Gorbals Library, 180 Crown Street (Ward 8) – Extension to lease approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and Director of Legal and Administration.

8 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals to extend the lease of Gorbals Library, 180 Crown Street (Ward 8), advising

(1) that Gorbals Library was let to this Council by landlords, Crowngate Investments Ltd and subsequently sub-let to Glasgow Life who operated the library on behalf of this Council,

(2) that the current was lease due to expire on 23rd November 2023;

(3) that following the completion of an options appraisal for the retention of a library facility within the Gorbals area, it had been established that there was no suitable alternative premises, and as such, negotiations had been entered into with the landlord for the possibility of extending the current lease; and

(4) of the provisionally agreed terms and conditions, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the extension of the current lease of Gorbals Library, 180 Crown Street (Ward 8) from 23rd November 2023 until 31st March 2032 at a rent of £74,780 per annum; and

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