

NET ZERO AND CLIMATE PROGRESS MONITORING CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 12th November 2024.

Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee.

Present: Lana Reid-McConnell (Chair), Blair Anderson, Alexander Belic, Declan Blench, Abdul Bostani, Christina Cannon, Chris Cunningham, Stephen Docherty, Rashid Hussain, Malcolm Mitchell, Robert Mooney and Eva Murray.

Also present: Angus Millar.

Attending: M Hughes (Clerk); G Slater (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and I Campsie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Glasgow Tree Plan – Update noted etc – Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

1 With reference to the minutes of 7th November 2023 (Print 5, page 66) noting the progress towards the development of a Forestry and Woodland Strategy and the Glasgow Tree Plan, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the actions to deliver the Glasgow Tree Plan, advising

- (1) that the Tree Plan contributed to the development of the Forestry and Woodland Strategy, the city's Climate Plan and sought to build on activity being taken across the operational estate to deliver increased canopy cover across the city;
- (2) of the approval of the Forestry and Woodland Strategy by the City Administration Committee on 6th June 2024 (Print 2, page 45), which was the primary policy document relating to woodland and tree planting in the city;
- (3) of the numbers of trees planted from 2018/19 to 2023/24 in conjunction with partner organisations and volunteers, as detailed in the report;
- (4) of various specific initiatives in support of the delivery of the Tree Plan and of funding considerations, as detailed in the report, including a proposal for grant funding of Green Action Trust to deliver works at Cadder, Hapland Road and Cathkin Quarry;
- (5) of sites identified as potentially suitable for tree and woodland planting over the 10-year period of the Tree Plan and of a summary of actions taken in 2022/23 and 2023/24 and of those planned for 2024/25, as detailed in appendix 1 to the report; and

- (6) of the 20 high level actions being taken towards increasing the tree canopy cover across the city and of the next steps. as detailed in the report.

After consideration and having heard a presentation by Rachel Smith, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee

- (a) noted
- (i) the potential that tree and woodland planting across the operational estate had to contribute towards increased canopy cover, the Forestry and Woodland Strategy and the city's Glasgow Climate Plan;
 - (ii) the operational delivery of trees planted during 2022/23 and 2023/24 and that planned for winter 2024/25; and
 - (iii) progress made as a result of a short life working group, with representatives from across Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability brought together to take forward opportunities such as the Cite Centre Planter and Individual Giving Projects; and
- (b) agreed to recommend to the City Administration Committee, consideration of the grant funding of Green Action Trust to deliver works in support of the Tree Plan at Cadder, Hapland Road and Cathin Quarry.