Scheme of Delegated Functions – Changes approved.

7 There was submitted a report by Councillor Hepburn, Council Business Manager and City Convener for Democratic Renewal regarding proposed changes to the Scheme of Delegated Functions in relation to planning matters, advising

(1) that over the last year a cross party elected member working group had been reviewing the operational and governance arrangements in place for the Planning Applications Committee (PAC) and the Planning Local Review Committee (PLRC);

(2) that detailed analysis of the statutory requirements and the current arrangements in Glasgow had been undertaken;

(3) that the elected member working group was keen to ensure that there continued to be an appropriate balance between an efficient process that allowed for the vast majority of non-contentious planning applications to be dealt with on a delegated basis and at the same time allowed for the accountability and democratic oversight that was achieved through referring certain applications to committee;

(4) of the proposed changes to the Scheme of Delegated Functions that had been supported by the elected member working group as detailed in the report; and

(5) of the proposed amendments to the terms of the Scheme of Delegated Functions in relation to the functions exercisable by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability as detailed in the Appendix to the report.

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