Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee – Annual Assessment noted etc.

6 There was submitted a report by Councillor Lana Reid-McConnell, Chair of this committee regarding an annual assessment of the work of the committee,

(1) advising that

- (a) Council Standing Order No 32 required that an annual assessment of the work of each City Policy Committee should be carried out to assess the effectiveness of the working of the committee and to assess any training needs of members and officers, with the assessment being carried out by the relevant Convener in years 1 and 2 and an independent assessment being carried out in year 3 and every third year thereafter; and
- (b) this committee was established in May 2022 following the Local Government Elections with its Terms of Reference having been approved by Council on 19th May 2022 (Print 1, page 23); and

(2) highlighting

- (a) that workplans for the committee had been agreed on 8th August 2023 (Print 3, page 65), 16th January 2024 (Print 6, page 53) and 13th August 2024 (Print 3, page 111);
- (b) that all members had been invited to input into the workplans with the focus being on reports which reviewed, revised or created new policies and on considering reports for information or update;
- (c) that to date 41 items had been considered by committee, as detailed in an appendix to the report;
- (d) the development needs of members, training updates and a proposal that members take or refresh their climate literacy training; and
- (e) the effectiveness of the working of the committee including the committee's notable achievements together with the supported presentation of 8 reports to the City Administration Committee for approval, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

- (i) noted the annual assessment of the work of the committee; and
- (ii) requested members to take or refresh their climate literacy training.