

COP26 legacy – Role of committee noted.

8 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the role of this committee in developing a legacy for COP26, the 26th United Nations Climate Change Conference, advising that

- (1) following postponement of the conference in 2020 due to COVID-19, COP26 was now due to run from 1st to 12th November 2021 at the Scottish Event Campus and the intent remained to hold the summit in person, whilst putting the health and wellbeing of local communities and delegations at the centre of decisions about how the event would take shape;
- (2) Glasgow's focus for COP26 was on supporting and delivering a safe and successful conference by keeping the city moving, supporting the appropriate public health measures and delivering a legacy for the city;
- (3) all committees across the Council had a role to play in developing a legacy for COP26 with this committee having a role to play through its workstreams in developing housing, planning, public realm and economic policies, as detailed in the report; and
- (4) the key aim of COP26 was to seek global action to safeguard the future of the planet and its inhabitants from global warming and to ensure that the Paris commitments to keeping global temperature rises below 1.5 degrees centigrade were maintained and although the key broad workstreams were currently ongoing, this committee would be required to reflect further upon its role in developing a COP26 legacy once the agreements/actions from the COP26 event were known.