Easterhouse Sports Centre, 47 Auchinlea Road, Glasgow G34 9HQ (Ward 21) – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to commence negotiations for an off-market letting approved.

6 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for an off-market letting of Easterhouse Sports Centre, 47 Auchinlea Road (Ward 21) to Easterhouse Community Sports Hub Partnership through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme, advising

(1) that the People Make Glasgow Communities (PMGC) programme was a mechanism by which local people, community groups, third sector and other organisations could express an interest in having a greater involvement in the management of local venues;

(2) Easterhouse Community Sports Hub Partnership (ECSHP) was a consortium of three SCIO organisations who had experience in delivering a programme of sporting activities and facilities management, and had been active in the vicinity for over 10 years; and

(3) that the application had been assessed by both the PMGC project working group and Community Asset Working Group and they had recommended that the proposal be progressed to the development phase of the PMCG process.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the commencement of negotiations for an off-market letting of Easterhouse Sports Centre to Easterhouse Community Sports Hub Partnership through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme; and

(b) granted authority for Glasgow City Council to negotiate terms and conditions for the proposed letting to Easterhouse Community Sports Hub Partnership, which should include, as appropriate, terms 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 these things 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.