

### **Asset Transfer Requests - Annual report noted.**

**3** With reference to the minutes of 16th November 2017 (Print 4, page 409), when the committee noted the proposed evaluation and grading matrix which would enable consistent and transparent assessment of the asset transfer process, there was submitted a report by the Director of Regeneration and the Economy providing information on asset transfers in terms of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, advising

- (1) of the Council's approach to community asset transfer which built upon existing policy and practice that would have as its key features a process that would enable Community Transfer Bodies to proceed at a pace that suited them, offering different routes to asset transfer with a focus on dialogue and partnership;
- (2) that, as at 31st October 2018, 59 enquiry forms had been submitted online, 45 community asset transfer request forms had been issued, with 12 having been returned to date, and that 7 asset transfer forms had been validated and were now being assessed by a wide range of officers from across the Council family and that these requests, together with the associated supporting documents, were available to view on the Council's website;
- (3) of the assessment criteria set out in the Act which relevant authorities must consider when making a decision on an asset transfer request, as detailed in the report;
- (4) that, following the changes to the Council's decision-making structures on 14th September 2018, the committee which would now deal with requests for any review of asset transfer request decisions made under delegated authority in terms of the Act would be the Contracts and Property Committee; and
- (5) that section 95 of the Act required relevant authorities to publish an annual asset transfer report setting out the number of validated requests that had been made and the number of requests, appeals and decisions that had resulted in different outcomes during each year.

After consideration, the committee noted the report and the ongoing work to update the Council's Asset Transfer Register and online information regarding the process.