), 8(g), 8(h) and 8(i).

Senior Councillors' Allowances 2023/24 as at 1st April 2023

Appendix 1

	Senior Councillors	Remuneration
1	Depute Leader and City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion	£43,778.98
2	Business Manager and City Convener for Open Government	£43,778.98
3	Deputy Lord Provost	£33,454.40
4	City Convener for Communities and Equalities	£37,523.54
5	City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations (and Chair of Glasgow Life)	£37,523.54
6	City Convener for Education and Early Years	£37,523.54
7	City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets	£37,523.54
8	City Convener for Workforce and Homelessness and Addiction Services	£37,523.54
9	City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery	£37,523.54
10	City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use	£37,523.54
11	City Convener for Health, Care and Caring and Older People (and Chair or Vice Chair of IJB)	£28,566.16
12	Chair of Contracts and Property Committee	£28,566.16
13	Chair of Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee	£28,566.16
14	Chair of Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee	£28,566.16
15	Chair of Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee	£28,566.16
16	Chair of Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee	£28,566.16
17	Chair of Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee	£28,566.16
18	Chair of Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee	£28,566.16
19	Chair of Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee	£28,566.16
20	Chair of Licensing and Regulatory Committee	£28,566.16
21	Chair of Planning Applications Committee	£28,566.16
22	Convener of Licensing	£28,566.16
23	Leader of Opposition (Labour)	£28,566.16
24	Co-Leader of Green Group	£28,566.16
	TOTAL	£783,603
	Total Budget available (maximum 24)	£783,924

Senior Councillors' Maximum 24 (Excluding Leader and Civic Head)

	Leader and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition	£60,304
	Civic Head	£45,228
	Leader and Civic Head Total	£105,532

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 23rd March 2023.

City Administration Committee.

Present: Susan Aitken (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Richard Bell, Philip Braat, Christina Cannon, Allan Casey, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Greg Hepburn, Dan Hutchison, Ruairi Kelly, Matt Kerr, Thomas Kerr, Frank McAveety, Elaine McDougall, Kenny McLean, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Cecilia O'Lone, Jill Pidgeon, George Redmond, Soryia Siddique and Martha Wardrop.

Also present: Anne McTaggart.

Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); A O'Donnell, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; I Robertson, Director of City Development; B Monaghan, Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; C Edgar, Head of Communications and Strategic Partnerships; M McGinty, Head of Corporate Policy and Governance; and S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

UK Shared Prosperity Fund – Funding approved.

1 With reference to the minutes of the Economy, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee of 7th March 2023 (Print 6, page 617) noting an update on the Glasgow Employability programme, Councillor Aitken, Leader of the Council and Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition, presented a report regarding an update on the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) under the People and Skills investment priority to support the delivery of the Glasgow Employability programme, advising that

(1) the management of activities under the People and Skills investment priority to support the Council's Employability Pipeline for 2023/24 and 2024/25 would be led by Economic Development and funding would support a range of employability actions aimed at those furthest from the labour market or experiencing in-work poverty;

(2) funding from the People and Skills investment complemented the funding the Council received from the Scottish Government through 2 principle employability funds, namely No One Left Behind (NOLB) and Parental Employability Support funding;

(3) the European Social Fund (ESF) support which had provided funding for the Council's Employability Pipeline would end on 31st March 2023 and ESF funding for 2022/23 totalled £1.9m, with match funding being provided from a

combination of the Council, the NOLB fund and delivery agents' own resources;

(4) it was proposed that UKSPF People and Skills investment would be through 2 phases, as detailed in the report, with phase 1 being the continuation of ESF activity and phase 2 being the delivery of the UKSPF Employability Programme; and

(5) the strategic leadership and governance of the employability programme would be provided by the Local Employability Partnership and its remit was to ensure the co-design, co-commissioning and monitoring of city-wide provision with its membership comprised of key strategic employability partners and was Chaired by the Council.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved

(i) the use of £2.4m of Glasgow's allocation under the UKSPF to continue employability activity previously funded through ESF into 2023/24; and

(ii) the proposed timeline and processes for phase 2, including the use of £4.3m of UKSPF as detailed in the report; and

(b) noted that progress reports would be submitted annually to the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee.

Shared Prosperity Fund – Glasgow Communities and Place Fund – Award of funding approved – Declaration of interest.

2 With reference to the minutes of 13th October 2022 (Print 4, page 436) approving the setting up of a Glasgow Communities and Place Fund (GCPF) using £6m of Glasgow's allocation under the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF), Councillor Aitken, Leader of the Council and Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition, presented a report regarding the processes used for the GCPF, advising that

(1) the application portal for the GCPF had opened on 3rd November 2022, with 81 applications being received by the deadline of 12th December 2022 and following organisational checks carried out by the Grants and Initiatives team and eligibility checks undertaken by Economic Development, 9 applications were rejected and 1 application withdrawn;

(2) in January 2023 awards from the Glasgow Communities Fund (GCF) were made which resulted in 34 organisations who had applied under GCPF being successful under GCF and that these organisations had been contacted to ascertain whether they wished to pursue their GCPF application;

(3) following assessment there had been 71 eligible applications who were seeking a total of £26.1m of grant funding set against an available budget of £6m which meant that only a minority of applications could be supported with the projects recommended for approval, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;

(4) in order to maximise the available budget and offer support to as many projects as possible, a slight overcommitment of £145,656 (2.4% greater than the overall £6m available) was proposed; and

(5) all projects would be closely monitored and as underspends were identified these would be applied to reduce and eradicate the overcommitment and, in the unlikely event that sufficient underspend was not identified, Economic Development would underwrite to support the approved programme of projects from within the overall UKSPF programme.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the Glasgow Communities and Place Fund award recommendations from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2025, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; and

(b) noted the applications not recommended for funding following the assessment process, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report.

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

Children's Services Planning Partnership – Whole Family Wellbeing Fund plan noted – Acceptance of funding approved etc.

3 Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund (WFWF), advising

(1) that the Scottish Government's £500m WFWF had been established in 2021/22 to transform the way that family support was delivered, as detailed in the report;

(2) of the specific criteria that local authorities had for the provision of WFWF and its guiding principles for the use of this resource, known as the National Principles for Holistic Whole Family Support, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;

(3) that an initial tranche of funding to support this work had been made available to local authorities to hold and manage on behalf of the local Children's Services Planning Partnership (Glasgow's Children's Services Executive Group) and that an allocation of approximately £19m over 4 years had been offered to Glasgow and it was proposed that the Council accepted the offer;

(4) that the provision of WFWF to local authorities came with specific criteria that governed how the resources would be used and the process by which decisions on funding would be made;

(5) that the Council and partnership working had already evidenced strong successes as a result of prevention and early intervention activities and a specific focus on system change in relation to looked after and accommodated children had seen dramatic improvements in service delivery across Children's Services, as detailed in the report;

(6) that agreement on the use of WFWF rested with the Children's Services Executive Group in Glasgow and the partnership had undertaken extensive consultation with the public and third sector stakeholders to agree how best to build on progress made to date; and

(7) of the governance arrangements for the fund.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted

(i) the overview of the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund, including the purpose of the Fund;

(ii) the successes to date in relation to prevention and early intervention activity, the emerging plan for the use of the Fund and the criteria and guiding principles that would inform allocation; and

(iii) that an annual performance report and updates on the use of funding would be submitted to the appropriate committee; and

(b) approved

(i) acceptance of the funding from the Scottish Government; and

(ii) the governance arrangements for the fund, including delegated authority to the Chief Executive and the Executive Director of Finance.

Non-Domestic Rates Empty Property Relief – Proposals approved.

4 Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding an update on changes to the Non-Domestic Rates (NDR) Empty Property Relief Regulations with effect from 1st April 2023, advising that

(1) the NDR, sometimes referred to as Business Rates was a property-based tax levied on business premises and was used to fund local services provided by the Council, including those provided to businesses;

(2) the regulations in force until 31st March 2023 prescribed that all empty NDR properties could be entitled on application to 50% relief for the first 3 months they were empty, with a 10% discount being applicable thereafter, however there were some exceptions where different timeframes and relief values could be applied, as detailed in the report;

(3) with effect from 1st April 2023, Scottish local authorities could adjust the value of NDR Empty Property Relief, however the award value and criteria must be formally agreed each year, however due to the time required to undertake an options appraisal, including stakeholder engagement, consideration by committee and then to allow time for the changes to be implemented and tested in the NDR system, the only feasible option for 2023/24 would be to continue with the current scheme;

(4) the Scottish Government had allocated £105m to local authorities as part of the 2023/24 local government settlement, with Glasgow's share of that being £28.5m and taking into account expected increases in demand and the rate poundage from 2021/22, an estimate of £25.5m was forecast for 2023/24 with the balance of £3m being used to reduce the spending gap when setting the 2023/24 budget; and

(5) of the proposed options to be considered for reviewing the current scheme during 2023/24.

After consideration, the committee agreed to

(a) continue to award Empty Property Relief in line with the current regulations from 1st April 2023; and

(b) conduct a wider review of options for further consideration of potential changes to be implemented from 1st April 2024.

City centre property repurposing action plan approved.

5 With reference to the minutes of the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee of 7th March 2023 (Print 6, page 615) when it was agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the city centre's property repurposing plan, Councillor Millar, Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery, presented a report regarding the plan, advising that

(1) the collective impact of the pandemic, changing investor and occupier demands, and digital/technological advances had resulted in a significant vacancy issue for Glasgow city centre, with an estimated 20% (3.5 million square feet) of property stock requiring to be repurposed;

(2) Ryden had been commissioned through the Glasgow Chamber of Commerce to better understand the impact of the pandemic on the city centre economy

and property sector and each recommendation in the Ryden report had proposed an action, as detailed in Appendix A to the report; and

(3) the action plan would be overseen by the City Centre Task Force in advance of an updated governance structure being introduced for the new City Centre Strategy.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the property repurposing action plan, as detailed in the report;

(b) agreed that the Council make representation, as required to the Scottish Government with respect to exploring the scope for additional powers to be granted at local level; and

(c) noted that the intention was to incorporate the action plan into the new City Centre Strategy from January 2024.

Sustainable Procurement Strategy 2023-27 approved.

6 With reference to the minutes of the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee of 2nd March 2023 (Print 6, page 613) when it was agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the Sustainable Procurement Strategy 2023-27, Councillor Kelly, Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets, presented the strategy, advising

(1) that the strategy had been developed, as required by section 15 of the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014, to support the Council's challenges, missions and commitments, as set out in the Council's Strategic Plan 2022-27;

(2) that the development of the strategy had been taken forward by a short-term cross party working group, which comprised of representatives across all groups and had been chaired by the Chair of the Contracts and Property Committee, with support from the Head of Corporate Procurement and the Head of Commissioning, Social Work Services;

(3) that the development of the strategy had been informed by 2 consultations, with the first seeking feedback regarding the delivery and performance of the Corporate Procurement and Commercial Improvement Strategy 2018-22 and the second seeking comments from Glasgow citizens via a consultation hub on the proposed vision, mission, key objectives and supporting actions of the strategy;

(4) that the strategy set out the vision, objectives and actions which would direct and govern procurement activities for this Council for 2023-27 and focused on 6 key strategic objectives, as detailed in the report; and

(5) of the governance and performance reporting arrangements for the strategy.

After consideration, the committee approved the Sustainable Procurement Strategy 2023-27.

Free personal and nursing care payments rates, personal expenses allowances and charging policy for 2023/24 approved.

7 Councillor Cunningham, Convener for Health, Care & Caring and Older People, presented a report regarding a revised social care charging policy for 2023/24, advising that

(1) the Scottish Government had revised the free personal and nursing care payment rates for 2023/24 and that from 1st April 2023 these rates would increase from £212.85 to £233.10 per week for personal care and from £95.80 to £104.90 per week for nursing care, and that the cost of this uplift would be £0.635m which would be funded from the additional monies provided by the Scottish Government to integration authorities in 2023/24;

(2) the Department for Work and Pensions had increased the minimum personal expenses allowance from £31 to £32.65 per week from 10th April 2023;

(3) the UK's telecommunications regulator had announced that the UK would transition from dual analogue and digital telephony to digital only by 2025 and this would see the decommissioning of analogue phone lines, with no new analogue lines to be installed beyond Summer 2023 which presented a strategic risk to Glasgow's telecare service which ran on analogue lines and it was proposed that a telecare digital transformation charge of £7.50 per week be introduced to partially offset the increased cost of digital connectivity as service users moved from analogue to digital;

(4) the Council had a legal duty to undertake adoption assessments for residents of Glasgow who wished to adopt from overseas and it was proposed that to ensure full cost recovery of this service that the charge for a single application be £10,205 and £10,505 for a couple;

(5) local authorities determined the amount of disposable income in excess of the minimum income threshold (including the buffer) which would be taken into account when determining the level of service user charge which was achieved by the application of a percentage, known as taper and to increase the income raised through charging, it was proposed that the taper be increased from 50% to 75%, as detailed in the report; and

(6) the Social Care Charging Policy, as detailed in Appendix A to the report set out the Council's Social Work Services charging policy with a focus on non-residential charging, together with the legislative background to charges for non-residential social care services and described the services to which service user contributions applied, together with minimum income thresholds and tapers, and had been updated to reflect various changes.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved

(i) the telecare digital transition charge;

(ii) the increase to the intercountry adoption assessment fees;

(iii) the increase in the taper; and

(iv) the revised Social Care Charging Policy, as detailed in Appendix A to the report; and

(b) noted the free personal and nursing care payment rates from 1st April 2023 and the increase in the personal expenses allowance from 10th April 2023.

Financial flexibility – Changes to Service Concessions approved.

8 C There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Financial Services regarding the impact of recent changes to the treatment of service concessions and the associated accounting and financial implications for the Council, advising

(1) that the Scottish Government Finance Circular 10/2022 – Accounting for Service Concession Arrangements, Leases and Similar Arrangements provided the Council with flexibility to realign the pattern of debt repayments associated with such arrangements to reflect the asset lives of the relevant assets rather that the contractual terms of individual arrangements;

(2) that the Council operated a number of service concessions as defined by these regulations, including Schools Public Private Partnership and Schools Design, Build, Finance, Maintain model developed by the Scottish Government and in each case the Council had accounted for these schemes in line with proper accounting practice, as detailed in the report;

(3) that the Scottish Government's revised accounting arrangements allowed local authorities to realign debt payments charged to the Council's General Fund to reflect the useful life of the asset and not the contractual period of the agreements; and

(4) of the impact of the new regulations on the Council's service concession arrangements and the financial impact.

After consideration, the committee approved the

(a) adoption of the reprofiling methodology, as detailed in the report and the associated financial implications; and

(b) application of benefits, as detailed in the report.

Glasgow Communities Fund – Area budget allocations 2023/24 approved.

9 With reference to the minutes of the Council of 16th February 2023 (Print 6, page 581 approving the Revenue Estimates for 2023/24, including the Glasgow Communities Fund area budget for 2023/24 and the budget provision for the Central Playscheme and Transport, there was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding the proposed allocations to each of the area partnerships and the budget provision for the Central Playscheme and Transport, advising of the

(1) proposed budget allocation for 2023/24 for each of the area partnerships; and

(2) allocation of £65,265 of funding for 2023/24 to support the transport for playschemes where children with additional support needs attended and the provision of travel passes to playschemes and qualifying Out of School Care organisations city-wide.

After consideration, the committee approved the

(a) 2023/24 area budget allocations to area partnerships, as detailed in the Appendix to these minutes; and

(b) Central Playscheme and Transport support budget 2023/24.

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Garscadden/Scotstounhill(Ward 13)	£ 87,055.61
Drumchapel/Anniesland (Ward 14)	£ 84,175.15
Maryhill (Ward 15)	£ 66,443.71
Canal (Ward 16)	£ 108,959.02
Springburn/Robroyston (Ward 17)	£ 100,319.59
East Centre (Ward 18)	£ 114,591.36
Shettleston (Ward 19)	£ 72,339.21
Baillieston (Ward 20)	£ 63,838.30
North East (Ward 21)	£ 88,194.44
Dennistoun (Ward 22)	£ 65,664.51
Partick East/Kelvindale (Ward 23)	£ 60,248.20
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Springburn/Robroyston (Ward 17)	£ 100,319.59
East Centre (Ward 18)	£ 114,591.36
Shettleston (Ward 19)	£ 72,339.21
Baillieston (Ward 20)	£ 63,838.30
North East (Ward 21)	£ 88,194.44
Dennistoun (Ward 22)	£ 65,664.51
Partick East/Kelvindale (Ward 23)	£ 60,248.20
Total	**£1,799,721.19**

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 6th April 2023.

City Administration Committee.

Present: Susan Aitken (Chair), Richard Bell, Saqib Ahmed, Philip Braat, Christina Cannon, Allan Casey, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, John Daly (substitute for Thomas Kerr), Patricia Ferguson (substitute for Cecilia O'Lone), Dan Hutchison, Ruairi Kelly, Matt Kerr, Frank McAveety, Elaine McDougall, Kenny McLean, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Jill Pidgeon, Anne McTaggart (substitute for Greg Hepburn), George Redmond, Soryia Siddique and Martha Wardrop.

Also present: Chief Inspector Aiden Higgins, Police Scotland.

Apologies: Greg Hepburn, Thomas Kerr and Cecilia O'Lone.

Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); A O'Donnell, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; E Galletly, Director of Legal and Administration; C Edgar, Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships; T Jackson (for the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities); S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; and B Garrett (for the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life).

Social Care Pay Uplift 2023/24 and additional uplift to National Care Home Contract 2022/23 approved.

1 Councillor Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care & Caring and Older People, presented a report regarding a proposed uplift to the providers of Glasgow Purchased Services from 10th April 2023 and an additional uplift to the National Care Home Contract (NCHC) Nursing Rate from 11th April 2022, advising that

(1) the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Economy had announced on 15th December 2022 that a pay uplift for adult social care workers would be delivered from April 2023;

(2) further investment of £100m for Local Government had been announced as part of the Scottish Budget for 2023/24 to support the delivery of an increase of the minimum hourly rate for workers providing direct adult social care, within

commissioned services, from at least £10.50 to at least £10.90 per hour from April 2023;

(3) it was proposed to increase all Social Care providers in Glasgow Purchased Services by a 3.8% uplift to an agreed percentage (national weighting) of full contract values, in line with typical full workforce costs for adult social care;

(4) as part of the Integrated Joint Board's (IJB) budget for 2022/23, provision had been made to uplift providers of Children and Families Purchased Services in Glasgow to bring this staff group in line with adult social care workers;

(5) it was proposed that providers of residential care received a 3.8% uplift to the full contract value in recognition of the exceptional energy prices being experienced in this sector;

(6) this committee on 9th June 2022 (Print 1, page 224), agreed to apply an uplift rate of 5.38% to nursing care and 5.58% to residential care, following approval at the IJB on 27th April 2022;

(7) to reflect the increase in the pay settlement for registered nurses, the nursing rate had been increased to £838.12 per week, there was no increase to the residential rate which remained at £719.50 per week and that the increased rates attached at Appendix 2 were applicable from 11th April 2022 and would be applied to both the NCHC and the other commissioned services within Appendix 2; and

(8) the Social Care Pay Uplift would cost £6.694m and provision had been made to fund this within the IJBs budget for 2023/24 and that the cost of the additional uplift to the NCHC nursing rate was £0.626m and would be funded from within the 2022/23 IJB budget.

After consideration, the committee

(a) agreed that

(i) the Council would offer a 3.8% uplift to an agreed percentage of full contract values, in line with typical full workforce costs, to providers of non-residential Social Care within Glasgow Purchased Services;

(ii) the Council would offer a 3.8% uplift to full contract values to providers of residential care in recognition of the exceptional energy prices being experienced in this sector;

(iii) to vary the National Care Home Contract to reflect the increase to the nursing rate, as detailed in the report; and

(iv) to apply the National Care Home Contract to commissioned services, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report; and

(b) noted that (i) and (ii) above would be subject to Providers confirming that they would pay staff at least £10.90 per hour from 10th April 2023

Resource and recycling policies approved.

2 Councillor Kelly, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets, presented a report regarding a requirement to review and develop new policies to assist with the management of the Council's resource management and recycling collection services, advising that

(1) implementation of policies to assist the management of waste and recycling within the city would contribute to improving the quality and quantity of materials captured within recycling services and supported the Council to align with national policy requirements such as the Charter for Household Recycling and the supporting Code of Practice (CoP);

(2) current practice adopted for service delivery, including the use of contamination stickers/tags for placement on bins by collection crews when the wrong material had been placed in recycling bins, required formalised procedures and the policy papers accompanying the report sought to address this issue;

(3) this committee on 3rd June 2021 (Print 2, page 93), approved the Resource and Recycling Strategy (RRS) 2020-30 which set out a framework for developing the city's recycling and waste services over the next 10 years and was underpinned by a number of actions, as detailed in the report;

(4) in addition to the commitment within the RRS action plan and the aim to align with the guidance within the Charter for Household Recycling CoP, the implementation of policies would assist to ensure that services were operated transparently and fairly which could encourage householders to participate in services to maximise the quality and quantity of materials collected for recycling; and

(5) the adoption of policies for contamination and bin containment would help to support the implementation of the Council's RRS and contributed towards meeting the Council's Climate Change aspirations and that in addition, this would further align Council services to the requirements of the Charter for Household Recycling.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) approved the implementation of waste policies to assist the management of waste and resources within the city, as detailed in the appendices to the report.

UCI Cycling World Championships 2023 – Increase in contribution agreed.

3 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive regarding progress with the delivery of the 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships, advising that

(1) the 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships would take place in Glasgow and across Scotland in August 2023 and that these inaugural Championships would be delivered in collaboration between the UCI (the international cycling federation), Scottish Government, Glasgow, UK Sport and British Cycling;

(2) being the first ever hosts of this event, which would become the pinnacle of the international cycling competition calendar, would cement Glasgow's reputation as a global event destination and top 5 Ultimate Sporting City;

(3) this committee on 24th January 2019 (Print 6, page 484) approved £15m of funding for the 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships, £12m directly to Cycling World Championships Ltd as a contribution to the total budget and a retained £3m for a city activation programme, managed by Glasgow Life;

(4) the pandemic and the recent high rates of inflation had put significant financial pressure on the project and significant savings had been achieved, however it was the case that the total budget for the project would need to be increased;

(5) in order to help bridge the budget gap, additional funding from Principal Funders was also considered to be required and the Scottish Government had increased its contribution by £5.6m, UK Sport had agreed to increase its contribution by £0.5m and partners had requested that the Council also increased its contribution; and

(6) it was proposed to increase the Council's contribution by £1m and that this would be taken from the Culture and Recreation Fund.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) approved an increase in the Council's contribution of £1m, to be taken from the Culture and Recreation Fund.

Draft Local Policing Plan for Glasgow 2023-26 approved.

4 There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding a draft Local Policing Plan for the City of Glasgow 2023-26, advising that the Safe Glasgow Partnership on 16th March 2023 had considered the plan and agreed that the Plan for Police Scotland reflected the needs and expectations of the Council and the city, with the plan now submitted to this committee for approval.

After consideration, the committee

(1) noted the report; and

(2) approved the 3-year draft Local Policing Plan for the City of Glasgow 2023-26, subject to the inclusion under the heading “Objective: Support our communities through a blend of local and national expertise, Activity 6 and 7” reference to providing support and guidance to women and girls from black and minority ethnic backgrounds affected by crime and also a reference to working with stakeholders including British Transport Police and public transport providers to improve the safety of our road and transport network.

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 20th April 2023.

City Administration Committee.

Present: Susan Aitken (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Philip Braat, Christina Cannon, Allan Casey, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Greg Hepburn, Dan Hutchison, Ruairi Kelly, Alex Kerr (substitute for Richard Bell), Matt Kerr, Frank McAveety, Elaine McDougall, Kenny McLean, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Jill Pidgeon, George Redmond, Soryia Siddique and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Richard Bell and Thomas Kerr.

Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); A O'Donnell, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; I Robertson, Director of City Development; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; C Edgar, Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships; M McGinty, Head of Corporate Policy and Governance; A Eccles (for the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership); A Olney (for the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life); and J Boyd, Audit Scotland.

UK Shared Prosperity Fund Multiply programme – Allocation of funding approved.

1 With reference to the minutes of 18th August 2022 (Print 2, page 283) approving proposals for the Glasgow component of the Glasgow City Region UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) Investment Plan and the approach to the internal governance of the UKSPF, Bailie Christie, City Convener of Culture, Sport and International Relations, presented a report regarding the implementation of the UKSPF Multiply programme, advising that

(1) Glasgow Life had assumed the lead role in managing the UKSPF Multiply programme and would act on behalf of the Council to manage, monitor and report on Glasgow's allocation of the UKSPF Multiply programme for 2023-25;

(2) the UK Government had made no agreement to carry forward underspend from 2022/23 UKSPF Multiply allocations and officers were working with UK Government officials on a carry forward proposal which would be presented to the Glasgow City Region Cabinet in May 2023 and once approved follow up work to identify programmes against unallocated funds in 2022/23 would commence immediately, with delivering through a targeted approach, working with Community Learning and Development partners to identify gaps in adult numeracy provision;

(3) Glasgow Life was a leading adult learning provider who as well as managing the programme, would take on the role in delivering activity and that the

funding for this element would be drawn directly from the delivery costs allocation, ensuring that appropriate resources were secured for it to deliver multiply programmes and removing Glasgow Life from the competitive funding process and any associated conflict of interest;

(4) Glasgow Colleges played a central role in partnership working in Glasgow, collaborating with Glasgow Life, the Local Employability Partnership and other partnership organisations on a range of programmes and initiatives and were in a strong position to deliver against several specific multiply outcomes in both college and community settings;

(5) Glasgow Life had facilitated joint meetings with Glasgow Clyde College, the City of Glasgow College and Glasgow Kelvin College to support a partnership approach in shaping and agreeing programmes and costs and it was proposed that these 3 colleges entered into an agreement with Glasgow Life;

(6) the Glasgow Multiply Grant scheme was the key method of distributing funds to formally constituted Third Sector organisations, registered charities, Community Interest Companies and Housing Associations to deliver programmes against a range of multiply outcomes and the scheme was designed by Glasgow Life to support projects to expand adult learning provision and offer opportunities for improving adults' numeracy skills with awards of between £20,000 and £200,000 being available across the 2 financial years of 2023/24 and 2024/25, with a maximum of £100,000 per year, subject to satisfactory performance;

(7) applications had been invited from adult learning providers across the city to deliver formal and non-formal innovative numeracy learning courses and a total of 21 applications had been received, seeking over £2,735,000 in funding from the available budget of £2,936,860 for 2023-25; and

(8) applications had been assessed by a panel, chaired by Glasgow Life and comprising of representatives from Glasgow Life, the Council, Glasgow Clyde College and the Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector and following assessment, 16 applications had been recommended for funding in 2023/24, with 12 of these applications also being recommended for funding in 2024/25 and 5 applications not recommended for funding at this stage.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the programme of recommendations for funding from the Glasgow Shared Prosperity Fund Multiply programme from 1st May 2023 to 31st March 2025, as detailed in the report; and

(b) noted

(i) the progress to date on the impliementation of the Glasgow Shared Prosperity Fund Multiply programme; and

(ii) the applications not recommended for funding from the Glasgow Shared Prosperity Fund Multiply programme, as detailed in the report.

Sustrans Places for Everyone Fund – Acceptance of external funding approved.

2 Councillor Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery, presented a report regarding the proposed acceptance of Sustrans Places for Everyone funding, advising that

(1) this committee on 24th February 2022 (Print 7, page 504) had approved the acceptance of £3,075,000 of funding from the Places for Everyone Fund for the continuation of Connecting Communities to progress work on the Liveable Neighbourhoods Tranche 2 and 3 Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) stage 0-2 which would be 100% funded from the Places for Everyone Fund;

(2) in October 2022, the Council had submitted 12 applications for funding from the Sustrans Places for Everyone Fund (RIBA stage 3 and 4) (Developing Design and Technical Design) and the continued development of the Liveable Neighbourhoods programme and that City Network would make an important contribution to the Council's priorities by providing the policy context that supported the development of transport and neighbourhood interventions that put Connectivity, People and Places as first choice; and

(3) at the end of March 2023, Sustrans announced the outcome for funding applications, with the Council being successful in obtaining £233,978 for the Drummy Railway (RIBA stage 3 and 4), £429,638 for the Saracen Street (RIBA stage 3 and 4), £528,826 for the Cessnock Village Strip (RIBA stage 3 and 4), £136,504 for the Florishing Molendinar (RIBA stage 4) and £2,295,000 for the Govan City Network (RIBA stage 3 and 4).

After consideration, the committee approved the acceptance of £3,623,946 from the Places for Everyone Fund.

Annual Audit Report 2021/22 noted.

3 With reference to the minutes of the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee of 19th April 2023 (page 127 hereof), there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Finance regarding the Annual Audit Report 2021/22, advising that

(1) Schedule 6 of the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020 extended the administrative deadlines for local government bodies to submit accounts for audit, and also for consideration and approval of audited accounts; and

(2) the audit had now been completed by Audit Scotland and the Council must now consider the audited annual accounts for 2021/22.

After consideration and having heard Mr John Boyd, Audit Scotland, the committee noted the Auditor's annual audit report for 2021/22.

Annual Accounts 2021/22 approved.

4 With reference to the minutes of the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee of 19th April 2023 (page 127 hereof), there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Finance regarding the Annual Accounts 2021/22,

(1) advising that Schedule 6 of the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020 had extended the administrative deadlines for local government bodies to submit accounts for audit, and also the consideration and approval of audited accounts; and

(2) highlighting the contents of the accounts, the key financial outcomes and that the accounts had been updated to take account of a number of adjustments identified during the audit.

After consideration and having regard to the Annual Audit Report, the committee approved the Annual Governance Statement and the audited Annual Accounts 2021/22 for signature.

Banking and treasury management arrangements - Updated list of authorised signatories approved.

5 With reference to the minutes of 12th March 2020 (Print 7, page 569) approving a list of authorised signatories to meet the operational banking and treasury management arrangements of the Council, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Finance, advising of proposed amendments to the list of officers authorised to sign various documents in connection with banking and treasury management arrangements.

After consideration, the committee approved the following list of authorised signatories:-

Mr M Booth	Executive Director of Finance
Ms M Johnston	Director of Financial and Business Services
Mr S Crichton	Head of Corporate Finance
Ms C Duncan	Chief Accountant
Ms C Earl	Chief Accountant
Ms A Ross	Chief Accountant
Mr C McGuire	Chief Accountant
Ms A M Campbell	Finance Manager
Mr P Murphy	Finance Manager
Mr I Bell	Finance Manager
Mr S Tough	Finance Manager
Ms M Butler	Finance Manager
Ms S MacLean	Finance Manager

Ms M Carrigan	Head of Service Development

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

Hybrid meeting, 18th April 2023.

Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee.

Present: Martha Wardrop (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Eva Bolander, Graham Campbell, Anthony Carroll, Allan Casey, Laura Doherty, Sean Ferguson, Ann Jenkins, Jill Pigeon (substitute for Robert Mooney), Linda Pike and Soryia Siddique.

Also present: Kenny McLean and Angus Millar.

Apology: Robert Mooney.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); I Robertson, Director of City Development; and P Kane (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

City Centre Recovery plan 2022-24 – Update noted.

1 With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee of 2nd December 2021 (Print 6, page 414) approving the City Centre Recovery Plan (CCRP) 2022-24, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the progress of the plan, advising

(1) that the CCRP superseded the City Centre Strategy 2014-19 and would inform the city centre regeneration priorities until a new City Centre Strategy 2024-30 was in place and that these documents were supported by the City Centre Strategic Development Framework which provided a strategic outline for future actions within Glasgow city centre against a range of identified ambitions;

(2) of the progress of the CCRP to March 2023;

(3) of the projects being delivered this year with Scottish Government recovery funding;

(4) of the progress of the CCRP action plan, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;

(5) that the Scottish City Centre Recovery Task Force had set up 7 thematic workstreams, as detailed in the report and this Council was leading on how national policy, legislation, regulation and investment options should be redirected to deliver more residential outcomes in the city centre as well as inputting to the other workstreams as required;

(6) that despite the pressures on Glasgow city centre over the period since 2020, it could be acknowledged that while significant issues remained, good progress overall had been made in terms of recovery; and

(7) of the next steps.

After consideration and having heard a presentation by Stuart Patrick and David MacLeod, Glasgow Chamber of Commerce, the committee noted

(a) the presentation and thanked Stuart Patrick and David MacLeod for their contributions;

(b) the progress made by the City Centre Recovery Plan in 2022; and

(c) that the next area of focus would be the development of the new City Centre Strategy later in 2023.

Cost of Living (Tenant Protection)(Scotland) Act 2022 – Implications for Glasgow's rented sector noted – Declaration of interest.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection)(Scotland) Act 2022 and the implications for Glasgow's rented sector, advising

(1) that the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection)(Scotland) Act came into force on 28th October 2022 and had been developed as a response to the emergency situation caused by the impact of the cost of living crisis on people who rent their home in Scotland;

(2) that the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection)(Scotland) Act (Early Expiry and Suspension of Provisions) Regulations were laid in Parliament on 19th January 2023 to expire the rent cap provisions relating to the social sector and suspend the rent cap provisions relating to the student residential sector;

(3) that the Scottish Government had published a report covering the period from 28th October to 31st December 2022, which reviewed the provisions of Part 1 of the Act and to consider whether those provisions remained necessary and proportionate in connection with the cost of living;

(4) of Glasgow's rented sector and that the Scottish Housing Regulator reports on average rent costs per local authority area broken down by property size and for all rents and in September 2022, the Scottish Housing Regulator had published a report entitled "Rent increases by Scottish social landlords a Thematic Review" which provided a table of percentage rent increases for all Registered Social Landlord's;

(5) that Glasgow's draft Local Housing Strategy 2023-28 builds on the progress made through the 2017-22 strategy and the draft Local Housing Strategy

vision was that “Everyone in Glasgow would have access to an affordable, suitable, climate friendly home, which promoted good health and wellbeing and connects to communities and the opportunities the city offers”;

(6) that to achieve the proposed Local Housing Strategy vision and realise the wider ambitions set out in the Council’s Strategic Plan 2022-27, 5 Local Housing Strategy priorities had been proposed and under priority 5, there were 3 associated missions, which set out to reduce homelessness, support vulnerable tenants and families in the private rented sector to prevent homelessness wherever possible, and work with tenants to determine priorities and actions for improving affordability, standards and security within the rented sector; and

(7) that increasing the supply of affordable housing options was a core aim for the draft Local Housing Strategy 2023-28 and Glasgow had resource planning assumptions for grant funding of £313m to deliver affordable housing over the first 3 years of the strategy and the Strategic Housing Investment Plan 2023-28 identified potential resources of up to £535m, with capacity to deliver over 6,500 new affordable homes over this period.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the key provisions of the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection)(Scotland) Act 2022;

(b) the amendments to the regulations introduced affecting social housing providers and student rental accommodation;

(c) the Scottish Government’s plans to revise and extend protections up to March 2024 as set out in a proposed extension of the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection)(Scotland) Act 2022 Statement of Reasons;

(d) an analysis of the key features and trends for Glasgow’s rented sector;

(e) the establishment of a working group, which included higher education institutions and Council services, to investigate and develop options that would increase the supply of student accommodation in Glasgow;

(f) that officers would look at student representation on the working group; and

(g) how the priorities and actions to address rented sector housing were being taken forward in Glasgow’s draft Local Housing Strategy 2023-28.

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

Glasgow City Council and Wheatley Group draft strategic agreement 2023-32 noted – Instruction to officers.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the development of a new strategic agreement between the Council and the Wheatley Group, advising

(1) that on 7th March 2003, Glasgow had transferred its housing stock to the newly formed Glasgow Housing Association (GHA), now known as Wheatley Homes Glasgow, part of the Wheatley Group and the Executive Committee on 3rd March 2016 (Print 7, page 496) had approved a strategic agreement between the Council and the Wheatley Group;

(2) that the draft strategic agreement 2023-32, as detailed in an Appendix to the report was not a legal document, however it would be underpinned where appropriate by any contracts or legal agreements, including the 2003 Housing Stock Transfer between this Council and the GHA and the legal agreements that underpinned Transforming Communities: Glasgow;

(3) of the key elements of the strategic agreement;

(4) that the appendix to the Agreement, as detailed in the report comprised of specific actions under each of the key areas of collaboration working against which performance would be monitored; and

(5) that it was proposed that the agreement be monitored by the Council and the Wheatley Group with reporting through the annual update on Glasgow's Local Housing Strategy and reviewed every 5 years in line with the frequency of the review of the strategy.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted

(i) the draft Strategic Agreement 2023-32 with the Wheatley Group;

(ii) that the final version of the Strategic Agreement 2023-32 with the Wheatley Group would be submitted to the City Administration Committee for approval of the action plan;

(iii) that officers would report annually on the Strategic Agreement;

(iv) that reference to the Climate plan would be made within the action plan to the Strategic Agreement; and

(v) that further consideration would be given to working collaboratively with City Building to increase the supply of affordable housing and accelerate the pace of new build in the city; and

(b) instructed officers to include within the Housing Strategy reference to an action plan for Glasgow's Built Heritage, with specific reference to the Wheatley Group.

Delivering the City Development Plan – Local Place Plans noted.

4 With reference to the minutes of the Neighbourhoods, Housing and Public Realm City Policy Committee of 1st June 2021 (Print 2, page 106) noting the intention to introduce Local Place Plans, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the introduction into planning legislation of Local Place Plans as part of the City Development Plan process and the guidance to be made available to communities to support their development, advising

(1) that the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 had introduced a new right for communities to produce Local Place Plans for their places, with scope for these plans or parts of them to become a part of or inform the local development plan;

(2) that the legislation stated that Local Place Plans might be prepared by a community-controlled body as defined in the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 or by community councils established in accordance with the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 and as such, this would apply to a wide range of community organisations within the city, provided they could demonstrate that they met the criteria;

(3) that the Act set out the role of local authorities and that prior to the preparation of a local development plan or City Development Plan, the planning authority was required to publish an invitation to local communities to prepare Local Place Plans, with information on the assistance available to do so, and on the manner in which, and date by which Local Place Plans must be prepared in order to be taken into account in the preparation of the Local Development Plan;

(4) that the Act required that the planning authority take account of any registered Local Place Plan within its boundary in the preparation of the Local Development Plan, noting that the plan must have regard to the Local Development Plan, the National Planning Framework and any other relevant matters as prescribed in the emerging guidance;

(5) that with the introduction of the relevant secondary legislation and adoption of the National Planning Framework, which now formed part of the statutory development plan, alongside the City Development Plan, the transition to the Council's new planning system was now effectively completed and the Council was now obliged to introduce Local Place Plans as part of the process of developing the next iteration of the City Development Plan; and

(6) of the next steps.

After consideration, the committee noted the intention to

(a) invite local communities to develop Local Place Plans to inform the next iteration of the City Development Plan; and

(b) create an online information resource to support communities wishing to undertake a Local Place Plan.

Inner East Strategic Development Framework (Wards 9, 18, 19 and 22) – Progress noted.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the progress of the Inner East Strategic Development Framework (SDF) (Wards 9, 18, 19 and 22), advising

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

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

(3) that the draft Inner East SDF had been published on the Council's consultation hub from 25th June to 6th September 2021 and a total of over 2,000 comments to the draft SDF had been received from 470 respondents;

(4) that following the consultation, the comments received had been collated and had informed the production of the final draft of the Inner East SDF, as detailed in the report;

(5) of the vision and key outcomes for the Inner East SDF; and

(6) of the next steps.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the final draft of the Inner East Glasgow Strategic Development Framework; and

(b) the intention to seek approval from the City Administration Committee, and to notify the Scottish Government, prior to the adoption of the Inner East Glasgow Strategic Development Framework as Supplementary Guidance to the City Development Plan.

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

Hybrid meeting, 20th April 2023.

Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee.

Present: Graham Campbell (Chair), Imran Alam, Blair Anderson, Jill Brown, Bill Butler, Sean Ferguson (substitute for Richard Bell), Elaine Gallagher, Zen Ghani, Fiona Higgins, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Ruairi Kelly, Malcolm Mitchell and Catherine Vallis; and Ms Alison McIntyre and Ms Susan McKellar.

Also present: Christina Cannon.

Apologies: Richard Bell and Ms Leanne McGuire.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; and R Aitken (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

Education Services: English as an Additional Language Service – Update noted.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding progress in taking forward thematic review actions within the English as an Additional Language Service (EAL), advising that

(1) English was not the first language for over 26% of the school population in Glasgow;

(2) as part of Education Services' ongoing self-evaluation, a thematic review of the EAL had been published in January 2020, which focused on improving learning, wellbeing and equity for learners with English as an additional language; and

(3) the report had provided a narrative of the Service, key strengths and of the next steps to be taken to progress the agreed aspects of development, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee noted Education Services' progress in taking forward thematic review actions within the English as an Additional Language Service.

School Leavers' attainment 2022 – Position noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding the attainment of school leavers following the publication of the Insight data in February 2023, advising

(1) that in February each year the Scottish Government published data through Insight on leavers' destinations and on leavers' attainment, which represented the cumulative performance of pupils on their exit from school;

(2) that the examination diet of 2022 returned to the pre COVID-19 pandemic model of a traditional exam diet with the Scottish Qualifications Authority preparing all examination papers, however, some of the course descriptors had been amended to take account of the impact of the pandemic and the continuing disruption to young people preparing for the exams;

(3) that significant conclusions should not be drawn from the results for 2022 given the different approaches to certification that had taken place, however an analysis of data was critical to identify areas for further improvement;

(4) that attainment continued to be linked with deprivation and that those living in the 20% least deprived postcodes performed much better than those living in the 20% most deprived postcodes, but that Glasgow performed better than the national figures when comparing those who lived in the 20% most deprived postcodes; and

(5) of Glasgow's performance against national figures using various filters, as detailed in the report.

ENVIRONMENT AND LIVEABLE NEIGHBOURHOODS CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 25th April 2023.

Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee.

Present: Elaine McSporran (Chair), Abdul Bostani, Jill Brown, Holly Bruce, Paul Carey, Stephen Docherty, Alan Gow, Jim Kavanagh, Alex Kerr, Paul McCabe, Jon Molyneux, Jill Pidgeon and Franny Scally.

Also present: Ruairi Kelly and Angus Millar.

Attending: C Jack (Clerk); A Waddell, Director of City Operations, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and I Campsie (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

City Network – Final Delivery Plan noted – Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the City Network Final Delivery Plan, advising

(1) that a city-wide cycling city network had been developed that would link key areas of the city, encourage modal shift and play a role in the reduction of car vehicle kilometres across Glasgow and that delivery of the City Network would assist in developing a resilient future-ready and sustainable transport system for Glasgow;

(2) that the City Network responded to the Glasgow Transport Strategy, formed a significant part of the Council's Active Travel Strategy and would be a key driver to achieve the Council's commitments to net zero carbon;

(3) that the final delivery plan had been prepared to determine the phasing of key sectors of the network that allowed Council officers to prioritise design and delivery across the city;

(4) of the engagement and consultation undertaken, the governance arrangements and next steps; and

(5) in further detail on the delivery plan, as detailed in the appendix to the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed to recommend to the City Administration Committee approval of the City Network Final Delivery Plan.

Travel Behaviour Change Strategy noted – Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Travel Behaviour Change Strategy (TBCS), advising

(1) that the Glasgow TBCS set out a plan and actions aimed at encouraging individuals and groups to travel in a more sustainable way and aimed to create a culture of sustainable travel by addressing the underlying motivations and barriers to sustainable travel options and promoting positive change;

(2) that the TBCS aimed to support and maximise the effectiveness of sustainable transport infrastructure investment in the city;

(3) that the development of the strategy responded to the commitment within Policy 97 of the Glasgow Transport Strategy Policy Framework and formed a key part of the current overarching Glasgow Transport Strategy, the associated Active Travel Strategy and a suite of transport initiatives to create a step change for Glasgow;

(4) that the TBCS would assist in achieving the Council's commitments to net zero carbon and responded directly to the Connecting Communities – A Public Conversation on Transport in Glasgow and the engagement on the Active Travel Strategy would assist to develop a resilient future-ready and sustainable transport system for Glasgow;

(5) of the engagement and consultation undertaken including a Short Life Working Group;

(6) in further detail of the TBCS, as detailed in the appendix to the report; and

(7) of the next steps and delivery of the TBCS.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed to recommend to the City Administration Committee approval of the Travel Behaviour Change Strategy.

Environmental Health - Annual report noted.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the work of Environmental Health,

advising of the resources and challenges, performance, enforcement activity and future service delivery and the key activities of the business regulation and public health functions within Environmental Health, as detailed in the appendices to the report.

After consideration, the committee noted the report and the positive work undertaken by Environmental Health.

Glasgow City Food Plan – Update noted.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the development of a Glasgow City Food Plan (GCFP), advising

(1) that the GCFP had been developed in response to the Council's 2018 Food Insecurity Enquiry that recognised the scale of need within the city and helped mobilise commitment to the development of a multi-agency city food plan that focused on working together to create a food system that made it easier for everyone in Glasgow to eat healthy, affordable, culturally appropriate, good food no matter where they lived, their income or personal circumstances;

(2) of the development of the GCFP that recognised the importance of a resilient food system and the link between food, health, poverty, consumption, supply chains and purchasing patterns;

(3) that the actions identified within the plan spanned 6 key themes namely, food poverty, community food, the food economy, catering and procurement, environmental issues and children and young people;

(4) of the key highlights of work associated with the plan to date and the current challenges;

(5) that a short life Glasgow Food Plan Working Group had been convened to co-ordinate some of the ongoing Service responses that supported the delivery of the GCFP; and

(6) of an indicative action plan that mapped the specific responses to the GCFP, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the background and context related to the development of the Glasgow City Food Plan;

(b) the convening of the short life working group to co-ordinate reporting on the progress of the Plan within the Council; and

(c) that the progress would be reported to this committee as required.

Introduction of electric vehicle charging tariff – Update noted.

5 With reference to the minutes of 31st January 2023 (Print 5, page 571) noting an update on the introduction of an electric vehicle charging tariff, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing details of the Council's public electric vehicle charging tariff, advising

(1) of the Council's current public electric vehicle charging infrastructure and that a further 119 charge points across 63 units for public use were currently planned to go live in 2023;

(2) of the benefits and details of the tariff introduced on 11th April 2023;

(3) that a 6-month review would be conducted and would consider ongoing costs associated with the network, network demand and arrangements for residents with no access to private parking and for commercial vehicle operators; and

(4) that the tariff and pricing arrangement would thereafter be reviewed on an annual basis or more frequently should external market conditions or city demand change sufficiently.

Parks lighting review – Update noted.

6 With reference to the minutes of the Environment, Sustainability and Carbon Reduction City Policy Committee of 22nd November 2022 (Print 4, page 468) noting an update on the parks lighting engagement process undertaken and the intended next steps, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the Parks Lighting Review following conclusion of the consultation process, advising

(1) of the considerations taken into account into and an evidence-led approach to lighting solutions within the city's parks that could be viewed holistically and as part of a place-based approach;

(2) of the community and stakeholder engagement undertaken with a wide range of partners and parks user groups to ensure all views were heard and incorporated where possible;

(3) of the Glasgow Parks Safety and Lighting Placemaking Project Report by Greenspace Scotland that outlined the potential measures from the engagement process that could be actioned by a range of organisations, including Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, into short, medium and long term actions, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report;

(4) of the tasks highlighted within the engagement process that would be addressed through existing resources and revenue budgets outwith the bird nesting season and prior to October 2023; and

(5) of the next steps.

Review of public toilet provision - Update noted, after division.

7 With reference to the minutes of the Environment, Sustainability and Carbon Reduction City Policy Committee of 23rd November 2021 (Print 5, page 350) noting that a further update would be provided regarding public toilet provision in Glasgow, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, advising

(1) of the current public toilet service provision;

(2) of the public toilet contract that would run until 31st March 2024 and that a new procurement tender was being prepared to replace this outgoing agreement;

(3) of the new public toilet tender, as detailed in the report; and

(4) that the Council would continue to provide in-house public toilet facilities and that public toilet locations would be reviewed as part of the specification process.

Councillor McSporran, seconded by Councillor Alex Kerr, moved that the report be noted.

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

"Committee agrees that a further public toilet policy review will be brought to the Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods Committee within an appropriate timescale.

- Provides a detailed policy statement on public toilet provision and the specification process used to determine public toilet locations.
- Provides a detailed update on the tendering process.
- Carries out a mapping exercise on public toilet provision and its proximity to public parks.
- Reviews opening hours, current signage and potential use of technology at all public toilet sites.
- Works in collaboration with Glasgow Life, community venues, transport providers and businesses on a public toilet awareness programme.
- Outlines how Glasgow City Council are engaging with vulnerable users, like women, children, disabled and elderly people on their experiences of using public toilets.
- Outlines how Glasgow City Council are improving accessibility for people with mobility issues and people who care for young children who need changing facilities or larger cubicles.
- Outlines how Glasgow City Council is complying with requirements of the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 relating to public toilet provision.

- Investigates that all in-house and private supplier public toilets are free of charge, removing the 20p cash only charge."

On a vote being taken by calling the roll 5 members voted for the amendment and 6 for the motion which was accordingly declared to be carried.

NET ZERO AND CLIMATE PROGRESS MONITORING CITY POLICY COMMITTEE.

Hybrid meeting, 11th April 2023.

Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee.

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

Apology: Rashid Hussain.

Also present: Ruairi Kelly.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); C Connolly and G Slater (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and L Richardson (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

Air Quality Action Plan – Update noted.

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

(1) that every local authority that had an active Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) was required under Part IV of the Environment Act 1995 to provide an AQAP;

(2) that in response to the implementation of the AQMA's in the city, the Council produced AQAP's in 2004 and 2009 which introduced a range of measures aimed at reducing pollution in the city;

(3) that progress was reported on an annual basis within the Air Quality Progress Reports (APR) and additional actions had been incorporated into the AQAP reporting section of the APR since the last plan was produced, most notably the introduction of the Glasgow Low Emission Zone (LEZ);

(4) that a draft AQAP had been produced in 2021 with Air Quality Consultants Ltd and had been prepared in collaboration with Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and departments across the Council, as well as Transport Scotland, Scottish Environment Protection Agency and Strathclyde Partnership for Transport;

(5) that following further development of the plan and action appraisal, the plan was due to be subject to statutory public consultation, approval and adoption, however, due to the critical nature of the development of the LEZ the AQAP

had been paused, with the approval of the Scottish Government's Air Quality Team;

(6) of the changes to the AQAP process following an investigation by the Environmental Standards Scotland (ESS), who had identified weaknesses in the current operational and governance arrangements to improve local air quality and ensure future compliance with NO_2 limit values and which included 6 key recommendations for improvement to the AQAP process, as detailed in the report;

(7) that in response to the ESS report the Scottish Government's Air Quality Team had established a working group to revise the AQAP process and take forward the recommendations, as detailed in the report; and

(8) of the next steps in the process, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the report;

(b) the previous AQAPs and the progress towards producing an updated plan;

(c) the changing regulatory framework proposed for the production of AQAPs; and

(d) the future actions in respect of finalising the AQAP for formal adoption.

Low Emission Zone – Update and Workplan noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee of 13th October 2022 (Print 4, page 438), in relation to Glasgow Low Emission Zone (LEZ)

(1) approving the proposed actions regarding time-limited exemption for non-funded taxi operators; and

(2) agreeing

(a) that financial support provided by Central Government to support affected Taxi Drivers had been insufficient to-date; and

(b) to write to the Scottish Government requesting that additional funding be made available to support affected taxi operators and to support additional retrofitting capacity as was deemed necessary,

there was submitted a report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, advising

(i) that an LEZ Enforcement Working Group continued to oversee the project planning for the operational phase of the LEZ and the Final Contract Change in respect of LEZ Enforcement Solution Implementation had been approved and enacted between Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and CGI, as detailed in the report;

(ii) that communications activities had continued in accordance with the LEZ Communications and Engagement Plan which included the 'Plan Ahead for the LEZ' publicity campaign and featured the first 2 tranches of the high-profile LEZ television campaign as well as ongoing and complementary radio campaigns, promoted social media posts and outdoor advertising;

(iii) that an application had been made for LEZ funding for 2023/24 in respect of funding for LEZ enforcement and support staff and ongoing communications costs;

(iv) that in terms of the taxi exemption process:-

(A) a further letter had been sent in December 2022 to all public hire taxi operators, informing them of the LEZ enforcement, the support available and the expected timeline for the introduction of the application process for time-limited exemptions;

(B) following correspondence from Unite the Union, representatives had met with the Leader of the Council and the Convenor for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery to discuss the forthcoming guidance around the taxi exemption application process;

(C) the proposed guidance had been shared, which detailed the exemption criteria, the evidence requirements and other details of the application process as detailed; and

(D) the amended application process had been published on the LEZ website on 29th March 2023 and to date over 100 applications had been received; and

(v) of the next steps leading to the enforcement of LEZ on 1st June 2023, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

(I) the report;

(II) the commitment to ongoing communications regarding LEZ enforcement; and

(III) the actions undertaken in relation to the LEZ since the last update and planned in the lead in to enforcement.

Plastics Reduction Strategy – Update noted.

3 With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee of 23rd January 2020 (Print 6, page 499) approving the Plastics Reduction Strategy and Action Plan, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the progress of the Plastics Reduction Strategy and Action Plan, advising

(1) that further to the Glasgow Plastics Reduction Strategy and Action Plan being published, Scotland had become the first country in the UK to implement a ban on single-use plastics;

(2) that in addition, the UK Government was reforming the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) for Packaging Waste, to be introduced in 2024 which would reform existing regulation to introduce a full net cost recovery system that required producers to pay the full costs of household packaging that they placed on the market;

(3) that data would become available in 2023/24 that would allow the Council to understand the impact of the single use plastic ban and assess its effectiveness as well as that of the Plastic Reductions Strategy and it was anticipated that EPR would in time lead to a reduction in plastic waste and once the EPR was introduced, associated actions would be added to future iterations of the Plastic Reductions Strategy; and

(4) of the Plastics Reduction Action Plan progress to date and next steps, as detailed in the appendices to the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the report;

(b) the work of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability in reducing single use plastic consumption and waste in the city; and

(c) that further updates would be provided on an annual basis.

Developing a Community Renewables Energy Framework – Update noted.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the development of a Community Renewables Energy Framework (CREF), advising

(1) that as part of the Council's work to meet its Net Zero Carbon target by 2030 and contribute towards the Scottish Government target of Net Zero by 2045, the Council was undertaking a range of actions to support the decarbonisation of energy in the city and supporting a local renewable energy generation was part of this work;

(2) that the Climate Plan (Action 46) stated the need to establish a framework to support local energy co-operatives to help deliver the Council's Net Zero target;

(3) that the Scottish Energy Strategy set out the Scottish Government's expectation that energy developers should offer meaningful community benefits in line with its Good Practice Principles and the average financial value to communities in Scotland from projects in 2022 was estimated by Local Energy Scotland to be £4,500 per MegaWatt per year;

(4) of the additional benefits to the community from generating its own energy, as detailed in the report;

(5) that the proposed CREF aimed to support the increased generation of energy from renewable sources by identifying a portfolio of sites which were suitable for community led renewable energy development and outlined the process by which communities could work with the Council;

(6) that the Framework would support a wide range of energy projects which might include electricity generation, which was more mainstream and relatively easier to derive a benefit from, as well as heat projects, which were currently less mainstream and included more challenges to delivery;

(7) that a key element in supporting Glasgow communities to realise this ambition, was to identify suitable locations within the city and the Council was supporting this through the identification of suitable site selection criteria, as detailed in the report; and

(8) of the progress to date, resources and funding, existing projects and case studies and the next steps to be taken to finalise the CREF, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the report;

(b) the work of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability in the development of a Community Renewables Energy Framework; and

(c) that further updates would be provided on an annual basis.

Sustainable Glasgow Partnership – Update noted.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding Sustainable Glasgow, advising

(1) that the Sustainable Glasgow Partnership (SGP) had been established in 2009 in tandem with the production of the Sustainable Glasgow report written by the University of Strathclyde in partnership with the Council and

through funding by the Scottish Government through the Central Energy Efficiency Fund allocated to Glasgow;

(2) that the Sustainable Glasgow report established a target for Glasgow to reduce its CO_2 emissions by 30% by 2020 against a baseline of 2006 and set out 33 actions that, if delivered, were stated to enable this target to be achieved;

(3) of the composition of SGP, as detailed in the report;

(4) that in the interim period, a number of significant projects had been delivered that had been supported by SGP and which had contributed to the city reaching its 2020 target;

(5) that in the approach to COP26 in Glasgow, and in light of the developing Climate Plan and 2030 Net-Zero Carbon Target, a review had been undertaken into the operation and impact of the SGP which included a public event in the SEC in 2020 and following the event it was agreed that input from non-board member organisations would be critical to achieving the 2030 target and, as a result, agreement was reached on the establishment of 4 thematic hubs that would invite non-board member organisations to get involved and support activity within the SGP, as detailed in the report;

(6) of the launch of a new SGP website to help communicate much of the good work that had been delivered in the city in response to the climate emergency, including activity of the hubs, case studies on best practice, information on the circular economy, plus more;

(7) that 1 of the key pieces of work produced was the Sustainable Glasgow Business Charter and the Sustainable Glasgow Green Economy Hub Charter which was a commitment by leading businesses to take action within their own organisations and sectors to contribute to a green recovery and radically reduce the city's carbon emissions and that to date the charter had 27 major signatories with a further 3 lined up to sign;

(8) that the Sustainable Glasgow Board had facilitated progress on a number of different projects including energy, district heating and transport, Glasgow Green Deal and Greenprint and the work done around communication, as detailed in the report; and

(9) of the proposed next steps which included:-

(a) a review of the existing partnership which would explore the resource requirements to continue to support Sustainable Glasgow and to explore ways in which the partnership could bid into available funding pots to secure more investment into sustainability projects in the city; and

(b) the plans and priorities for the 4 thematic hubs for the forthcoming year, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

(i) the updated report together with the next steps; and

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

Sustainability and Biodiversity Guidance for Events – Update noted.

6 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding Sustainability and Biodiversity Guidance for Events, advising

(1) that a sustainable events ecosystem would contribute to Glasgow's Net Zero Carbon ambition and sustainability and biodiversity would be a key feature in the Glasgow Events Strategy, Tourism Strategy and Cultural Strategy, all of which were currently being reviewed for launch in the next year;

(2) that the city's commitment to achieving its 2030 Net Zero Carbon Target aligned strongly with the ambition of many of the national and international event owners and partners that the city currently worked with or might in the future;

(3) that a petition had been presented to the Wellbeing, Empowerment, Community and Citizen Engagement City Policy Committee on 20th January 2022 (Print 6, page 430) with regard to 'Environmental and Biodiversity Risk assessment for use of Public Land', as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;

(4) that the petitioner requested that the Council reviewed its approach to the granting of events, specifically in relation to assessing and mitigating environmental and biodiversity impact;

(5) that the Council delivered on biodiversity through the implementation of the Glasgow Local Biodiversity Action Plan;

(6) that in September 2022 a Sustainability and Biodiversity for Events in Parks group had been established and the group's remit was to review the current processes and conditions of let which would reflect enhanced environmental and biodiversity conditions and guidance would be provided to event organisers;

(7) that Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability Events managed the permission to use process which allowed for events and activities to take place in the city's parks and this process enabled the Council to attach specific conditions which the applicant was required to comply with, as detailed in the report;

(8) of the work of the Sustainability and Biodiversity for Events in Parks group and the plan for the next 3 years, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report; and

(9) of the next steps which included:-

(a) Year 1 commitments to be progressed;

(b) the Sustainability and Biodiversity for Events in Parks group continuing to meet to ensure milestones were reached and identified actions implemented;

(c) investigating the availability of alternative energy sources for events;

(d) in the initial stages of implementation, focus on amending the Conditions of Let which applied to events held in parks and during this period, officers would engage with the Corporate Licensing team to explore options around licence conditions for events; and

(e) continuing to support the development of the Glasgow Events Strategy, Tourism Strategy and Cultural Strategy relative to events in parks.

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

Hybrid meeting, 13th April 2023.

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

Present: Laura Doherty (Chair), Holly Bruce, Anthony Carroll, Annette Christie, Audrey Dempsey, Stephen Dornan, Fiona Higgins, Kevin Lalley, Angus Millar, Margaret Morgan and Cecilia O'Lone and Ms Irene Loudon and Mr Douglas Taylor.

Also present: Anne McTaggart.

Apologies: John Carson and Martina Johnston-Gray.

Attending: T O'Neill (Clerk); B Monaghan, Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities; C Edgar, Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships; T Hughes and C Quinn (for the Chief Executive); S Sharma (for the Executive Director of Education Services); and A Olney and A Ward (for the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life).

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.

Equality Outcomes 2021-25 - Mainstreaming and progress report noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Executive regarding progress on the Council's actions towards mainstreaming equalities and progress against its Equality Outcomes for 2021-25,

(1) advising that

(a) under the Equality Act 2010, public authorities were required to publish

(i) Equality Outcomes that were based on evidence and informed by the involvement of equality groups and communities; and

(ii) a mainstreaming report on progress towards promoting equality across all protected characteristics;

(b) in 2021, the Council Family developed its third set of Equality Outcomes, which built on the existing set and established some new priorities;

(c) this report represented the statutory mid-term report on progress towards the Council Family Equality Outcomes and the Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) reviewed all published reports for compliance with that statutory duty; and

(d) the mainstreaming report was also structured in line with EHRC recommendations, which required separate sections relating to the Education Authority and on Council workforce information; and

(2) detailing

(a) the robust arrangements in place across the Council Family Group to ensure compliance with the duty, the sharing of good practice and a consistent approach, the key areas of which as detailed in the report; and

(b) that the governance and monitoring arrangements which had also included an approach to conducting Equality Impact Assessments shared across the Council Family Group.

Glasgow – European Capital of Sport 2023 – Programme of activities noted – Declarations of interest.

3 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life, regarding a programme of activity taking place during 2023 whilst Glasgow was the European Capital of Sport (ECOS), advising

(1) that in 2003 Glasgow had won the title of European Capital of Sport and the organisers, European Capitals and Cities of Sports Federation (ACES Europe) had approached Glasgow to see if it would be interested in expressing an interest for this award again in 2023, which would mark the 20th anniversary since first winning the award and would also mean that Glasgow would be the first city to receive this award twice,

(2) that subsequently with the support and approval of the Glasgow Events Board the city had submitted a successful bid and had been awarded European Capital of Sport 2023 on 5th November 2019;

(3) that the city's bid had been based around 3 key themes, namely, School Sport, Community Sport and Sport for Health, and a year-long programme of activities had been planned, woven around participation and public health, building not just on the profile and massive scale of the UCI World Cycling Championships 2023, but also via the host of other local, citywide, national and international cultural and sporting events and activities;

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(4) of the vision and mission for ECOS, as detailed in the report;

(5) of the benefits to the city that securing the accolade of ECOS for a second time would bring, as detailed in the report;

(6) of the partnership and collaboration work that was integral to the success of the project and which was also a key objective to raise awareness of the accolade and the profile of sport in the city;

(7) of a number of events that had been planned during ECOS 2023, including conferences and an athletics event hosted in the Emirates Arena, as detailed in the report;

(8) that an ECOS grant fund had been created to inspire more local people to get active through sport and physical activity in communities across the city by supporting the establishment on new sessions aimed at underrepresented groups and community events to promote the local opportunities; and

(9) of the integrated marketing and communications plan that had been developed with the key aim of raising the profile of sport in Glasgow, and that a website had been developed to provide further information and act as a key engagement tool for the project.

Councillors Bruce and Doherty and Bailie Christie declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion and decision thereon.

Refreshed Vision for Glasgow Libraries – Reference to City Adminstration Committee – Declarations of interest.

4 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life, regarding the work that had been carried out to refresh the Vision for Glasgow Libraries (VfGL), and providing a draft document for review, advising

(1) that in August 2015, a VfGL had been published which set out a collaborative, 5-year strategy for developing a library offer in line with the needs of the city's changing communities, and with the 2015 VfGL coming to the end of its anticipated lifespan, the Glasgow Life Business Plan had made a commitment to refresh the VfGL in 2022/23;

(2) that the Council had passed a motion in 2022 (Print 1, page 17) recognising the significant contribution made by the city's public libraries to local communities, re-affirmed the core services and recommended additional developments around the role of libraries in tackling the climate emergency and supporting local growth of the circular economy, tasking Glasgow Life with developing and consulting on a refreshed VfGL;

(3) that in developing the refresh of VfGL, it had been important to reflect and connect closely to city and national priorities where libraries, and the services they offered, could have significant impact on health and wellbeing, financial and digital inclusion, developing knowledge and skills, economic

development, supporting sustainable community development, creating circular economies and addressing the wider climate change;

(4) that locally, the Council's Strategic Plan 2022-27 had set out its priorities as a series of grand challenges, as detailed in the report;

(5) that nationally 'Forward: Scotland's Public Library Strategy 2021-25 had set out its priorities under 3 key themes, namely, People, Place and Partnership, as detailed in the report;

(6) that since the approval of the VfGL in 2015, the Council had invested in the refurbishment of a number of libraries, as detailed in the report;

(7) that the broad rationale driving the refresh process was to re-state Glasgow's commitment to its public library service, reflect the significant changes that had taken place since 2015, and to ask service users and stakeholders how they would like to use the city's public library service over the coming years;

(8) that following a series of workshops comprising national and city stakeholders, partners who collaborated in delivering services and library staff, a draft VfGL document had been created identifying 5 key themes that connected to city and national priorities, as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report; and

(9) of the public consultation feedback results of the VfGL, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) referred the refreshed Vision for Glasgow Libraries to the City Administration Committee for approval; and

(b) noted that progress on the Vision for Glasgow Libraries would be reported on an annual basis to the Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

Councillors Bruce and Doherty and Bailie Christie declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion and decision thereon.

CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 6th April 2023

Contracts and Property Committee.

Present: Ruairi Kelly (Chair), Ken Andrew, Eva Bolander (substitute for Franny Scally), Jill Brown (substitute for Cecilia O'Lone), Stephen Curran, Kevin Lalley, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Elaine McSporran, Leòdhas Massie, Jon Molyneux, Robert Mooney (substitute for James Scanlon) and Thomas Rannachan.

Apology: Franny Scally, Cecilia O'Lone and James Scanlon

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); D Henderson and G Stewart (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D McEwan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); G McCormick (for the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership); and P Kane (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

Response to questions noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing a response to questions raised at the meeting of this committee on 16th March 2023.

Provision of intermediate care service provision (south) – Award of contract approved.

2 With reference to the minutes of 24th November 2022 (Print 4, page 472) approving the award of contracts for 4 Lots for the provision of intermediate care service, there was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership regarding the need to establish intermediate care provision for the south side of the city following the termination of a recent award of contract, advising that

(1) following investigation and discussion with the provider for Lot 3, JSL Care Ltd, it had been established that it was unable to meet its commitment;

(2) given the limited options available across the care home estate, and the associated time pressures, a direct award process was considered as the best option; and

(3) HC1, Ailsa Craig Care Home had been identified as being a potential supplier following its success in delivering intermediate care services in the south of the city for the period from June 2022 to January 2023.

After consideration, the committee approved the direct award of a contract for intermediate care services to HC1, Ailsa Craig Care Home at a maximum of £1,047 per week per bed as set out in the intermediate care contract.

Land at Rottenrow/North Portland Street/Richmond Street (Ward 10) – Off-market sale approved, after division – Instruction to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and Director of Legal and Administration.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for an off-market disposal of land at Rottenrow/North Portland Street/Richmond Street (Ward 10) to the University of Strathclyde,

(1) advising that

(a) the proposed purchaser had already received planning consent for public realm improvement works in respect of the site bounded by Montrose Street/Rottenrow/Richmond Street/North Portland Street/George Street and wished to acquire the site outlined in this report which was outwith its ownership; and

(b) the site, as detailed in the appendix to the report, was subject to a Stopping Up Order and was believed to be in the Council's ownership by virtue of a royal charter, and that it was proposed to transfer the land to the University with no consideration payable to the Council; and

(2) detailing the proposed terms of the disposal.

Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor Bolander, moved that committee

(i) approve an off-market sale of the land within Stopping Up Order 2021 at Rottenrow/North Portland St/Richmond St to the University of Strathclyde on the terms contained within the report; and

(ii) authorise the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to conclude the disposal to University of Strathclyde at nil consideration.

Councillor Curran, seconded by Councillor Lalley, moved as an amendment that committee

(A) authorise the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to conclude the disposal to University of Strathclyde with reference to the nominal value;

(B) agree to amend paragraph 4.3 to read “A desktop valuation has been provided by City Property and is attached to the report for reference. The subjects have been valued at a nominal rate based on amenity use, £50,000 (Fifty thousand pounds), however due to the benefits outlined above authority is sought to transfer the land, with reference to the nominal value”; and

(C) agree to amend paragraph 6 Proposed Terms to read “Value: £50,000 nominal value for reference”.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 5 members voted for the amendment and 7 for the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

Former Davislea Care Home, 100 Mallaig Road (Ward 5) – 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 sale of the former Davislea Care Home, 100 Mallaig Road (Ward 5) to Linthouse Housing Association Limited, advising that the

(1) proposed purchaser, Linthouse Housing Association Limited, planned to develop an affordable housing project for the site; and

(2) site, as detailed in the appendix to the report, had been declared surplus on 23rd May 2019 with no notes of interest being received.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved in principle the off-market disposal of the former Davislea Care Home, 100 Mallaig Road to Linthouse Housing Association Limited;

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

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

Provision of Enterprise Resource Planning client-side advisor – Award of contract approved.

5 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of an Enterprise Resource Planning client-side advisor, with a budget of £1.5m, advising that

(1) the contract would be utilised by the Strategic Innovation and Technology Team and would commence on 12th April 2023 for a period of 12 months or

completion of phase 1 deliverables, whichever was earlier, with the option to extend for up to 2 periods of 12 months and 24 months respectively; and

(2) as part of the tender process, 83 suppliers had accessed the documents, 5 had submitted a bid, and following an evaluation it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Socitm Advisory Ltd.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of the contract for the provision of an Enterprise Resource Planning client-side advisor to Socitm Advisory Ltd at an estimated total award value of £1,356,750.

Supply and delivery of high back slings, dress toileting slings, electric hoists, stand aids and stand aid slings – Award of contract approved.

6 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regaridng tenders received for the supply and delivery of high back slings, dress toileting slings, electric hoists, stand aids and stand aid slings, advising that

(1) the contract would support the EquipU service requirements and had an annual spend of £141,732 which included the Council's annual spend of £27,921;

(2) the contract would be utilised by Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership who would monitor the supplier's day to day operational performance, and would commence in April 2023 for a period of 24 months with the option to extend for a further period of 12 months;

(3) as part of the tender process, 10 suppliers had been invited to submit a bid, but only 1 supplier had submitted a compliant bid, and following an evaluation it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Prism UK Medical Limited; and

(4) although this contract would result in an annual increase of £33,498 to the current annual spend, benchmarking had shown that it was competitive when compared to current market rates.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of the contract for the supply and delivery of high back slings, dress toileting slings, electric hoists, stand aids and stand aid slings to Prism UK Medical Limited at an estimated contract value of £175,230.

Glasgow business growth framework, Phase 3 – Award of contract approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the Glasgow business growth framework, Phase 3, advising that

(1) the Council's budget for the provision of business growth consultancy services, delivered under the business growth framework, was £1.9m;

(2) the framework would be utilised by Economic Development who would monitor the suppliers' day to day operational framework, and would commence on 24th April 2023 for an initial period of 2 years with 2 x 12-month extension periods to be taken up by the Council in consideration of further funding received; and

(3) as part of the tender process, 48 suppliers had submitted bids, and following an evaluation it was recommended that the contract by awarded over 10 Lots on an unranked basis to the suppliers detailed in the appendix to the report.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of a framework agreement for the Glasgow business growth framework, Phase 3 to the following suppliers:-

(a) Lot 1 - Harper Macleod LLP SO300331, Martin Aitken & Co Ltd SC225765, Jump Cut Crew SC220474, High Growth Start-Up Specialists Ltd SC595415 and Where Now Consulting Ltd SC573925;

(b) Lot 2 - Optimum Business Growth Limited SC645820, UXL Ltd. SC224056, Martin Aitken & Co Ltd SC225765, Strategem (Scotland) Ltd SC195494, Jump Cut Crew SC220474, Genoa Black Ventures LLP SO304959 and Inspirent Ltd SC105922;

(c) Lot 3 - Business Success Partnership Ltd SC460809, Strategem (Scotland) Ltd SC195494, Connect Three Solutions Ltd SC523560, Blue Ptarmigan and UXL Ltd. SC224056;

(d) Lot 4 - Harper Macleod LLP SO300331, Martin Aitken & Co Ltd SC225765, Amas Murrison Limited SC440863, CJM Project Financial Management Ltd SC348264, Jump Cut Crew SC220474 and High Growth Start Up Specialists Ltd SC595415;

(e) Lot 5 - Divisor Ltd SC633095, Filament PD Ltd SC438882, UXL Ltd. SC224056, Anchored In Ltd 10075807, Graven Images Limited SC138119, Elevator SC223601 (Enterprise North East Trust Limited) and Spreng Thomson Limited SC173454;

(f) Lot 6 - Inspirent Ltd SC105922, NSDesign Limited SC214846, Genoa Black Ventures LLP SO304959, Strategem (Scotland) Ltd SC195494, Flourish Marketing Ltd SC361107 and High Growth Start Up Specialists Ltd SC595415;

(g) Lot 7 - Genoa Black Ventures SO304959, Strategem (Scotland) Ltd SC195494, Russell Mcleod Limited SC292246, Where Now Consulting Ltd SC573925 and Intend Business Development Ltd SC406570;

(h) Lot 8 - Inspirent Ltd SC105922, NSDesign Limited SC214846, Elevator SC223601 (Enterprise North East Trust Limited), Divisor Ltd SC633095 and Flourish Marketing Ltd SC361107;

(i) Lot 9 – Sniffer SC149513, Glasgow Chamber of Commerce and Manufactures RC000197, Connect Three Solutions Ltd SC523560 and Material UK (Scotland) Ltd SC438407; and

(j) Lot 10 - Inspirent Ltd SC105922, UXL Ltd. SC224056, Anchored In Ltd 10075807, Jump Cut Crew SC220474, Connect Three Solutions Ltd SC523560 and Elevator SC223601 (Enterprise North East Trust Limited).

CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 27th April 2023

Contracts and Property Committee.

Present: Franny Scally (Chair), Ken Andrew, Stephen Curran, Jim Kavanagh (substitute for James Scanlon), Ruairi Kelly, Kevin Lalley, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Elaine McSporran, Leòdhas Massie, Jon Molyneux, Cecilia O'Lone and Thomas Rannachan.

Apology: James Scanlon.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); I Robertson, Director of City Development; J McMartin and G Stewart (for the Director of Legal and Administration); and P Kane (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

Response to questions noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing a response to questions raised at the meeting of this committee on 6th April 2023.

Provision of maintenance and repair service of alarms and CCTV - Various systems – Award of contract approved.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the maintenance and repair service of alarms and CCTV - various systems, advising that

(1) the historical annual spend for the provision of a maintenance and repair service of alarms and CCTV – various systems was £210,000;

(2) City Building Glasgow would act as the contract administrator and would monitor the supplier's day-to-day operational performance, with the contract running from 10th May 2023 to 9th May 2028, which included 3 x 12-month extension options from 2025;

(3) as part of the tender process, of the 6 suppliers who had been invited to submit a bid, 5 submitted a bid, and following an evaluation process it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Chubb Fire and Security Ltd; and

(4) although this contract would result in an annual increase of £22,924 to the current annual spend, benchmarking had shown it was competitive when compared to current market rates.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of a contract for the provision of a maintenance and repair service of alarms and CCTV – various systems, to Chubb Fire and Security Ltd at an estimated annual contract value of £232,924.

Glasgow Club Drumoyne, 337 Langlands Road (Ward 5) – Lease approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

3 With reference to the minutes of 17th March 2022 (Print 7, page 545) approving the commencement of negotiations for an off-market letting of Glasgow Club Drumoyne, 337 Langlands Road (Ward 5) to Park Villa Football Development through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to grant a lease of Glasgow Club Drumoyne, 337 Langlands Road (Ward 5) to Park Villa Football Development, advising

(1) that Park Villa Football Development had secured funding which had been utilised to make several improvements to the sports centre since commencing operation of the club in July 2022; and

(2) of the terms of the contract which had been provisionally agreed with Park Villa Football Development.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the terms provisionally agreed for an off-market letting of Glasgow Club Drumoyne to Park Villa Football Development, through the People Make Glasgow Communities Programme; and

(b) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to grant a lease to Park Villa Football Development which would include as appropriate, terms and conditions which:

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

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

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

Games Village Phase 2 - Variation to Development Agreement approved etc – Instruction to Director of City Development and Director of Legal and Administration.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking approval for a variation of the Development Agreement between Glasgow City Council and City Legacy Ltd to allow a re-phasing of the delivery of Games Village Phase 2 and update the financial model to include Phase 2b, advising

(1) of the previous agreement between the Council and City Legacy Ltd in relation to Phase 2 of the development, and the reasons for the revision of the agreement following the availability of the site previously owned by Scottish Power; and

(2) of the terms and conditions for the provision of 125 units within Phase 2 of Games Village.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the Council varying the terms of the Development Agreement to allow a re-phasing of the delivery of Phase 2 and update the financial model to include Phase 2b; and

(b) instructed the Director of City Development in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to conclude all other matters pertaining to the variation of the Development Agreement and the subsequent unit sales including all necessary legal agreements.

Queen's Park Recreation Ground - "The Old Changing Rooms" (Ward 7) – Lease approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

5 With reference to the minutes of 3rd November 2022 (Print 4, page 470) approving the commencement of negotiations for an off-market letting of "The Old Changing Rooms" in Queen's Park Recreation Ground to South Seeds through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to grant a lease of "The Old Changing Rooms", in Queen's Park Recreation Ground to South Seeds, advising

(1) that the subject site, as detailed in the appendix to the report, was previously used in connection with the adjacent sports pitches, but had been out of regular use for more than 20 years and had been declared surplus by the Council; and

(2) of the terms of the contract which had been provisionally agreed with South Seeds.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the terms provisionally agreed for an off-market letting of "The Old Changing Rooms" to South Seeds, through the People Make Glasgow Communities Programme; and

(b) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to grant a lease to South Seeds which would include, as appropriate, terms and conditions which:

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

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

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

31 Blairtummock Road (Ward 20) – Lease approved – Declaration of interest.

6 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) seeking approval for the Council to take lease of premises at 31 Blairtummock Road (Ward 20) from City Property Glasgow (Investments) LLP, advising

(1) that the building was required as a decant space to accommodate the NRS Waste Depot whilst its existing premises at Easter Queenslie were being renovated, and that the renovation works were programmed to commence in April 2023 and last for 2 years; and

(2) of the terms of the lease agreement.

After consideration, the committee authorised the Council to enter into a lease with City Property Glasgow (Investments) LLP of 31 Blairtummock Road (Ward 20) on the terms detailed in the report and otherwise on terms satisfactory to the Director of Legal and Administration.

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

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 22nd March 2023.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

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

Apologies: Anne McTaggart and Leòdhas Massie.

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

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of taxi driver's licence (TD14564) with immediate effect agreed.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of the taxi driver's licence of Shahbaz Ahmed (TD14564), in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, advising that

(1) following receipt of correspondence from Shahbaz Ahmed, his taxi driver's licence had been suspended on 17th February 2023 with immediate effect for a period of 6 weeks; and

(2) the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke the taxi driver's licence of Shahbaz Ahmed, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act.

After consideration, the committee agreed to suspend the taxi driver's licence of Shahbaz Ahmed 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.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 30 applications for various types of licences.

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

Applicant and reference number	*Duration*	*Decision*
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE (NEW)		
Saqib Javed (PV23014)	3 years	Refused
Muhammad Shabbir Chaudhry (PV23039)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Stefan Gabriel Dragan (PV23040)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Majid Hussain (PV23041)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Mehmood Aslam (PV23042)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Mohammed Younis (PV23043)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Darren Alia (PV23045)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Abid Hussain (PV23050)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Saddiq Mohammed (PV23051)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Shafqat Jami Shaukat (PV23052)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Abdul Waisy (PV23053)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Saba Shafqat (PV23054)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Dilshad Mobara (PV23090)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Sikander Khalid (PV23091)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation

Falcon Rental Services Ltd (PV23092)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Umar Taffail (PV23093)	3 years	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Falcon Rental Services Ltd (PV23094)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Falcon Rental Services Ltd (PV23095)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Falcon Rental Services Ltd (PV23096)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
Falcon Rental Services Ltd (PV23097)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
HS & A Hires Ltd (PV23098)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
HS & A Hires Ltd (PV23099)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation
HS & A Hires Ltd (PV23100)	Temporary for 6 weeks	Continued for vehicle safety inspection and production of requisite documentation

PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Wasim Maqbool (PV22766)	3 years	Continued for further information

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)

Ladji Toure (PD29766)	3 years	Refused

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Raja Latif (PD29759)	3 years	Granted and warning issued regarding applicant's future conduct

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Simon O'Connor (TD16496) 3 years Granted

Applicant and reference number	*Premises*	*Duration*	*Decision*
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (EXISTING)			
Ashwani Bhopal (HMO03021)	2/1, 40 Clouston Street (Ward 15)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Harry Bell (HMO03181)	2/3, 31 La Crosse Terrace (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Harry Bell (HMO03182)	2/4, 31 La Crosse Terrace (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

Application for house in multiple occupation licence (HMO00100) granted, after division.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an application by Qi Ge (HMO00100) for an existing house in multiple occupation licence for 3 years in respect of premises at 44 Kelvingrove Street (Ward 10).

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Wilson, moved that the application be granted for a restricted period of 1 year, subject to the conditions detailed in the report by the

Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and that a severe warning be issued regarding the applicant's future management of the premises.

Councillor Ghani, seconded by Bailie Thomas Kerr, moved as an amendment that the application be refused.

On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 3 members voted for the amendment and 3 for the motion. There being an equality of votes, the Chair gave his casting vote in favour of the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried and the application was granted for a restricted period of 1 year, subject to the conditions detailed in the report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and a severe warning issued regarding the applicant's future management of the premises.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 12th April 2023.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

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

Apology: Jill Pidgeon.

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

Death of former Councillor John Kane.

1 The Chair referred to the recent death of former Councillor John Kane and extended the committee's condolences to his family.

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of taxi driver's licence (TD16213) – Item withdrawn.

2 This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 9 applications for various types of licences.

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

Applicant and reference number	*Premises*	*Duration*	*Decision*
LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE (NEW)			
Euro Garages Ltd (LHC00509)	289 Bearsden Road (Ward 14)	3 years	Granted
Euro Garages Ltd (LHC00510)	911 Springburn Road (Ward 17)	3 years	Granted
Euro Garages Ltd (LHC00511)	2 Sliding Lane (Ward 8)	3 years	Granted

Euro Garages Ltd (LHC00512)	61 Edinburgh Road (Ward 20)	3 years	Granted
Euro Garages Ltd (LHC00513)	2101 London Road (Ward 19)	3 years	Granted

SHORT TERM LET LICENCE (NEW) (HOME SHARING)

Ryan King (GL00014N)	0/1, 47 Clifford Street (Ward 5)	3 years	Noted that item had been withdrawn from agenda

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

Eleanor Campbell (GL00018P)	58 Queen Mary Avenue (Ward 8)	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance

SHORT TERM LET LICENCE (NEW) (HOME LETTING)

Toyen Dada (GL00031N)	73 Dalton Street (Ward 19)	3 years	Continued at request of applicant

SHORT TERM LET LICENCE (NEW) (SECONDARY LETTING)

Andreea Soflau (GL00080P)	132 Shieldhall Road (Ward 5)	3 years	Granted

Complaints against various licence holders dealt with - Dissent.

4 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 10 complaints against various licence holders.

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

Licence holder and reference number	*Decision*
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE	
Dan Cars Ltd (PV22169)	Licence revoked
Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV20955)	Noted that item had been withdrawn from agenda
Samuel Asante-Baah (PV22120)	Noted that item had been withdrawn from agenda

Muneeb Hassan (PV22126)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Alan Brown (PV22115)	Noted that item had been withdrawn from agenda
HR 2 Transport Ltd (PV22129)	Noted that item had been withdrawn from agenda
Strathclyde Contracts (PV20629)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Arrow 1 (PV20648)	Noted that item had been withdrawn from agenda

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

Orwa Sulaiman Ibrahim (PD28027)	Licence suspended for 6 weeks with immediate effect, Bailie Thomas Kerr dissenting

TAXI LICENCE

Northstar Taxis (TV07281)	Licence suspended for 8 weeks with immediate effect

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 19th April 2023.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

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

Apology: Eunis Jassemi.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Licence holder and reference number	*Decision*
Allan McKay (TD15541)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
John Clyde (TD15833)	Noted that item had been withdrawn from agenda

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

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

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

Applicant and reference number	*Premises*	*Duration*	*Decision*
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (NEW)			
Suk Dev Singh Matharu (HMO06649)	2/1, 78 Otago Street (Ward 11)	3 years	Noted that application had been withdrawn
Carl Milton (HMO05035)	0/1, 32 Windsor Street (Ward 11)	3 years	(1) Granted for a 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
Osasil Ltd (HMO06657)	3/1, 51 Cecil Street (Ward 11)	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE (RENEWAL)			
Wasim Maqbool (PV22766)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information

Complaints against various licence holders dealt with.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 13 complaints against various licence holders.

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

Licence holder and reference number	*Decision*
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE	
Scott Cars Ltd (PV20352)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance

Network Private Hire Ltd (PV21868)	No action
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV20732)	No action
Network Private Hire Ltd (PV22396)	No action
786 Private Hire Ltd (PV20832)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Willian Kennedy (PV20879)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV21180)	Noted that item had been withdrawn from agenda
Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV21202)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Glasgow Private Hire Ltd (PV22377)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Dalrieda Ltd (PV22015)	Continued to allow licence holder to be in attendance
Caroline McClure (PV20888)	Licence revoked
Caroline McClure (PV20889)	Licence revoked
TAXI LICENCE	
Marathon Taxis (TV08082)	Continued at request of licence holder

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of taxi driver's licence (TD14936) with immediate effect agreed.

4 In terms of Standing Order No 4, there was submitted, as a matter or urgency, a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of the taxi driver's licence of Robert Borland (TD14936), in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, advising that

(1) following receipt of correspondence from Robert Borland, his taxi driver's licence had been suspended on 17th March 2023 with immediate effect for a period of 6 weeks; and

(2) the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke the taxi driver's licence of Robert Borland, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act.

After consideration, the committee agreed to suspend the taxi driver's licence of Robert Borland for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 26th April 2023.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

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

Apologies: Zen Ghani, Thomas Kerr and Leòdhas Massie.

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

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Outcome of independent assessment of provision, use and demand for services of private hire cars and taxis in the city – Amended Limitation of Taxi Licences Policy and Private Hire Car Licence Overprovision Policy approved – Instruction to Director of Legal and Administration.

1 With reference to the minutes of 17th April 2019 (Print 1, page 50)

(1) approving a Limitation of Taxi Licences Policy and a Private Hire Car Licence Overprovision Policy, both with immediate effect; and

(2) instructing the former Director of Governance and Solicitor to the Council to review the Private Hire Car Licence Overprovision Policy in 3 years at the same time as the review of the Limitation of Taxi Licences Policy,

there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the matter, advising

(a) of background information in relation to the consideration of overprovision of taxis and private hire cars, in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982;

(b) of the current Limitation of Taxi Licences Policy and Private Hire Car Licence Overprovision Policy, as detailed in appendices 1 and 2 of the report;

(c) that following a procurement process, the current contract to assess and review the provision, use and demand of the services of private hire cars and taxis in the city, had been awarded on 30th August 2022 to Local Transport Projects Ltd;

(d) of the methods that had been used by Local Transport Projects Ltd in relation to the said independent assessment, as detailed in the report;

(e) that Local Transport Projects Ltd had made a number of recommendations for consideration in relation to Section 10 of the Act, as detailed in appendix 3 to the report; and

(f) of the proposed Limitation of Taxi Licences Policy and Private Hire Car Licence Overprovision Policy if the committee were to agree to the recommendations provided by Local Transport Projects Ltd, as detailed in appendices 4 and 5 of the report.

After consideration and having heard a supporting presentation by Jack Hearnshaw, Local Transport Projects Ltd, in relation to the assessment report, the committee

(i) approved the amended

(A) Limitation of Taxi Licences Policy with immediate effect, as detailed in appendix 4 to the report; and

(B) Private Hire Car Licence Overprovision Policy with immediate effect, as detailed in appendix 5 to the report, subject to paragraphs 1 and 3 being amended to read as follows:-

Paragraph 1

"In terms of sections 10 (3A) and (3C) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 ("the 1982 Act"), the Licensing Authority is satisfied that, having regard to the number of private hire cars operating in the city of Glasgow and the demand for private hire car services in that locality, there is no overprovision of private hire car services until the number of private hire car licences reaches 3450."; and

Paragraph 3

"The Licensing Authority is satisfied that having regard to the findings of an independent report by Local Transport Projects Ltd dated April 2023 and submissions from a representative of Local Transport Projects Ltd at a meeting of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee on 26th April 2023, that for the purposes of sections 10 (3A) (3B) and (3C) of the 1982 Act, there will be no overprovision of private hire car services in the city of Glasgow until such time as the number of private hire car licences reaches 3450. When the number of private hire car licences reaches 3450 there will be an overprovision of private hire car services in city of Glasgow, and as such at that time there will be a rebuttable presumption against the grant of further private hire car licences. This will be known as "the Private Hire Car Licence Overprovision Policy"."; and

(ii) instructed the Director of Legal and Administration to undertake an interim review of both policies, at the same time, in June 2024.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 28th March 2023.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

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

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

Appointment of Chair.

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

Exclusion of public.

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

Neighbourhoods, Regenaration 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, J McArthur, GMB and D McCulloch and A Smith, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee, after discussion, rejected the appeal.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 4th April 2023.

Planning Applications Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew, (Chair), Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Eva Bolander, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Thomas Kerr, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanzala Malik, Hanif Raja and James Scanlon.

Apologies: Maureen Burke, Christy Mearns and Martha Wardrop.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); A Dale and P Barbour (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and R Aitken (for the Head of Communications and Strategic Partnerships).

Glasgow Academy (Ward 11) - 22/02088/FUL - Erection of school building (Class 10) including roof terrace etc and external alterations – Planning permission conditionally granted.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Mr M Pearce for planning permission for the erection of a school building (Class 10) including roof terrace and installation of photovoltaic panels, formation of all-weather sports pitch, amenity, landscaping, hardscaping, SuDS, associated ancillary development, external alterations, with partial demolition of school boundary wall to facilitate gated pedestrian access with tree removal at Glasgow Academy (Ward 11) – 22/02088/FUL.

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

(1) an amended condition No 28 to read:-

"A travel plan and details of the appointed travel plan coordinator for the proposed staff shuttle bus shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority within one year of opening. The travel plan shall include details of proposals for vehicular pickups and drop offs. For the avoidance of doubt, these shall not take place at the proposed new pedestrian access from Great Western Road. The travel plan shall be operated in accordance with the details approved and annual reports regarding operation will be required for the following five years from the date of initial submission.

Reason: To enable the planning authority to monitor the implementation of the development.";

(2) an additional condition No 30 to read:-

"A minimum of 6 swift bricks shall be incorporated within the external walls of the proposed new building of the development hereby approved and shall be retained thereafter.

Reason: To enhance the biodiversity of the site."; and

(3) an additional condition No 31 to read:-

"Within one year of the new building being operational and accommodated, the buildings shown for demolition as shown in drawing TGA-HBA-01-ZZ-DR-A-080003 REV P2 will be removed and landscaping works implemented in accordance with drawing 21027_L_200.

Reason: As these drawings constitute the approved development."

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 18th April 2023.

Planning Applications Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Imran Alam, Declan Blench, Maureen Burke, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Thomas Kerr, Kenny McLean, Christy Mearns, Hanif Raja and James Scanlon.

Apologies: Eva Bolander, Paul Leinster, Hanzala Malik and Martha Wardrop.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); I Briggs (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and P Kane (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

32 Mansionhouse Road (Ward 7) - 22/00294/FUL - Erection of residential development (16 units) with car parking, amenity space, landscaping and associated works - Consideration continued, after division.

1 With reference to the minutes of 24th January 2023 (Print 5, page 521) the committee resumed consideration for an application by Surplus Property Investments Ltd for planning permission for the erection of a residential development (16 units) with car parking, amenity space, landscaping and associated works at 32 Mansionhouse Road (Ward 7) – 22/00294/FUL.

Following a site visit, and having heard Ian Briggs, Neighbourhood, Regeneration Services (NRS), Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Andrew, moved that consideration of the application be continued to allow NRS officers to assess a recently received daylight and sunlight assessment.

Bailie Thomas Kerr, seconded by Councillor Burke, moved as an amendment that the application be considered at this meeting.

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

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 28th March 2023.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Imran Alam, Eva Bolander, Maureen Burke, Patricia Ferguson, Thomas Kerr, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanzala Malik and Christy Mearns.

Apologies: Declan Blench, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Hanif Raja and Martha Wardrop.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); F Milne and S Taylor, Planning Advisors; G Beecham and T Quinn (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and P Kane (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

65-77 Otago Street (Ward 11) - 22/00003/LOCAL - Erection of residential development (49 units) and associated works - Consideration continued, after division.

1 With reference to the minutes of 6th September 2022 (Print 3, page 358) committee resumed consideration for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a residential development (49 units) and associated works at 65-77 Otago Street (Ward 11) - 22/00003/LOCAL, advising

(1) that members of the committee had visited the site on 22nd November 2022; and

(2) written submissions had been submitted by the applicant and those who had made representations to the application that would form part of this committee hearing.

Adjournment.

2 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the committee agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1325 hours until 1405 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

3 The meeting resumed at 1420 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Imran Alam, Eva Bolander, Maureen Burke, Patricia Ferguson, Thomas Kerr, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanzala Malik and Christy Mearns.

Apologies: Declan Blench, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Hanif Raja and Martha Wardrop.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); F Milne and S Taylor, Planning Advisors; G Beecham and T Quinn (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and P Kane (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

After consideration, the committee heard representations on a number of subject matters from the applicant, Hillhead Community Council, Woodland and Park Community Council, Otago Conservation Trust and Mr Mark Wilson.

Councillor Andrew, seconded by Councillor Bolander, moved that consideration of the application be continued to a future date.

Bailie Thomas Kerr, seconded by Councillor Burke, moved as an amendment that the application be determined today.

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

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 11th April 2023.

Planning Local Review Committee.

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

Apologies: Hanzala Malik, Christy Mearns and James Scanlon.

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

Appointment of Chair.

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

424 Duke Street (Ward 9) - 23/00005/LOCAL - Use of bank (Class 2) as restaurant and erection of flue to rear - Planning permission conditionally granted - Dissent.

2 There was submitted a request by Excel Estates Glasgow Ltd for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the use of a bank (Class 2) as a restaurant and the erection of a flue to the rear at 424 Duke Street (Ward 9) - 23/00005/LOCAL.

After consideration, Councillor Wardrop dissenting, the committee conditionally granted planning permission.

75-77 Berkeley Street (Ward 10) - 22/00054/LOCAL - Use of flatted dwellings as serviced accommodation (Sui Generis) - Planning permission refused, after division.

3 There was submitted a request by Mr Gurmit Dhaliwal for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the use of flatted dwellings as serviced accommodation (Sui Generis) at 75-77 Berkeley Street (Ward 10) - 22/00054/LOCAL.

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

Councillor Burke, seconded by Bailie Thomas Kerr, moved as an amendment that planning permission be conditionally granted, subject to the completion of an agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 5 members voted for the amendment and 6 for the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 25th April 2023.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Eva Bolander (Chair), Imran Alam, Ken Andrew, Declan Blench, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Paul Leinster, Kenny McLean, Hanzala Malik, Christy Mearns, Hanif Raja and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Maureen Burke, Thomas Kerr and James Scanlon.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); C Hunt, F Milne, D McAllister and S Taylor (Planning Advisors); and P Kane (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

Appointment of Chair.

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

1 Ruchazie Place (Ward 18) - 22/00032/LOCAL – Demolition of derelict building and erection of 12 flats with associated works - Planning permission refused, after division.

2 With reference to the minutes of 8th November 2022 (Print 4, page 450) continuing consideration for further information from SIM Building Group a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the demolition of a derelict building at 1 Ruchazie Place (Ward 18) and the erection of 12 flats with associated works - 22/00032/LOCAL, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding information received from the applicant on

(1) the hydraulic modelling of the Carntyne Burn which was in addition to the flood risk assessment already submitted;

(2) an ecology report and a tree survey;

(3) detailed landscape drawings and details of the bin and cycle storage; and

(4) details of the Registered Social Landlord’s overall contribution to the local open space projects as per Policy IPG12.

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Malik, moved that planning permission be conditionally granted.

Councillor Bolander, seconded by Councillor Andrew, moved as an amendment that planning permission be refused subject to

(a) the amendment of reason for refusal No 2 to read:-

"02 The proposal is contrary to CDP 1 and SG 1: Placemaking of the City Development Plan (adopted 2017) by reason of, inter-alia;

- The proposed design and architectural detailing, in particular, the proposed scale, massing, fenestration detail and the proposed materials are of poor quality and fail to provide a satisfactory response to the site itself and the wider context;
- The lack of a privacy strip between the north-east ground floor flat and the entrance path to the building fails to provide adequate privacy to the detriment of residential amenity;
- The access arrangements do not meet the requirements of the residential design guide as the access does not face onto the street and therefore does not contribute to the creation of legible and safe places;
- The car parking area is excessive and visually over dominant, to the detriment of the overall design and wider streetscape;
- The landscape design is ill considered and lacking in extent. It fails to provide adequate, qualitative external amenity space to prospective residents." and

(b) the deletion of reason for refusal No 3 and the renumbering of the remaining reasons for refusal.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 7 members voted for the amendment and 4 for the motion. The amendment was accordingly declared to be carried.

Adjournment.

3 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the committee agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1315 hours until 1320 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

4 The meeting resumed at 1320 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present: Eva Bolander (Chair), Imran Alam, Ken Andrew, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Kenny McLean, Hanzala Malik, Christy Mearns, Hanif Raja and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Declan Blench, Maureen Burke, Thomas Kerr, Paul Leinster and James Scanlon.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); C Hunt, F Milne, D McAllister and S Taylor (Planning Advisors); and P Kane (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

Site to rear of 11 and 12 Somerset Place (Ward 10) - 22/00052/LOCAL – Erection of 2 mews dwellings and associated works - Planning permission refused.

5 There was submitted a request by Mr Paul McDermott for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of 2 mews dwellings and associated works at a site to the rear of 11 and 12 Somerset Place (Ward 10) - 22/00052/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee refused planning permission.

FINANCE AND AUDIT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 22nd March 2023.

Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Frank McAveety (Chair), Alexander Belic, Philip Braat, Stephen Curran, Sean Ferguson, Elaine Gallagher, Sharon Greer, Greg Hepburn, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Thomas Kerr, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux and Margaret Morgan.

Also present: Richard Bell.

Apology: Hanzala Malik.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; D Black, Head of Audit and Inspection; and C MacKenzie (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

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

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

(1) Chief Executives Department – Governance Review;

(2) Education Services, Financial Services and Social Work Services – Protecting Vulnerable Groups Arrangements;

(3) Financial Services – Customer and Business Service Performance Management; and

(4) Neighbourhood, Regeneration and Sustainability – Building Standards.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the reports; and

(b) 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.

2 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 and the Council's Arm's Length External Organisations,

(1) advising that since the last report had been presented to this committee on 25th January 2023 (Print 5, page 526), services had been responsible for following up recommendations that were due to have been implemented, with 71 remaining outstanding as at 24th February 2023 split across each service area, as detailed in the report;

(2) intimating that during the period from 16th December 2022 to 24th February 2023, services had satisfactorily implemented 13 recommendations, as detailed in the report; and

(3) detailing a summary of outstanding recommendations by service area and priority, together with a register of all recommendations that had still to be implemented.

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.

Internal Audit - Audit Plan 2022/23 – Proposed changes agreed etc.

3 With reference to the minutes of 23rd March 2022 (Print 1, page 189), approving the implementation of the Internal Audit Plan for 2022/23, there was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection, advising

(1) that during 2022/23 various matters had impacted on the delivery of the original plan, including

(a) a significant turnover of audit employees, with a number of qualified staff moving on to promoted posts within and outwith the Council Family, which had resulted in disruption and a number of posts not being backfilled with qualified staff;

(b) an urgent request for support in the delivery of Equal Pay settlements in respect of outstanding claims which had resulted in audit team members being redirected from February to April 2023 and whilst this reduced the need for separate assurance work in this area during 2023/24, it had not been planned for in the 2022/23 audit;

(c) a significant SAP outage in January and February 2023 which had impacted on services' ability to respond to audit requests for information and it was the intention to commence a previously unplanned audit and assurance work on the incident and the response during March and April 2023; and

(d) investigations into whistleblowing allegations which had resulted in significant unplanned audit resources being applied in response between September 2022 and January 2023;

(2) of the proposed audits which required to be deferred or dropped from the agreed 2022/23 Internal Audit Plan as detailed in the report; and

(3) that when making changes to the audit plan, it was important to ensure that sufficient assurance would be obtained to prepare the annual opinion and that the Head of Audit and Inspection had reviewed those changes and concluded that this was the case, with no limitation of scope required to the annual opinion.

After consideration, the committee

(i) noted the report; and

(ii) agreed the changes to the 2022/23 Internal Audit Plan.

Internal Audit – Audit Plan 2023/24 approved.

4 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection regarding the Audit Plan 2023/24, which detailed the outputs that members and senior officials could expect from Internal Audit in 2023/24, advising of

(1) the key system areas and control risks on services across the Council;

(2) other assurance activities;

(3) of internal audit outputs in 2023/24 including areas of work not directly contributing to the Annual Governance Statement; and

(4) updates on the work of the Corporate Fraud and Investigations Team and Audit Glasgow.

After consideration, the committee approved the implementation of the Audit Plan for 2023/24.

Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy - Committee Guidance – Proposals agreed.

5 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection regarding a Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) guidance in relation to audit committees,

(1) advising that CIPFA published guidance in late 2022 for local authority audit committees and the purpose of the guidance was to support Audit Committee members in fulfilling their role on an Audit Committee; and

(2) providing a self-assessment of the Council's compliance with the main elements of the guidance, together with opportunities to improve compliance as detailed in the appendix to the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed the further action required, as set out in the appendix, to improve compliance with the CIPFA guidance.

FINANCE AND AUDIT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 19th April 2023.

Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Frank McAveety (Chair), Phillip Braat, Stephen Curran, Elaine Gallagher, Sharon Greer, Greg Hepburn, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Thomas Kerr, Anne McTaggart, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux and Margaret Morgan.

Apology: Hanzala Malik.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; D Black, Head of Audit and Inspection; C MacKenzie (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships); and J Boyd, Audit Scotland.

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 22nd March 2023.

Annual accounts 2021/22 noted – Audit Scotland report accepted etc.

2 With reference to the minutes of 3rd August 2022 (Print 2, page 253) accepting the unaudited annual accounts for 2021/22 and noting that the unaudited accounts would be submitted to Audit Scotland, who upon completion of the audit would report its findings to this committee, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Finance, advising that

(1) Schedule 6 of the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020 extended the administrative deadlines for local government bodies to submit accounts for audit, and also for consideration and approval of audited accounts; and

(2) the audit had now been completed by Audit Scotland and the annual accounts had been amended to reflect the findings of the audit, as detailed in the report.

After consideration and having heard Mr J Boyd, Audit Scotland, the committee

(a) accepted the ISA 260 report from Audit Scotland; and

(b) noted that the 2021/22 annual accounts together with the associated annual report from Audit Scotland would be submitted to the City Administration Committee for approval and signature.

Internal Audit – ALEO update – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.

3 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection, advising of the findings of the internal audit work undertaken at the Arm's Length External Organisations within the Council group during the period from September 2022 to March 2023.

After consideration, the committee

(1) noted the report; and

(2) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit a further report to this committee, including an update on the implementation of actions arising from the audits undertaken.

OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 5th April 2023.

Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

Present: Maureen Burke (Chair), Imran Alam, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Feargal Dalton, Laura Doherty (substitute for Stephen Dornan), Patricia Ferguson, William Graham, Ann Jenkins, Roza Salih, Catherine Vallis and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: John Daly and Stephen Dornan.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); B Monaghan, Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities; M McGinty, Head of Corporate Policy and Governance; L Norwood, Head of Human Resources; and C McKenzie (for the Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships).

Strategic Plan - Grand Challenge 4 - Missions 2 and 3 - Enable staff to deliver essential services in a sustainable, innovative and efficient way for our communties - Service commitments noted.

1 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 regarding the commitments that would address the Cost of Living Crisis,

(1) advising that services had been requested to report on areas within the Strategic Plan Missions, with particular focus on the Cost of Living Crisis and their commitments undertaken to deliver them; and

(2) detailing, in an appendix to the report, examples of work currently underway by the Chief Executive's Department and its commitments across key areas that had a particular focus on Grand Challenge 4: Enable staff to deliver essential services in a sustainable, innovative and efficient way for our communties, focussing in particular on:-

(a) Mission 2: Run an open, well governed Council in partnership with all our communties; and

(b) Mission 3: Enable staff to deliver sustainable and innovative Council structure that delivers value for money.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the Grand Challenges, Missions and commitments within the Strategic Plan through a Cost of Living lens; and

(b) the emerging commitments by the Chief Executive's Department highlighted in the report, focussing on the Cost of Living Crisis.

Local Government Benchmarking Framework - Update noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Executive providing an update on the Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF), advising

(1) that the LGBF was a high-level benchmarking tool that was co-ordinated on behalf of local authorities across Scotland by the Improvement Service (IS), and was designed to support both elected members and senior management to ask key questions about Council services;

(2) of the MyLocal Council dashboard developed and maintained by IS, that provided a one-stop-shop approach for the collation and analysis of the latest benchmarked data that could be accessed by elected members, officers and members of the public; and

(3) that officers had been preparing a LGBF report for Glasgow that would be presented to this committee in May 2023 for consideration.

Conference attendance approved under delegated authority noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing conference attendance by elected members, which had been approved in terms of the Scheme of Delegated Functions.