

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 16th February 2007.

Executive Committee.

Present: James Coleman (Chair), Aileen Colleran, Irene Graham, John Lynch, Margaret McCafferty, Jean McFadden, Hanzala Malik, John Mason, George Ryan, Ruth Simpson and Margaret Sinclair.

Apologies: Dr Christopher Mason, William O'Rourke, Steven Purcell and David Stevenson.

Attending: N Lyttle (Clerk); G Black, Chief Executive; I Drummond, Solicitor to the Council; L Brown, Director of Financial Services; B McConnell, Executive Director (Culture and Sport); R O'Connor, Executive Director (Education, Training and Young People); S Inch, Director of Development and Regeneration Services; F Chambers, Director of Direct and Care Services; D Comley, Director of Social Work Services; R Booth, Director of Land Services; and T MacDonald, Depute Director of Environmental Protection Services.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 2nd February 2007 were submitted and approved.

Proposed transfer of RSBI to City Building (Glasgow) LLP – Feasibility study approved – Instruction to Chief Executive.

2 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive regarding a request from Community Trade Union (CTU) for staff at Royal Strathclyde Blindcraft Industries (RSBI) to be transferred to City Building (Glasgow) LLP, advising that

- (1) the Board of City Building (Glasgow) LLP had considered a request from the CTU on behalf of the staff at RSBI for them to explore the possibility of incorporating the RSBI into the City Building (Glasgow) LLP; and
- (2) it was proposed that a feasibility study would be the best way to examine the potential suitability of any proposed transfer.

After consideration, the committee instructed the Chief Executive to undertake a feasibility study in relation to RSBI staff transferring to City Building (Glasgow) LLP and bring forward recommendations to a future meeting.

Music at Kelvingrove – Appointment of Honorary Director approved.

3 Councillor John Lynch, Executive member for Culture and Leisure Services, presented a report by the Executive Director (Culture and Sport) on a proposal to appoint an Honorary Director of Music at Kelvingrove Museum and Art Gallery, advising that

- (1) the tradition of music in Kelvingrove had always been very strong and it was recognised that there was an opportunity for music to play an more important role in the future of Kelvingrove;
- (2) it was proposed that a position of Honorary Director of Music for Kelvingrove be established who would be the contact for all musical ventures within the building, programming the daily organ recitals, arranging for appropriate organists to be scheduled and co-ordinating musical activities around particular periods of the year; and
- (3) discussions had taken place with Dr James Hunter, Musical Director of the Bearsden Choir and it was proposed that he be appointed as the first Musical Director for Kelvingrove for an initial period of 3 years.

After consideration, the committee approved the appointment of Dr James Hunter as Honorary Director of Music for Kelvingrove for an initial period of 3 years.

European Structural Funds - Position noted – Authority to Director of Development and Regeneration Services.

4 Councillor Hanzala Malik, Executive member for Development and Regeneration Services, presented a report by the Director of Development and Regeneration Services on the current position of the European Union Structural Fund's consultation and operational programme for 2007-13, advising

- (1) that the current cycle of structural fund programmes, the Western Scotland Programme 2000-06 had come to an end in December 2006 and was due to be replaced by the Lowland and Upland Scotland Programme 2006-13;
- (2) of the progress to date on the new structural funds programmes;
- (3) that as the operational programme in Scotland would not be approved and operating until late 2007, the Scottish Executive had set up a 'shadow round' to provide funding to projects which supported vulnerable groups and the deadline for applications was 16th February 2007;
- (4) that the Glasgow Vocational Programme and the City Vision Schools' Vocational Programme had been submitted for funding under the 'shadow round' to help fill the gap between now and the formal start of the new programme.
- (5) of the changes in the way in which structural funds would be delivered in Scotland; and
- (6) of the arrangements for re-allocating any funds returned to the 2000-06 programme, through extension or prolongation requests.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the current position regarding the EU Structural Funds programme for Lowland and Upland Scotland 2007-13; and
- (b) authorised the Director of Development and Regeneration Services to submit

- (i) applications for the 2 projects referred to at (4) above under the shadow ESF round by 16th February 2007; and
- (ii) prolongation requests for existing projects, where appropriate, under the current 2000-06 Scottish Objective 3 ESF Programme.

Glasgow City Plan 2 - Finalised draft approved.

5 Councillor Hanzala Malik, Executive member for Development and Regeneration Services, presented a report by the Director of Development and Regeneration Services on the finalised draft of City Plan 2 and the accompanying finalised draft Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and draft Development Guides, advising

- (1) that the Development and Regeneration Services Committee on 8th February 2006 (Print 6, page 1021) had approved the publication of the consultative draft version of City Plan 2 and the draft Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and the second stage of public consultation had taken place during March and April 2006, with 160 responses being received covering 1,072 issues; and
- (2) of the key differences between City Plan 1 and City Plan 2 and categorising the responses received within the consultation period.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved the finalised draft of City Plan 2 and the accompanying SEA and Development Guides; and
- (b) agreed that
 - (i) City Plan 2 and the SEA be submitted to the Scottish Executive and published for an 8 week period of public consultation from May to July 2007;
 - (ii) the consultation framework and next stages in the plan process be presented to the Development and Regeneration Services Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee for consideration; and
 - (iii) the consultation outcomes and proposed responses or changes to the plan be considered by the Development and Regeneration Services Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee, prior to reporting back to this committee for formal approval.

Pollok Country Park aerial activity facility – Lease/licence approved, in principle.

6 With reference to the minutes of the Executive Committee of 1st September 2006 (Print 3, page 478) approving negotiations with AFL as the preferred supplier for the provision of an Aerial Activity Centre at Pollok Park (Ward 64), Councillor Aileen Colleran, Executive member for Parks and Facilities presented a report by the Director of Land Services seeking approval, in principle, to grant a 21 year lease/licence for part of Pollok Country Park to Adventure Forest Ltd (AFL) trading as Go Ape to operate the aerial activity facility, advising

- (1) that an operational management plan was being developed between AFL and the Council which would define the operating relationship between the 2 parties and clarify the individual roles in areas of shared responsibility; and
- (2) of the proposed terms and conditions of the lease/licence.

After consideration, the committee approved in principle, a 21 year lease/licence for part of Pollok Country Park to Adventure Forest Ltd (trading as Go Ape), subject to the terms and conditions negotiated by the Director of Development and Regeneration Services.

Regional Transport Strategy for West of Scotland 2007-2021 – Response to consultation approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Land Services on the consultation which had been undertaken by Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) on the 'Regional Transport Strategy for the West of Scotland 2007/2021: A Catalyst for Change, Consultative Draft'

- (1) advising that the Transport (Scotland) Act 2005 required the 7 regional transport partnerships to complete their first Regional Transport Strategy (RTS) by March 2007 and the RTS would support the National Transport Strategy, provide an important input to the Strategic Transport Projects review being undertaken by the Scottish Executive and provide a key steer for future local transport strategies;
- (2) outlining the contents of the consultative document; and
- (3) detailing a proposed response to the consultation document.

After consideration, the committee approved the report as the Council's response to the consultation document.

Services to children and families – Use of secure care for young people noted – Instruction to Director of Social Work Services – Reference to Social Care Services Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee.

8 There was submitted a report by the Director of Social Work Services regarding the use of secure care for young people in 2005/06 and 2006/07 and the use and costs of secure care for young people on remand, advising that

- (1) young people were admitted to secure care through different routes and could be placed there using child care processes and legislation by Social Work Services on an emergency basis or through the Children's Hearing System through a statutory order naming secure care;
- (2) the purpose of secure care for young people accommodated through the childcare process was to provide security to facilitate direct intervention to a specific behaviour and to plan their rehabilitation back into the community and in 2005/06 and 2006 to date, the overall numbers entering secure care had not varied notably, however, the numbers entering secure care from remand had increased by a projected factor of over 20%, with the number of young people entering secure care under childcare legislation having reduced;

- (3) the total costs for secure care, including remand, in 2005/06 was £2,617,063 which took account of increased placement costs and remand placement increase; and
- (4) the Secure Screening Group had considered some of the issues presented by the analysis of the secure care population and had identified a number of issues for further discussion with service partners and within children's services planning structures.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the issues highlighted in the report;
- (b) instructed the Director of Social Work Services to discuss the costs of remand placements in secure care with the Scottish Executive; and
- (b) referred the report to the Social Care Services Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee with a request that it monitor the use of secure care placements, particularly the cost of remand placements, through its financial monitoring function.

Invitations to attend conferences – Representation dealt with.

9 *C The committee, after consideration, agreed to be represented at the undernoted conferences as indicated:-

<i>Conference</i>	<i>Date and place</i>	<i>Representation</i>
Right Housing, Right People and Right Choices	19 th February 2007, Glasgow	Councillor Eamon Fitzgerald
Empowering Older People	20 th February 2007, London	Bailie John Gray
Delivering better regulation from enforcement to compliance	21 st February 2007, London	No action
#Regenra – A European Union funded network event	22 nd to 23 rd February 2007, Lyon, France.	Councillor James Mutter
*Civic and business visit	24 th February to 3 rd March 2007, Lahore, Pakistan and Delhi, India	The Lord Provost and Councillor Hanzala Malik
Holyrood Events - Future for the Scottish Parliament	1 st March 2007, Edinburgh	No action
Making development Happen	7 th March 2007, London	No action
COSLA Conference and Exhibition	7 th to 9 th March 2007, St Andrews	Councillors John McKenzie and James Mutter
COSLA Excellence Award Ceremony and Dinner	8 th March 2007, St Andrews	Bailie Alan Stewart and Councillor William O'Rourke

Housing Pressures	9 th March 2007	No action
Recycling and Waste Management Conference	13 th March 2007	No action
PPP/PFI in the Waste Sector	14th and 15th March 2007, London	No action

*This item was dealt with in terms of Standing Orders Nos 4 and 6, as a matter of urgency.

#This item was dealt with as a matter of urgency, in terms of Section (1)(4)(c) of the Scheme of Delegated Functions.

Requests for civic hospitality approved.

10 There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive detailing requests received from various organisations for civic hospitality.

After consideration, the committee approved the requests for civic hospitality as follows:-

<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Venue</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Decision</i>
British Society for Immunology	Glasgow Science Centre	22 nd February 2007	Drinks reception
Lord Provost, Freedom of the City	City Chambers	23 rd February 2007	Civic lunch and presentation
European Wound Management Association	Glasgow Science Centre	3 rd May 2007	Drinks reception
Glasgow City Marketing Bureau	Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum	23 rd May 2007	Drinks reception
Glasgow City Marketing Bureau	Glasgow Science Centre	29 th May 2007	Hire and contribution
British Cardiovascular Society SECC	Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre	4 th June 2007	£8,000 contribution
St Roch's Primary School Centenary	City Chambers	8 th June 2007	Dinner
Glasgow City Marketing Bureau	Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum	3 rd July 2007	Drinks reception
University of Glasgow	Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum	9 th September 2007	Drinks reception
Glasgow City Marketing Bureau	Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum	22 nd October 2007	Drinks reception

Glasgow City Marketing Bureau	Glasgow Science Centre	7 th November 2007	Hire and drinks reception
Glasgow City Marketing Bureau	Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum	17 th April 2008	Drinks reception
Glasgow City Marketing Bureau	Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum	1 st July 2010	Drinks reception

Award of contract approved.

11 There was submitted a report by the Director of Direct and Care Services regarding tenders received for the contract for the supply only, delivery only and supply and delivery of grocery and chilled delicatessen foods.

After consideration, the committee agreed to accept the undernoted most economically advantageous tenders received:-

<i>Contract</i>	<i>Contractor</i>	<i>Tender amount</i>
Supply and distribution of grocery and chilled delicatessen foods – 5 year contract	Brake Bros	£1,075,937
Supply only of various products - 3 year contract with option to extend for 2 further years	Drivers	£ 5,600
	Hero	£ 6,206
	Kent Foods	£ 87,597
	Moorhead and McGavin	£ 76,005
	Muller	£231,397
	Nestle	£ 66,682
	Premier	£ 35,683
	Pritchitts	£ 17,428
	Westlers	£ 80,849
	Unilever	£ 64,319
RHM	£ 72,496	

Property disposals approved.

12 There was submitted a report by the Director of Development and Regeneration Services regarding proposals for the disposal of various properties and land.

After consideration, the committee approved the following disposals, the sales being subject to the terms and conditions negotiated by the Director of Development and Regeneration Services:-

<i>Property</i>	<i>Purchaser</i>	<i>Price</i>
Ground at London Road/Green Street (Ward 34)	Thenew Housing Association	Sale for £664,000
Shop premises at 147-149 Queen Margaret Drive (Ward 19)	Mrs Julie Maguire	Sale for £65,000

Former Talisman Public House and shop units at 149 Balgrayhill Road (Ward 30) – Acquisition and use of compulsory purchase powers approved.

13 There was submitted a report by the Director of Development and Regeneration Services regarding a proposal for the acquisition of the former Talisman Public House and shop units at 149 Balgrayhill Road (Ward 30) for use in connection with a proposed residential development.

After consideration, the committee

- (1) approved the acquisition of the former Talisman Public House and shop units at 149 Balgrayhill Road, from Mr Mohammed Mirza at a price to be negotiated and subject to the terms and conditions negotiated by the Director of Development and Regeneration Services; and
- (2) agreed that if negotiations with the owner were unsuccessful, a Compulsory Purchase Order be promoted to acquire the premises.

Land at Knightswood Avenue and 1852 Great Western Road/Knightscliffe Avenue (Ward 7) – Excambion of land approved.

14 There was submitted a report by the Director of Development and Regeneration Services regarding a proposal for the excambion of land at Knightswood Avenue and 1852 Great Western Road/Knightscliffe Avenue (Ward 7) between the Council and Aldi Stores Ltd.

After consideration, the committee approved the excambion of land at Knightswood Avenue and 1852 Great Western Road/Knightscliffe Avenue, between the Council and Aldi Stores Ltd at nil cost, subject to the terms and conditions negotiated by the Director of Development and Regeneration Services.

Exclusion of public.

15 The committee resolved in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the public for the remaining business as exempt information, as defined in paragraphs 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Social Care Services Complaints Review Committee – Findings noted – Response by Director of Social Work Services approved.

16 There were submitted

- (1) 3 reports by the Social Care Services Complaints Review Committee of 5th October and 16th and 24th November 2006, detailing the findings in respect of each complaint;
- (2) comments by each complainant and the Director of Social Work Services in respect of each report; and
- (3) the minutes of the Social Care Services Complaints Review Committees of 5th October and 16th and 24th November 2006 (page 000 hereof).

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the committee's decisions, as detailed in its reports; and
- (b) approved the response by the Director of Social Work Services in respect of each complaint.