Minutes of

Glasgow City Council

2026/27 – Print 1

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MINUTES

OF

GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL.

Hybrid meeting, 2nd April 2026.

Glasgow City Council.

Present: The Lord Provost, Jacqueline McLaren (Chair).

CHRISTY MEARNS	STEPHEN DOCHERTY	ELAINE MCDOUGALL
JAMES ADAMS	LAURA DOHERTY	DONNA MCGILL
SAQIB AHMED	SEAN FERGUSON	NORMAN MACLEOD
SUSAN AITKEN	ELAINE GALLAGHER	ELAINE MCSPORRAN
IMRAN ALAM	MARIE GARRITY	ANNE MCTAGGART
KEN ANDREW	ZEN GHANI	LEÒDHAS MASSIE
ALEXANDER BELIC	ALLAN GOW	ANGUS MILLAR
RICHARD BELL	WILLIAM GRAHAM	MALCOLM MITCHELL
DECLAN BLENCH	GREG HEPBURN	JON MOLYNEUX
EVA BOLANDER	FIONA HIGGINS	ROBERT MOONEY
ABDUL BOSTANI	SEONAD HOY	MARGARET MORGAN
PHILIP BRAAT	MHAIRI HUNTER	CECILIA O'LONE
JILL BROWN	RASHID HUSSAIN	JILL PIDGEON
HOLLY BRUCE	DAN HUTCHISON	LINDA PIKE
GRAHAM CAMPBELL	FYEZA IKHLAQ	HANIF RAJA
CHRISTINA CANNON	EUNIS JASSEMI	DAVENA RANKIN
PAUL CAREY	ANN JENKINS	THOMAS RANNACHAN
ANTHONY CARROLL	LILITH JOHNSTONE	LANA REID-MCCONNELL
JOHN CARSON	JIM KAVANAGH	ROZA SALIH
ALLAN CASEY	RUAIRI KELLY	FRANNY SCALLY
ANNETTE CHRISTIE	ALEX KERR	SORYIA SIDDIQUE
CHRIS CUNNINGHAM	MATT KERR	KIERAN TURNER
STEPHEN CURRAN	KEVIN LALLEY	CATHERINE VALLIS
FEARGAL DALTON	PAUL LEINSTER	MARTHA WARDROP
JOHN DALY	FRANK MCAVEETY	ALEX WILSON
AUDREY DEMPSEY	PAUL MCCABE	

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Apologies: Bill Butler, Sharon Greer, Thomas Kerr, Eva Murray and George Redmond.

Present: E Rodger (Clerk), M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; S Millar, Chief Executive; J McGhee, Executive Director of Education Services; R Emmott, Executive Director of Finance; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance.

Minutes approved.

1 The minutes of the Council meeting of 24th February 2026 (Print 7, pages 1 to 20) were submitted and approved.

Minutes of committees submitted and approved.

2 The minutes of the undernoted committees were submitted and approved:-

(1) City Administration Committee of 12th and 26th February and 12th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 21 to 32);

(2) City Policy Committees

(a) Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration of 10th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 33 to 36);

(b) Education, Skills and Early Years of 12th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 37 to 40);

(c) Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods of 17th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 41 to 44);

(d) Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring of 3rd March 2026 (Print 7, pages 45 to 48); and

(e) Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement of 5th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 49 to 56);

(3) Contracts and Property Committee of 26th February and 19th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 57 to 66);

(4) Licensing and Regulatory Committee of 11th and 25th February and 4th, 11th and 18th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 67 to 92);

(5) Personnel Appeals Committee of 17th February and 3rd, 4th, 5th, 17th and 18th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 93 to 104);

(6) Planning Applications Committee of 19th February and 10th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 105 to 110);

(7) Planning Local Review Committee of 17th February and 3rd and 17th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 111 to 116);

(8) Scrutiny Committees:-

(a) Finance and Audit of 25th February 2026 (Print 7, pages 117 to 120); and

(b) Operational Performance and Delivery of 11th February and 11th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 121 to 126); and

(9) Strathclyde Pension Fund Committee of 18th March 2026 (Print 7, pages 127 to end).

Changes to committees approved.

3 The Council approved the following appointments and changes to committees:-

Committee etc.	*Appointment*
Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee	Remove Alexander Belic and appoint Mhairi Hunter

Questions.

4 Answers to the following questions, of which notice had been given under Standing Order No 11, were given as undernoted:-

Question by	*Question*	*Answered by*
Councillor Lilith Johnstone	In light of the recent Council decision to provide a public holiday for Council staff during Scotland's World Cup game, can the City Treasurer confirm what assessment has been made of the impact on childcare provision across the city?	Councillor Richard Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion
Councillor Rashid Hussain	To ask the relevant Convener: What procedural improvements will be introduced to ensure that future road closures are planned, communicated, and overseen more effectively, particularly in light of the issues previously experienced at the Darnley Mains junction?	Councillor Laura Doherty City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Robert Mooney	Can the relevant Convener confirm how many designated disabled parking bays have been removed or lost over the past five years, and set out what	Councillor Angus Millar City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Transport

	actions the Council intends to take to reinstate, replace, or rectify this reduction in accessible on-street parking for disabled residents?	
Bailie Soryia Siddique	Can the relevant Convener advise what enforcement action the Council has taken to prevent further disrepair or demolition of heritage buildings in North Laurieston?	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use
Councillor Holly Bruce	To ask the relevant City Convener what work is underway to action the Public Toilet Strategy?	Councillor Laura Doherty City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Jon Molyneux	To ask the relevant City Convener what plans are in place for the reopening of George Square later in the year?	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader of the Council and Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Bailie Seonad Hoy	To ask the relevant City Convener to what extent the Council was involved in Police Scotland's introduction of a temporary dispersal zone in the city centre and what assurances they have received that this will not curtail the public's right to assemble and protest?	Councillor Angus Millar City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Transport
Councillor Robert Mooney	To ask the relevant Convener: Following the recent decision to introduce charges for guided tours of the City Chambers, can the Convener confirm whether these charges will also apply when Councillors themselves take groups, such as disabled groups or community organisations, on a tour of the Chamber?	Councillor Greg Hepburn City Convener for Open Government, Council Business Manager
Councillor Malcolm Mitchell	To ask the City Treasurer to reflect on Glasgow's 2026/27 budget, now that all Council	Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City

	budgets in Scotland have been set?	Convener for Financial Inclusion
Councillor Elaine McSporran	To ask the City Convener for Education and Skills will she join me in congratulating the Glasgow schools recognised at the Scottish School Awards?	Councillor Christina Cannon, City Convener for Education, Communities and Equalities
Councillor Declan Blench	To ask the Leader of the Council does she agree that the film “Everybody to Kenmure Street” documents people power and our city’s heritage of welcome and civil resistance?	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader of the Council and Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Councillor Dan Hutchison	To ask the relevant City Convener what conversations have been held with SPT in light of the announcement of extended opening hours and about their decision to remove the free staff travel which was previously provided to ensure staff can get to and from work safely?	Councillor Angus Millar City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Transport
Bailie Martha Wardrop	To ask the relevant City Convener if the Council can urge the Scottish Government to change the law to support not for profit procurement in the provision of residential care for children?	Councillor Chris Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care and Caring and Older People
Councillor Ken Andrew	To ask the City Convener for Housing and Development does he agree that unused and in disrepair phone boxes, ATMs and kiosks are a blight on our streets and we should be either repurposing or decluttering these?	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use
Bailie Martha Wardrop	To ask the relevant City Convener if the Council has any plans to commemorate the centenary of the General Strike?	Councillor Alan Casey, City Convener for Workforce and Homelessness and Addiction Services

Councillor Elaine Gallagher	To ask the relevant City Convener how many Glasgow school pupils will get a free school meal from August and what the average saving is to families?	Councillor Christina Cannon, City Convener for Education, Communities and Equalities

Union Street Fire Recovery - Motion as adjusted, approved.

5 Councillor Aitken, seconded by Councillor Millar, moved that:-

“Council notes with sadness the recent fire that took place at the Union Corner building at Union Street and Gordon Street in Glasgow city centre and acknowledges both the significant impact that this has had for affected businesses and people using Central Station, and the strong emotional response this loss has triggered for Glaswegians. Council commends the swift and professional response of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS), Police Scotland, Network Rail and Council officers in managing a rapidly evolving situation and protecting public safety, which ensured there were no fatalities or injuries resulting from the devastating incident. Council notes that in addition to saving lives, the SFRS's efforts saved neighbouring buildings including the Central Hotel and Glasgow Central Station.

Council wishes to place on record its heartfelt thanks to Glaswegians for the generosity shown in the wake of this incident, including the many offers of alternative premises to help displaced businesses keep trading, and the remarkable financial contributions made through crowdfunding efforts. Council believes that this reflects the compassion, solidarity and community spirit that define our city.

Council understands that the Union Corner building was home to many businesses, including vibrant small businesses in the heart of the city centre. Council further notes that many businesses have been left without access to their premises as a result of the public safety cordon instituted while demolition and clearance are taking place and recognises the significant disruption and financial impact experienced by businesses in and around Union Street, Gordon Street and the wider Glasgow Central area.

Council therefore welcomes the confirmation by the First Minister of a £10million Scottish Government recovery fund which will support the city's recovery efforts and provide a support scheme for affected businesses, which is now open for applications. Council further notes that officers from its Economic Development section have been engaging directly with affected businesses from the outset to provide a single point of contact and signpost support and information. Council also acknowledges the complex and difficult work carried out by the demolition contractors, who have worked round-the-clock to protect public safety and facilitate the early reopening of Central Station, which is critical for so many commuters and the wider Glasgow city centre economy.

Council further acknowledges and welcomes the First Minister's commitment to support Glasgow City Council with the additional costs necessitated by our statutory responsibilities in relation to building and public safety and notes the Scottish

Government's intention to trigger the Bellwin Scheme.

Council recognises the importance of the Union Street area to Glasgow's history and expresses its sadness at the loss of a heritage building in the heart of the Glasgow Central Conservation area. Council further acknowledges the role of the Union Street/Gordon Street area as a key gateway to the city for many and believes that the recovery of this area is vital to the wider city centre experience.
Council welcomes the establishment by the Council Leader of a new strategic Union Street Fire Recovery Group, which brings together key partners from the public and private sector, as well as the city's heritage community, to chart a way forward for the Union Corner site and the recovery of the wider area.

Council notes that the Recovery Group will review existing planned activity in the area, including planned public realm improvements at Gordon Street and Argyle Street Avenue, and the ongoing exploration of a Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) for the Egyptian Halls building. Council further notes that the Recovery Group will provide a strategic leadership role in considering further interventions, including the potential purchase of the Union Corner site and options for recovery and rebuilding on the site that are worthy of its importance to the city centre and the area's historic character.

Council further acknowledges concerns around the origins of this incident, including the possibility that vape products may have contributed to the fire. Council notes that it currently holds no regulatory, licensing or planning role in relation to vape products, other than those tobacco control functions which apply to the sale of all nicotine products. Council further acknowledges fire safety concerns regarding the storage of such products in historic buildings and residential areas, notes that Glasgow City Council has already worked to raise public awareness of the fire risks posed by vapes and other lithium ion battery products through its ongoing campaign for their safe disposal, and believes that MSPs should pay close attention to any conclusions that emerge from the SFRS investigation and consider whether future legislation or regulation of such products is required.

Council believes that responding to this fire and promoting the recovery of Glasgow city centre will require a sustained cross-sectoral and multi-agency response, with powers and resources required to chart a way forward. Council further believes that, while the SFRS investigation is yet to conclude, appropriate lessons must be learned and action taken in response to this tragic incident.

As such, Council resolves to:

- Bring forward a new masterplan for the Central Station quarter, incorporating existing planned activity as well as identifying further projects to support the recovery of this area;

- Write to the Secretary of State for Scotland to ask him to seek funds from the UK Treasury to match those already committed by the Scottish Government, and to both Governments to reiterate existing advocacy positions as set out by the City Centre Task Force, such as the removal of VAT for the maintenance and development of heritage buildings;

- Ensure that the learning from the multiagency operational response Is reported to the Safe Glasgow Partnership and opportunities to further strengthen joint working between the Council, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Police Scotland, Network Rail and Scotrail are considered;

- Write to the Scottish Government, and all MSPs in the city, to ask them to explore bringing forward legislation on the greater regulation of vape products and the storage of lithium Ion batteries;

- Instruct updates on this work to the appropriate Committee in due course."

Councillor Hussain, seconded by Councillor Brown, moved as an amendment that:-

(1) in paragraph 1, at “acknowledges both the significant impact that this has had for affected businesses and people using Central Station” delete “for” and replace with “on”;

(2) in paragraph 5, at the end of the paragraph, insert

“Council agrees that representation from affected businesses should be included within the Union Street Fire Recovery Group.”;

(3) in final paragraph,

(a) delete:

“Write to the Secretary of State for Scotland to ask him to seek funds from the UK Treasury to match those already committed by the Scottish Government, and to both Governments to reiterate existing advocacy positions as set out by the City Centre Task Force, such as the removal of VAT for the maintenance and development of heritage buildings;”; and

(b) insert:

“Agrees that officers should seek to maximise available funding from all levels of government to support recovery and regeneration activity.”; and

(4) insert a final bullet point at the resolve section, which should read as;

“Agrees to establish a cross-party working group to oversee progress on recovery activity, with regular update papers submitted to the relevant Policy Development or Scrutiny Committees.”

Bailie Mearns, seconded by Councillor Gallagher, moved as an amendment that:-

(1) at the end of paragraph 2, add:

"Council also commends the intense and proactive work carried out by officers across the Council family to keep the general public, elected members, and other relevant parties informed during a period of great disruption.";

(2) in paragraph 4, after sentence ending "…city centre economy.", insert additional sentence in paragraph:

"Council notes that a laser scan of the remains of the façade was carried out before demolition took place and that stonework has been retained and will be assessed for possible reuse, recognising the severe impact that fire damage is likely to have had.";

(3) in paragraph 5, after sentence ending "…city centre experience.", insert additional sentences in paragraph:

"Council believes that this incident provides an opportunity to act as a turning point for Union Street and the surrounding area. Recognising constraints around ownership of key sites and buildings, Council nonetheless commits to working with communities, businesses, and partners to ensure that recovery is not only swift but transformative, delivering a greener, safer, and more inclusive city centre. This should include advancing a programme of high-quality regeneration and strategic master-planning focused on sustainable development, improved public realm, support for local enterprise, and the long-term resilience of Glasgow's city centre."

(4) in paragraph 7, in the final sentence, after "safe disposal, and", remove text and replace with:

"therefore calls on the Scottish and UK Governments to review and strengthen regulations governing the sale, storage, and safety standards of such products, ensuring they are appropriate for high street settings and that risks are minimised to prevent incidents of this scale from occurring again."

(5) in paragraph 8, after sentence ending "…a way forward.", insert additional sentence in paragraph:

"Council recalls its motion from September 2025 on improving support for displaced residents and businesses affected by similar incidents and awaits the forthcoming report to committee which will illustrate how the principles of greater coordination and responsiveness were put into practice during the multi-agency response to the Union Street fire."

(6) in final paragraph, remove list of resolutions at end of document and replace with:

“Council therefore resolves to:

(1) Call on the Scottish Government to review the adequacy of existing regulatory regimes and to consider the introduction of strengthened measures - including enhanced Licensing and Planning, enhanced fire safety requirements, and clearer guidance on storage and quantities of vaping products - to reduce risks to the public and to buildings;

(2) Call on the Scottish Government for additional resource in the immediate term to enable the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to target engagement with premises selling vaping products, and other products containing lithium-ion batteries, to provide fire safety advice;

(3) Consider if there are opportunities to better integrate and share information across different regulatory and departmental ‘silos’ in respect of businesses who are not complying with their legal and financial responsibilities, such as Planning, Licensing and Non-Domestic Rates;

(4) Ensure that the Recovery Group is widened out to include all local Elected Members and members of the Glasgow Built Heritage Commission;

(5) Explore whether any stonework from the facade is retained as much as possible to ensure that future opportunities for retention and re-use are maximised;

(6) Develop a masterplan for Union Street and the surrounding area to accelerate public realm improvements and ensure wider positive benefits can be secured for this key part of the city centre. This should include:-

    (a) Bringing forward options, in line with recent traffic modelling exercises, for pedestrianisation of surrounding streets (e.g. Mitchell Street, Renfield Lane, Drury Street) to improve these areas and support businesses;

    (b) Pausing public realm design work for Gordon Street until a masterplan is completed, and more is known about future rebuild options and consider options for temporary animation of the gap site;

    (c) Considering opportunities for future-proofing the NCP multi-storey carpark site on Mitchell Street to bring forward a more positive use, such as affordable housing or open space in line with the City Centre Strategy;

    (d) Developing and implementing a design code and guidance for shopfronts in the area and carry out Planning enforcement of unauthorised signage within the Central Conservation Area.

During the debate, Councillor Aitken, Councillor Hussain and Bailie Mearns, with the approval of their seconders, agreed to combine their motion and amendments resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

"Council notes with sadness the recent fire that took place at the Union Corner building at Union Street and Gordon Street in Glasgow city centre and acknowledges both the significant impact that this has had for affected businesses and people using Central Station, and the strong emotional response this loss has triggered for Glaswegians. Council commends the swift and professional response of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS), Police Scotland, Network Rail and Council officers in managing a rapidly evolving situation and protecting public safety, which ensured there were no fatalities or injuries resulting from the devastating incident. Council notes that in addition to saving lives, the SFRS's efforts saved neighbouring buildings including the Central Hotel and Glasgow Central Station.

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Council understands that the Union Corner building was home to many businesses, including vibrant small businesses in the heart of the city centre. Council further notes that many businesses have been left without access to their premises as a result of the public safety cordon instituted while demolition and clearance are taking place and recognises the significant disruption and financial impact experienced by businesses in and around Union Street, Gordon Street and the wider Glasgow Central area.

Council therefore welcomes the confirmation by the First Minister of a £10million Scottish Government recovery fund which will support the city's recovery efforts and provide a support scheme for affected businesses, which is now open for applications. Council further notes that officers from its Economic Development section have been engaging directly with affected businesses from the outset to provide a single point of contact and signpost support and information. Council also acknowledges the complex and difficult work carried out by the demolition contractors, who have worked round-the-clock to protect public safety and facilitate the early reopening of Central Station, which is critical for so many commuters and the wider Glasgow city centre economy. Council notes that a laser scan of the remains of the façade was carried out before demolition took place and that stonework has been retained and will be assessed for possible reuse, recognising the severe impact that fire damage is likely to have had. Council further acknowledges and welcomes the First Minister's commitment to support Glasgow City Council with the additional costs necessitated by our statutory responsibilities in relation to building and public safety and notes the Scottish Government's intention to trigger the Bellwin Scheme.

Council recognises the importance of the Union Street area to Glasgow's history and expresses its sadness at the loss of a heritage building in the heart of the Glasgow Central Conservation area. Council further acknowledges the role of the Union

Street/Gordon Street area as a key gateway to the city for many and believes that the recovery of this area is vital to the wider city centre experience. Council believes that this incident provides an opportunity to act as a turning point for Union Street and the surrounding area. Recognising constraints around ownership of key sites and buildings, Council nonetheless commits to working with communities, businesses, and partners to ensure that recovery is not only swift but transformative, delivering a greener, safer, and more inclusive city centre. This should include advancing a programme of high-quality regeneration and strategic master-planning focused on sustainable development, improved public realm, support for local enterprise, and the long-term resilience of Glasgow's city centre.
Council therefore welcomes the establishment by the Council Leader of a new strategic Union Street Fire Recovery Group, which brings together key partners from the public and private sector, as well as the city's heritage community, to chart a way forward for the Union Corner site and the recovery of the wider area.

Council notes that the Recovery Group will review existing planned activity in the area, including planned public realm improvements at Gordon Street and Argyle Street Avenue, and the ongoing exploration of a Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) for the Egyptian Halls building. Council further notes that the Recovery Group will provide a strategic leadership role in considering further interventions, including the potential purchase of the Union Corner site and options for recovery and rebuilding on the site that are worthy of its importance to the city centre and the area's historic character.

Council further acknowledges concerns around the origins of this incident, including the possibility that vape products may have contributed to the fire. Council notes that it currently holds no regulatory, licensing or planning role in relation to vape products, other than those tobacco control functions which apply to the sale of all nicotine products. Council further acknowledges fire safety concerns regarding the storage of such products in historic buildings and residential areas, notes that Glasgow City Council has already worked to raise public awareness of the fire risks posed by vapes and other lithium ion battery products through its ongoing campaign for their safe disposal, and therefore calls on the Scottish and UK Governments to review and strengthen regulations governing the sale, storage, and safety standards of such products, ensuring they are appropriate for high street settings and that risks are minimised to prevent incidents of this scale from occurring again.

Council believes that responding to this fire and promoting the recovery of Glasgow city centre will require a sustained cross-sectoral and multi-agency response, with powers and resources required to chart a way forward. Council recalls its motion from September 2025 on improving support for displaced residents and businesses affected by similar incidents and awaits the forthcoming report to committee which will illustrate how the principles of greater coordination and responsiveness were put into practice during the multi-agency response to the Union Street fire. Council further believes that, while the SFRS investigation is yet to conclude, appropriate lessons must be learned and action taken in response to this tragic incident.

As such, Council resolves to:

- Bring forward a new masterplan for the Central Station quarter, incorporating existing planned activity as well as identifying further projects to support the recovery of this area, noting that officers are already incorporating thinking about wider pedestrianisation and potential opportunities such as the NCP car park in Mitchell Street;

- Establish a Political Oversight Group with cross-party representation, to enable elected members to be sighted on the work of the expert Union Street Fire Recovery Group;

- Write to the Secretary of State for Scotland to ask him to seek funds from the UK Treasury to match those already committed by the Scottish Government, and to both Governments to reiterate existing advocacy positions as set out by the City Centre Task Force, such as the removal of VAT for the maintenance and development of heritage buildings;

- Agrees that officers should seek to maximise available funding from all levels of Government to support recovery and regeneration activity;

- Consider if there are opportunities to better integrate and share information across different regulatory and departmental 'silos' in respect of businesses who are not complying with their legal and financial responsibilities, such as Planning, Licensing and Non-Domestic Rates;

- Ensure that the learning from the multiagency operational response Is reported to the Safe Glasgow Partnership and opportunities to further strengthen joint working between the Council, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Police Scotland, Network Rail and Scotrail are considered;

- Call on the Scottish Government to review the adequacy of existing regulatory regimes and to consider the introduction of strengthened measures - including enhanced Licensing and Planning, enhanced fire safety requirements, and clearer guidance on storage and quantities of vaping products - to reduce risks to the public and to buildings; and

- Instruct updates on this work to the appropriate Committee in due course."

Fire safety and lithium-ion battery risk management - Motion as adjusted, approved.

6 Councillor Rannachan, seconded by Bailie Jenkins, moved that:-

"Council notes the major fire on 8 March 2026 on Union Street, adjacent to Glasgow Central Station, which is believed to have begun in a vape shop and resulted in significant structural damage, the partial collapse of a B listed building, and major disruption to the rail network.

Council further notes the scale of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service response and the wider public safety concerns associated with lithium ion battery fires, which are known to burn hotter and faster than conventional fires and have been implicated in incidents involving vape devices and waste handling processes.

Council acknowledges that the affected building forms part of Glasgow's historic built environment and that the incident highlights the vulnerability of older properties to fast spreading fires.

Council recognises that lithium-ion battery fire risks have implications for Council operations, including cleansing activity, waste handling procedures, and the management of property within the Council's ownership or stewardship.
Council also notes the work already being undertaken through the Take Charge Glasgow campaign to improve public awareness of safe battery disposal and reduce fire risk within waste services.

Council notes that statutory fire safety duties for commercial premises rest with individual businesses under the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 and that City Property already considers proposed business uses as part of its assessment processes, supported by robust lease conditions requiring tenants to comply with fire safety and insurance obligations.

Council also notes that investigations into the Union Street incident are ongoing, and nothing in this motion should be interpreted as prejudging their outcome.

Council therefore resolves to:

1. Request a report from the Chief Executive to the appropriate committee that:

    - Reviews existing Council activity relating to lithium-ion battery fire risk, including the Take Charge Glasgow campaign and relevant operational procedures within Council services.
    - Identifies opportunities to strengthen public awareness and partnership working with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Transport Scotland, Network Rail, and local businesses.
    - Sets out any options for enhancing fire prevention and emergency preparedness measures within older and heritage buildings that are owned or managed by the Council.

2. Instruct the Chief Executive to engage with City Property (Glasgow) LLP to:

    - Discuss whether any additional non statutory guidance or good practice approaches may support consideration of lithium ion battery fire safety issues when assessing tenant proposals, particularly within heritage or mixed use properties.

3. Agree that these actions constitute a proportionate and precautionary response to established fire risk evidence and support the safeguarding of residents, workers, visitors, and Glasgow's built heritage.”

Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Andrew, moved as an amendment that:-

(1) in paragraph 1, replace ‘vape shop’ with ‘shop that sold vapes’;

(2) in paragraph 2, after ‘waste handling process.’ Insert

“Council further notes that lithium-ion batteries are ubiquitous in modern portable electrical products, including mobile phones, laptops and power tools: and that the quality of the batteries themselves can vary greatly.’;

(3) at the end of paragraph 6, insert the following sentence:

"And further notes that in a building of this type, with so many uses, that there could be multiple reasons for both the initial fire and its acceleration."

(4) at the end, create action 4:

“Write to the Scottish Government, and all MSPs in the city, to ask them to explore bringing forward legislation on the greater regulation of vape products and the storage of lithium-ion batteries.”

Councillor Rannachan, with the approval of his seconder, accepted the amendment by Councillor Bell, resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

“Council notes the major fire on 8 March 2026 on Union Street, adjacent to Glasgow Central Station, which began in a shop that sold vapes and resulted in significant structural damage, the partial collapse of a B-listed building, and major disruption to the rail network.

Council further notes the scale of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service response and the wider public-safety concerns associated with lithium-ion battery fires, which are known to burn hotter and faster than conventional fires and have been implicated in incidents involving vape devices and waste-handling processes. Council further notes that lithium-ion batteries are ubiquitous in modern portable electrical products, including mobile phones, laptops and power tools: and that the quality of the batteries themselves can vary greatly.

Council acknowledges that the affected building forms part of Glasgow’s historic built environment and that the incident highlights the vulnerability of older properties to fast-spreading fires.

Council recognises that lithium-ion battery fire risks have implications for Council operations, including cleansing activity, waste-handling procedures, and the management of property within the Council’s ownership or stewardship. Council also notes the work already being undertaken through the Take Charge Glasgow campaign to improve public awareness of safe battery disposal and reduce fire risk within waste services.

Council notes that statutory fire-safety duties for commercial premises rest with individual businesses under the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 and that City Property already considers proposed business uses as part of its assessment processes, supported by robust lease conditions requiring tenants to comply with fire-safety and insurance obligations.

Council also notes that investigations into the Union Street incident are ongoing, and nothing in this motion should be interpreted as prejudging their outcome.
Council therefore resolves to:

1. Request a report from the Chief Executive to the appropriate committee that:

- Reviews existing Council activity relating to lithium-ion battery fire risk, including the Take Charge Glasgow campaign and relevant operational procedures within Council services.

- Identifies opportunities to strengthen public awareness and partnership working with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Transport Scotland, Network Rail, and local businesses.

- Sets out any options for enhancing fire-prevention and emergency-preparedness measures within older and heritage buildings that are owned or managed by the Council.

2. Instruct the Chief Executive to engage with City Property (Glasgow) LLP to:

- Discuss whether any additional non-statutory guidance or good-practice approaches may support consideration of lithium-ion battery fire-safety issues when assessing tenant proposals, particularly within heritage or mixed-use properties.

3. Agree that these actions constitute a proportionate and precautionary response to established fire-risk evidence and support the safeguarding of residents, workers, visitors, and Glasgow's built heritage.

4. Write to the Scottish Government, and all MSPs in the city, to ask them to explore bringing forward legislation on the greater regulation of vape products and the storage of lithium-ion batteries.

Adjournment.

7 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1245 hours until 1400 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

8 The meeting resumed at 1400 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present: The Lord Provost, Jacqueline McLaren (Chair).

CHRISTY MEARNS
JAMES ADAMS
SAQIB AHMED
SUSAN AITKEN
IMRAN ALAM
KEN ANDREW
ALEXANDER BELIC
RICHARD BELL
DECLAN BLENCH
EVA BOLANDER
ABDUL BOSTANI
PHILIP BRAAT
JILL BROWN
HOLLY BRUCE
GRAHAM CAMPBELL
CHRISTINA CANNON
PAUL CAREY
ANTHONY CARROLL
JOHN CARSON
ALLAN CASEY
ANNETTE CHRISTIE
CHRIS CUNNINGHAM
STEPHEN CURRAN
FEARGAL DALTON
JOHN DALY
AUDREY DEMPSEY
STEPHEN DOCHERTY
LAURA DOHERTY
SEAN FERGUSON
ELAINE GALLAGHER
MARIE GARRITY
ZEN GHANI
ALLAN GOW
WILLIAM GRAHAM
GREG HEPBURN
FIONA HIGGINS
SEONAD HOY
MHAIRI HUNTER
RASHID HUSSAIN
DAN HUTCHISON
FYEZA IKHLAQ
EUNIS JASSEMI
ANN JENKINS
LILITH JOHNSTONE
JIM KAVANAGH
RUAIRI KELLY
ALEX KERR
KEVIN LALLEY
PAUL LEINSTER
FRANK MCAVEETY
PAUL MCCABE
ELAINE MCDOUGALL
DONNA MCGILL
NORMAN MACLEOD
ELAINE MCSPORRAN
ANNE MCTAGGART
LEÒDHAS MASSIE
ANGUS MILLAR
MALCOLM MITCHELL
JON MOLYNEUX
ROBERT MOONEY
MARGARET MORGAN
CECILIA O'LONE
JILL PIDGEON
LINDA PIKE
HANIF RAJA
DAVENA RANKIN
THOMAS RANNACHAN
LANA REID-MCCONNELL
ROZA SALIH
FRANNY SCALLY
SORYIA SIDDIQUE
KIERAN TURNER
CATHERINE VALLIS
MARTHA WARDROP
ALEX WILSON

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LORD DEAN OF GUILD

Apologies: Sharon Greer, Eva Murray, Thomas Kerr and George Redmond.

Attending: E Rodger (Clerk), M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; S Millar, Chief Executive; J McGhee, Executive Director of Education Services; R Emmott, Executive Director of Finance; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance.

Celebrating and protecting Glasgow's cultural life – Motion as adjusted, approved.

9 Bailie Mearns, seconded by Councillor Molyneux, moved that:-

"Glasgow's identity as a vibrant, internationally renowned cultural city has been built on the strength of its artists, venues, grassroots organisations, and accessible creative spaces. From music and visual arts to performance and community-led initiatives, culture is fundamental to the city's social fabric, economic vitality, and global reputation.

Council recognises significant strides which have recently been made in Glasgow's cultural development, including the refurbishment of the Burrell Collection which has recently received the Design Effectiveness Silver Award; celebrates work which is ongoing to develop culture as a driver of regeneration in the Sauchiehall Street Culture & Heritage District project; and notes ongoing, local investment into Glasgow's museums and collections, which continue to be provided free of charge to Glasgow's residents and visitors.

However, Council notes with concern the many challenges facing Glasgow's cultural sector. While the recent closure of the Centre for Contemporary Arts (CCA) on Sauchiehall Street was not within the Council's control, it is important to acknowledge this has had an impact on other culture organisations and practitioners and has damaged the vibrancy of this part of the city. Council understands that Creative Scotland, as the building's owner, is working on options for its future, and that both the Council and Glasgow Life have interests in ensuring that the city's cultural needs and the regeneration aspirations for the immediate local area are reflected in whatever happens next with the venue.

Council also notes concerns over rising rents and uncapped service charges proposed for the organisations based at Trongate 103, which risks placing them under unsustainable financial pressure. Council recognises that engagement has taken place over several years with the tenants of Trongate 103 to bring forward a sustainable operating and rental model, however believes that current proposals (of the Council's landlord, City Property) do not go far enough to protect many of these cultural organisations from the threat of closure.

Council recognises that without greater collective intervention, important cultural anchor organisations within Trongate 103, such as Glasgow Print Studio, Project Ability, Street Level Photoworks, Sharmanka Kinetic Theatre, Transmission Gallery, Glasgow Independent Studio and GMAC may be put in serious jeopardy, along with all of the artists and communities that sustain, and are sustained by, them.

Council also recognises that if additional steps are not taken, the original creative purpose agreed for the building, prior to its opening in 2009, to provide a long-term home for arts and culture may be undermined. This mission was made possible with public funding, including from Glasgow City Council, Scottish Arts Council, Scottish Enterprise Glasgow and which resulted in the successful rebrand of Merchant City and Trongate as the Culture Quarter.

Council therefore notes with concern that current pressures, relating to increasing rents and service charges, may instead result in artists, communities and key organisations being displaced or forced to close. Council further notes that long-standing tenants, who have contributed to its success over 17 years, since launching as a flagship cultural hub, are under threat due to changes in property management which took place after this building was set up.

In line with positive commitments made in Glasgow's Cultural Strategy 2024-2030, this Council believes that:

1. Culture is a public good that must be actively supported and protected;
2. Affordable, stable spaces are essential for creative practice to thrive;
3. Glasgow's reputation as a cultural leader depends on meaningful, long-term investment and policy support.

This Council therefore resolves to:

1. Engage urgently with tenants, partners and funders to consider the sustainability of rent and service charge increases for Trongate 103 tenants, explore funding options to mitigate the impact of rent increases and review opportunities for service charge reductions;

2. Work with cultural organisations, artists, and community groups to develop a Cultural Protection Strategy that safeguards key venues and supports the long-term sustainability of the sector;

3. Investigate options for increasing the availability of affordable, cultural spaces across the city and exploring the option of purchasing venues from City Property if there is likely to be an ongoing tension in respect of its remit, recognising that there will be a number of legal, financial and governance implications that will need to be considered;

4. Advocate to the Scottish Government for increased funding and policy support to address the culture funding crisis, and restate the need for national funding to support Glasgow's galleries and museums;

5. Write to the Scottish Government requesting the introduction of a Universal Basic Income pilot for artists, like Ireland recently delivered and is now making permanent; and

6. Request that the Leader of the Council writes to the Minister for Public Finance to seek a further review of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 to consider the inclusion of appropriate arms-length organisations of local authorities into the scope of the Act and within the schedule of public service bodies it applies to."

Bailie Christie, seconded by Councillor Leinster, moved as an amendment that:-

(1) after paragraph 1, insert 3 new paragraphs:

"Council continues to support ongoing work and cultural exchanges at a local, national and international level to platform Glasgow's cultural offer and develop opportunities for the creative sector. Council believes that access to culture is our right, as stated in the Glasgow Culture Strategy 2024-2030, recognising the role of culture in sustainable development; and supports the international calls for Culture to be a standalone United Nations Sustainable Development Goal.

Council also acknowledges the ongoing contribution of Glasgow Life's Visual Artist and Craft Maker Awards, Arts Development programmes and Artists in Communities, which continue to nurture grassroots creativity across the city.

Council recognises the continued financial support for grassroots creativity, strengthened by the £1.25m Glasgow 2026 Festival Fund, which awarded up to £10,000 to 163 projects across all 23 wards. This funding has enabled genuinely local, community-led events, expanded access to culture, supported emerging artists, and helped build lasting creative capacity across neighbourhoods. Council welcomes the Scottish Government's record national uplift in arts funding, alongside increased festival investment, including £524,000 for four Glasgow festivals. It further notes the wider reach of the new Expanded Festivals Fund across Glasgow's cultural ecosystem. Council also commends the additional £3.5m awarded to the Citizens Theatre, bringing total government investment to £17.5m, underlining its importance to the Gorbals, Glasgow and Scotland's cultural sector.";

(2) at paragraph 2,

(a) delete all up to "Silver Award" and replace with

"Council recognises other significant strides which have recently been made in Glasgow's cultural development, including the £68.25 million refurbishment of the Burrell Collection where almost half of the investment was committed by Glasgow City Council; Council congratulates Glasgow Museums on the many accolades received since the reopening of The Burrell, including Art Fund Museum of the Year in 2023 and most recently received the Design Effectiveness Silver Award."

(b) insert "Council" before "celebrates work which is ongoing to develop culture as a driver of regeneration in the Sauchiehall Street Culture & Heritage District project"; and

(c) and add to sentence:

"…noting the National Lottery Heritage Fund award last month which will help restore important heritage spaces, such as the McLellan

Galleries and will see groups such as the Scottish Ensemble, Glasgow Film and Articulate moving into the Galleries to bring new activities and a refreshed energy to the much-loved landmark."; and

(d) Create new paragraph from *" notes ongoing ….residents and visitors"* and change to

"Council also notes ongoing, local investment into Glasgow's museums and collections, including Council already £13m committing towards the renovation of People's Palace and Winter Gardens, which continue to be provided free of charge to Glasgow's residents and visitors."

(3) at paragraph 4, delete all and replace with:

"Council acknowledges ongoing engagement between City Property, tenants and partners to develop a sustainable, long-term operating model for Trongate 103, recognising the need to protect its cultural purpose while ensuring financial viability. Council agrees this dialogue should continue."

(4) at paragraph 5, delete all and replace with:

"Council understands that all the remaining tenants have signed on to monthly rolling leases at £4 per square foot. Council understands City property will work with tenants if they require to make changes to their footprint and that City Property have committed to a rent review in five years to ensure rents are consistent with comparable cultural properties across the city. Council recognises the important work that these cultural organisations including Glasgow Print Studio, Project Ability, Street Level Photoworks, Sharmanka Kinetic Theatre, Transmission Gallery and Glasgow Independent Studio do, along with all of the artists and communities that sustain and are sustained by them."

(5) after paragraph 5, insert new paragraph:

"Council wants to continue to provide support for cultural and creative organisations in the city and therefore agrees to redirect £200k from the Culture and Recreation Fund to create a new "Culture and Creative Industry Property Support Fund" which would provide grants to support creative and cultural organisations in the city with property costs including rental and service charge costs.";

(6) at paragraph 6, delete all and replace with:

"Council also agrees that the original creative purpose agreed for the building, prior to its opening in 2009, to provide a long-term home for arts and culture should be preserved. This mission was made possible with public funding, including from Glasgow City Council, Scottish Arts Council, Scottish Enterprise Glasgow and which resulted in the successful rebrand of Merchant City and Trongate as the Culture Quarter, however Council also recognises the necessity of securing a sustainable long-term future for the building for all partners.

(7) at paragraph 7, delete all and replace with:

"Council therefore notes that the landlord City Property is continuing to offer a highly subsidised level of rent, well below market rates, and is working with tenants to explore ways whereby essential services, such as cleaning, may be delivered at lower cost."

(8) at paragraph, 8,

(a) insert the following after at the end of bullet 3:

"…and collaborative partnership working across the culture sector";

(b) after "This Council therefore resolves to:", insert new bullet point 1:

"Agree to create a new Culture and Creative Industry Property Support Fund"

(c) Change original bullet no 1 to:

"Continue to engage with tenants, partners and funders to secure the long-term sustainability of rent, service charges for Trongate 103 tenants, maintain the significant rental subsidies currently provided, explore potential mechanisms for further rent relief and review opportunities for service charge reductions";

(d) delete bullet no 2 and replace with:

"Continue to work with cultural organisations, artists, and community groups to take forward the Culture Strategy Priority 2 commitment to Cultural Participation and work in partnership to ensure a place-based approach to investment in cultural spaces, promote community-led programming and recognise the value of cultural participation to community wellbeing. Also, reaffirm Council's commitment to Culture Strategy Priority 4 to ensure the economic sustainability of our cultural sector.";

(e) delete bullet no 4 and replace with:

"Advocate to the Scottish Government for increased funding and policy support to address the culture funding challenges facing the sector, acknowledging the significant increases already delivered;"; and

(f) delete bullet no 5 and replace with:

"Request that the Scottish Government explores targeted income-stability support for artists through existing cultural programmes, informed by international examples like Ireland's Universal Basic Income for artists and aligned with devolved powers;".

Councillor O'Lone, seconded by Councillor Mooney, moved as an amendment that:-

(1) at paragraph 4,

(a) insert the following after "financial pressure":

"Council notes that City Property has advised that no tenants are being evicted and that existing leases are being brought to an end to allow for new agreements from April 2026, following an independent rental assessment process. Council further notes that this assessment identified higher potential market rents but recommended a sustainable rate for cultural and creative organisations in recognition of the building's long-standing role as a cultural hub and the financial position of tenants. Council also notes the write-off of historic arrears and ongoing engagement between City Property, Glasgow Life and tenants regarding affordability and operational sustainability.";

(b) then insert and additional paragraph to read:

"Council recognises that engagement has taken place over several years with the tenants of Trongate 103 to bring forward a sustainable operating and rental model, however believes that, despite these measures, significant concerns remain as to whether the proposed rent and service charge arrangements are affordable or sustainable in the long term, and whether they go far enough to protect cultural organisations from the risk of closure or displacement.";

(2) at paragraph 6,

(a) insert the following after "arts and culture";

"at affordable and accessible rates for creative organisations,"

(b) insert the following after "public funding":

"and contributed to the successful development of Merchant City and Trongate as a recognised Culture Quarter.";

(3) at paragraph 7, insert the following after "forced to close";

"Council further notes concerns regarding the transparency and adequacy of engagement with tenant organisations, the methodology used to assess affordability and long-term sustainability, and the extent to which decisions relating to Trongate 103 align with the ambitions set out in Glasgow's Cultural Strategy 2024–2030, including commitments to community wealth building and the protection of cultural infrastructure, within the context of ongoing real-terms financial pressures on local government."

(4) at paragraph 8,

(a) after "supported and protected", insert:

"Culture's social and community value cannot be assessed solely on the basis of commercial rental value, and must reflect the wider contribution of cultural organisations to Glasgow's communities, wellbeing and economy";

(b) after bullet point 1, commencing "Engage urgently with tenants…", insert the following

", and report back to the relevant committee within six months with clear recommendations, including options for intervention, financial support and any required policy changes.";

(c) at bullet point 2, after "Work with cultural organisations, artists, and community groups to develop a Cultural Protection Strategy" ; insert the following:

", including criteria for identifying and safeguarding key cultural assets, mechanisms to prevent displacement, and options for long-term affordability of creative spaces;";

(d) at bullet point 3, after "financial and governance implications that will need to be considered", insert the following

", and to review whether current governance arrangements for arms-length organisations are delivering outcomes consistent with the Council's cultural and community objectives";

(e) at the end of bullet point 4, insert the following:

", including multi-year funding settlements for local government and targeted support for cultural infrastructure in cities with nationally significant cultural assets;"

Bailie Mearns, with the approval of her seconder, accepted the amendments by Bailie Christie and Councillor O'Lone, resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

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Council celebrates work which is ongoing to develop culture as a driver of regeneration in the Sauchiehall Street Culture & Heritage District project noting the National Lottery Heritage Fund award last month which will help restore important heritage spaces, such as the McLellan Galleries and will see groups such as the Scottish Ensemble, Glasgow Film and Articulate moving into the Galleries to bring new activities and a refreshed energy to the much-loved landmark.

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Council acknowledges ongoing engagement between City Property, tenants and partners to develop a sustainable, long-term operating model for Trongate 103, following concerns raised by tenants over rent and service charge rises and the risk of closure or displacement. Council notes that City Property has advised that no tenants are technically being evicted and that existing leases are being brought to an end to allow for new agreements from April 2026, following an independent rental assessment process, however notes that the levels proposed are higher than the independent recommendations. Council understands that all the remaining tenants have signed on to monthly rolling leases at £4 per square foot. Council understands City property will work with tenants if they require to make changes to their footprint, however this may not be possible for many of the organisations due to operational and safeguarding needs, for example; and that City Property have committed to a rent review in five years to ensure rents are consistent with comparable cultural properties across the city. Council agrees this dialogue should continue.

Council recalls the original creative purpose agreed for the building, prior to its opening in 2009, to provide a long-term home for arts and culture, at affordable and accessible rates for creative organisations. This mission was made possible with public funding, including from Glasgow City Council, Scottish Arts Council, Scottish Enterprise Glasgow and which resulted in the successful rebrand of Merchant City and Trongate as the Culture Quarter. Council recognises the important work that cultural organisations including Glasgow Print Studio, Project Ability, Street Level Photoworks, Sharmanka Kinetic Theatre, Transmission Gallery and Glasgow Independent Studio do, along with all of the artists and communities that sustain and are sustained by them. Council also recognises the necessity of securing a sustainable long-term future for the building for all partners and the need to protect its cultural purpose while ensuring financial viability.

Council wants to continue to provide support for cultural and creative organisations in the city and therefore agrees to redirect £200k from the Culture and Recreation Fund to create a new “Culture and Creative Industry Property Support Fund” which would provide grants to support creative and cultural organisations in the city with property costs including rental and service charge costs.

In line with positive commitments made in Glasgow’s Cultural Strategy 2024-2030, this Council believes that:

1. Culture is a public good that must be actively supported and protected;

2. Affordable, stable spaces are essential for creative practice to thrive;

3. Glasgow’s reputation as a cultural leader depends on meaningful, long-term investment and policy support and collaborative partnership working across the culture sector.

This Council therefore resolves to:

1. Agree to create a new Culture and Creative Industry Property Support Fund;

2. Continue to engage with tenants, partners and funders to secure the long-term sustainability of rent and service charges for Trongate 103 tenants, maintain the significant rental subsidies currently provided, explore potential mechanisms for further rent relief and review opportunities for service charge reductions. Council requests that this work continue at pace;

3. Continue to work with cultural organisations, artists, and community groups to take forward the Culture Strategy Priority 2 commitment to Cultural Participation and work in partnership to ensure a place-based approach to investment in cultural spaces, promote community-led programming and recognise the value of cultural participation to community wellbeing. Also, reaffirm Council's commitment to Culture Strategy Priority 4 to ensure the economic sustainability of our cultural sector including criteria for identifying and safeguarding key cultural assets, mechanisms to prevent displacement, and options for long-term affordability of creative spaces;

4. Investigate options for increasing the availability of affordable, cultural spaces across the city and exploring the option of purchasing venues from City Property if there is likely to be an ongoing tension in respect of its remit, recognising that there will be a number of legal, financial and governance implications that will need to be considered;

5. Advocate to the Scottish Government for increased funding and policy support to address culture funding challenges, acknowledging the significant increases already delivered, and restate the need for national funding to support Glasgow's galleries and museums including multi-year funding settlements for local government and targeted support for nationally significant cultural infrastructure in Glasgow;

6. Request that the Scottish Government explores targeted income-stability support for artists through existing cultural programmes, informed by international examples like Ireland's Universal Basic Income for artists and aligned with devolved powers; and

7. Request that the Leader of the Council writes to the Minister for Public Finance to seek a further review of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 to consider the inclusion of appropriate arms-length organisations of local authorities into the scope of the Act and be within the schedule of public service bodies it applies to."

Glasgow rejects American aggression – Motion as adjusted approved, after division.

10 Councillor Massie, seconded by Councillor Hutchison, moved that:-

“Council condemns the American-Israeli attack on Iran. We recognise that these attacks are a sickening attempt by the leaders of the US and Israel to distract from domestic pressure following a slew of scandals and poor popularity.

Council rejects fabricated fears that Iran was close to developing nuclear missiles as justification for this attack. Council notes that the US' actions have further destabilised the region and by drawing in a rogue nuclear state like Israel have made nuclear attacks more likely than they previously were.

Council condemns the USA for its targeting of civilians, which is widely believed to have included the killing of at least 170 people, mainly school children, in a single attack that its government continues to refuse to take responsibility for. Council recognises that the merciless killing of Iranian civilians at a crucial juncture in the movement to throw off the oppressive government of the Islamic state has likely set back the liberation of Iranian society by years. Council further notes with great concern the cynical opportunism of pro-Israeli actors in Glasgow who are operating under the banner of Iranian liberation to intimidate and threaten our Muslim community through 'demonstrations' outside mosques.

Council condemns the continued use of Prestwick Airport by US military aircraft and calls on the Scottish government to do more to curtail its use for this purpose.

Council notes the Scottish Government's support for the UN treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and its position of advocating for the withdrawal of Trident nuclear weapons from HM naval base Clyde. We pay tribute to longstanding anti-nuclear and peace activist Brian Quail who sadly passed away in February 2026. Council applauds his commitment to making Glasgow, Scotland and the world a safer place by campaigning to remove nuclear weapons from the Clyde.

Council notes that nuclear materials regularly pass through Glasgow in convoys from England to Coulport, endangering the lives of our citizens. One such convoy was filmed on 19th February on the M74 near Kinning Park. Trident Ploughshares report that these convoys travel through Glasgow roughly 6 times every year.

Council instructs the Leader of the Council to write to the UK Government requesting that it sign up to the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and begin making arrangements to remove Trident from Scotland. Council condemns and calls for an end to the convoy of nuclear weapons passing through the Glasgow local authority area."

Councillor Leinster, seconded by Councillor Campbell, moved as an amendment that:-

(1) at paragraph 1, after “We recognise that these attacks are..” and before “…a sickening attempt…”, insert

"…amongst other things,…";

(2) at paragraph 3,

   (a) delete "the USA" and replace with "Trump Administration";

   (b) delete "targeting of civilians" and replace with "failure to protect civilians";

   (c) delete "the oppressive government" and replace with "the brutal and oppressive regime";

   (d) delete "pro-Israeli" and replace with "pro-Netanyahu"; and

   (e) after "set back the liberation of Iranian society by years.", insert

   "Council condemns in the strongest possible terms the most recent crackdown on those seeking to protest the brutality of the Iranian Regime. Council notes that some estimates have put the figure of those murdered by the regime in the last few months at over 30,000, with a further 50,000 estimated to have been detained without charge. Council recognises that this is only the most recent assault on the lives, human rights and dignity of the Iranian people since the present regime took power in 1979. "; and

   (f) delete all of paragraph 4 and replace with:

   "Council expresses concern at reports that some US Aircraft involved in supporting offensive operations have stopped at Prestwick Airport en-route to the Middle East and calls on the Scottish Government to explore all possible options to ban the use of the airport for aircraft involved in these purposes."; and

(3) In the final paragraph change "instructs" to "request"

Councillor Carson, seconded by Councillor Vallis, moved as an amendment to delete all and replace with:

"Council notes with great regret the loss of life across the Middle East as a result of recent conflicts.

Council notes that the best pathway to peace and security for the world is to have a fair and impartial system of international law where justice is sought and established by peaceful negotiation and diplomacy not by unilateral military action.

Council commends the work of the UK Government in acting to protect the 300,000 Britons in the region from the threat of Iranian attacks on allies and partners in the Gulf and on MOD bases.

Council acknowledges that the escalation of conflicts abroad has exposed people from the UK, both at home and abroad, to dangers from terrorists, extremists and hostile foreign actors. Council condemns those who would use these conflicts to create division and inflame opinion against any of our communities here in Glasgow and reiterates its stand against all forms of racism and discrimination including anti-Semitism and Islamophobia.

Council therefore commends the work of the many faith and community leaders in Glasgow who work at all times to bring communities together, and our police and security forces who work to keep us safe. Council reaffirms the pride Glasgow carries as being a welcoming and inclusive city for all, and particularly for those fleeing terror, persecution and war.

Council re-affirms, on behalf of the people of Glasgow, our ongoing commitment to peace, justice and security for all of the people of the Middle East."

Councillor Massie, with the approval of his seconder, accepted the amendment by Councillor Leinster, resulting in the following adjusted Motion:

"Council condemns the American-Israeli attack on Iran. We recognise that these attacks are, amongst other things, a sickening attempt by the leaders of the US and Israel to distract from domestic pressure following a slew of scandals and poor popularity.

Council rejects fabricated fears that Iran was close to developing nuclear missiles as justification for this attack. Council notes that the US' actions have further destabilised the region and by drawing in a rogue nuclear state like Israel have made nuclear attacks more likely than they previously were.

Council condemns the Trump Administration for its failure to protect civilians, including killing at least 170 people, mainly school children, in a single attack that they refuse to take responsibility for.

Council recognises that the merciless killing of Iranian civilians at a crucial juncture in the movement to throw off the brutal and oppressive regime of the Islamic state has likely set back the liberation of Iranian society by years. Council condemns in the strongest possible terms the most recent crackdown on those seeking to protest the brutality of the Iranian Regime. Council notes that some estimates have put the figure of those murdered by the regime and their paramilitaries in the last few months at over 30,000, with a further 50,000 estimated to have been detained without charge. Council recognises that this is only the most recent assault on the lives, human rights and dignity of the Iranian people since the present regime took power in 1979. Council further notes with great concern the cynical opportunism of pro-Israeli actors in Glasgow who are operating under the banner of Iranian liberation to intimidate and threaten our Muslim community through 'demonstrations' outside mosques.

Council expresses concern at reports that some US Aircraft involved in supporting offensive operations have stopped at Prestwick Airport en-route to the Middle East and calls on the Scottish Government to explore all possible options to ban the use of the airport for aircraft involved in these purposes.
Council notes the Scottish Government's support for the UN treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and its position of advocating for the withdrawal of Trident nuclear weapons from HM naval base Clyde. We pay tribute to longstanding anti-nuclear and peace activist Brian Quail who sadly passed away in February 2026.

Council applauds his commitment to making Glasgow, Scotland and the world a safer place by campaigning to remove nuclear weapons from the Clyde.
Council notes that nuclear materials regularly pass through Glasgow in convoys from England to Coulport, endangering the lives of our citizens. One such convoy was filmed on 19th February on the M74 near Kinning Park. Trident Ploughshares report that these convoys travel through Glasgow roughly 6 times every year.

Council instructs the Leader of the Council to write to the UK Government requesting that it sign up to the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and begin making arrangements to remove Trident from Scotland. Council also strongly condemns the convoy of nuclear weapons passing through the Glasgow local authority area.

On a vote being taken electronically and by calling the roll, 24 voted for the amendment and 44 for the motion as adjusted, with 1 abstention. The motion as adjusted was accordingly declared to be carried.

Supporting a wellbeing economy for Glasgow – Motion as adjusted, approved.

11 Councillor Campbell, seconded by Bailie Pike, moved that:-

"Council recognises that Community Wealth Building legislation recently passed by the Scottish Government enshrines principles of wellbeing of people and plant as the driving force behind economic decision-making. Council further acknowledges that CWB must become the guiding principle behind tackling inequality; empowering communities through building the local economy; and to tackle climate change.

Council acknowledges that many aspects of the Wellbeing Economy are embedded into our priorities: with the aim to 'Reduce Poverty in our Communities'; and to 'Increase Opportunity and Prosperity for All our Citizens' being listed as two of the four Grand Challenges our city faces.

Council recognises many existing council policies - such as Fair Work sit well with the Community wealth building approach and are already integrated into council contracting arrangements within public and private sector - are already supporting local social enterprises and SMEs with access to the supplier development portal in accessing sub-contracts within major developments as part of the social conditions attached to economic and urban developments.

Furthermore, initiatives like the new Financial Inclusion model, which came to City Administration Committee this month, the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund, People Make Glasgow's Communities initiative, Live Well Community Referral programme, and the Glasgow Community Learning and Development strategy have sought to create a city where wellbeing economy principles are paramount.

Council is a fully engaged supporter of the Living Wage in the labour market and renews its commitment to extending that through commitments from our contractors and supply chains. Council will use our influence to ensure that Living Hours - hours that allow people to have certainty about their working week thus also their regular income - are respected by all companies we do business with across Glasgow.

Council strongly agrees that increasing the provision of social care and childcare - through the maintained expansion of 1140 hours needs to remain free and that extra hours beyond the offer should remain affordable for working families.

Council welcomes the Scottish Government and Parliaments commitment to CWB are to become the primary means of developing local economic growth which are intended to narrow social inequalities of opportunity, income and environment.

Council wholeheartedly supports the Wellbeing Economy Alliance Scotland (WeALL) five point plan for action by the Scottish Government which are to:

- Increase the rate of the Scottish Child Payment to £55 by the end of the next Parliament;

- Maximise incomes through full coverage access to advice services to ensure that everyone can access their entitlements;

- Increase the coverage of the Living Wage and Living Hours in the labour market;

- Improve provision and reduce costs of social care and childcare for low income households; and

- Introduce multi-year pilots of the Minimum Income Guarantee by 2029 to test the policy in practice, with a focus on unpaid carers and rural and island communities.

Council fully recognises the massive reduction in child poverty that the Scottish Child Payment has initiated and that increasing the payment can only further enhance the positive impact of the policy which has lifted 400,000 children out of poverty. Council has already invested significantly in warm homes, childcare and education whilst bringing forward significant plans for transport through the Clyde Metro.

Council strongly supports the roadmap to introducing a Minimum Income Guarantee and will do so by looking into its feasibility through multi-year pilot for Glasgow's hardworking carers - beyond the existing offers of assistance and support coming from the Scottish Government through carers allowance.

Council further resolves to ask the Chief Executive to liaise with the necessary levels of Scottish Government and UK Government to advise on the necessary elements to bring such a pilot into being, and asks that they consider endorsing the WeALL Scotland five point plan. Council also seeks to scale up support for CWB and more inclusive and democratic business models throughout our operations."

Councillor Curran, seconded by Bailie Siddique, moved as an amendment that:-

(1) in paragraph 1, after "empowering communities through building the local economy; and to tackle climate change.", insert the following:

"Council notes, however, that effective implementation requires robust monitoring, transparent reporting, and engagement with communities to ensure these principles translate into tangible outcomes".

(2) in paragraph 2, after "; and to 'Increase Opportunity and Prosperity for All our Citizens' being listed as two of the four Grand Challenges our city faces", insert the following:

"Council acknowledges that achieving these ambitions will require addressing structural barriers, including housing, digital access, and inequalities in local public service provision."

(3) in paragraph 3,

(a) after "in accessing subcontracts within major developments as part of the social conditions attached to economic and urban developments", insert the following:

"Council will strengthen these arrangements through enhanced reporting, auditing, and evaluation of supplier engagement to ensure maximum local economic impact.";

(b) insert a new paragraph at the end:

"Council further recognises that enabling residents to access better-paid and secure employment. through up-skilling, re-skilling, and improved access to high-quality training and employability support, is essential to building and retaining community wealth within Glasgow's neighbourhoods."

(c) delete paragraph 4 and replace with:

"Council will track measurable outcomes from existing initiatives and report annually on progress towards reducing inequality and improving wellbeing."

(4) at paragraph 5, delete all after “supply chains.” and replace with the following:

“Council will ensure that compliance with legal obligations in relation to Living Wage and Living Hours commitments is incorporated into all future Council contracts, with annual public reporting on progress.”

(5) at the end of paragraph 6, insert the following:

“Council will undertake a review to ensure equitable access to these services across all communities in Glasgow, particularly those currently underserved.”;

(6) at the end of paragraph 7, insert the following:

“Council acknowledges that national policy delivery must be complemented by robust local governance, funding, and evaluation to ensure intended outcomes are realised.”

(7) at paragraph 9,

(a) after “children out of poverty.”, insert the following:

“Council further notes that the Poverty and Inequality Commission’s Child Poverty Scrutiny Report 2024-25 concluded that, despite the success of the Scottish Child Payment, all four interim child poverty targets for 2023/24 have been missed and that the Scottish Government is not at all likely to meet the final 2030 targets. Council also notes that long-term trends show child poverty levels have remained broadly above interim and final statutory targets, that persistent child poverty, children living in poverty for multiple years, has increased in recent years, and that Glasgow’s local child poverty rate in 2023– 24 was among the highest in Scotland at approximately 36%, significantly above statutory interim targets.”; and

(b) delete “Council has already invested significantly in warm homes, childcare and education whilst bringing forward significant plans for transport through the Clyde Metro.”; and insert

“Council notes that, while the motion references proposals for the Clyde Metro, the project remains at an early development stage and no finalised proposals, committed capital funding, or confirmed delivery timelines have yet been published. Council therefore urges that any transport-related claims be supported by clear and verifiable evidence. Council further notes that it has already made significant investments in warm homes, childcare and education.”
In the next paragraph, after: “– beyond the existing offers of assistance and support coming from the Scottish Government through carers allowance.”

(c) then insert the following sentence:

"Council will ensure that multi-year pilots include robust evaluation, consultation with carers, and clear criteria for scaling successful approaches."

(8) after the final paragraph, insert the following:

"Council will look at identifying and deploying appropriate staff resources to coordinate and promote Community Wealth Building across Council services, and local communities, including establishing clear responsibilities for driving CWB activity, monitoring impact, and reporting progress annually."

Bailie Wardrop, seconded by Bailie Carroll, moved as an amendment:

(1) at paragraph 1,

(a) replace "plant" with "planet"

(b) after sentence ending "…economic decision-making.", insert the following additional sentence:

"Council notes that all councils have a statutory duty specifically focused on Community Wealth Building (CWB), and councils working with a network of anchor institutions, and community planning partners, must prepare CWB plans, act on them and report progress."

(2) after paragraph 4, insert the following additional:

"Council recognises the need to explore the City's procurement processes within the Community Wealth Building Action Plan. This approach will seek to ensure that local spending made through procurement and commissioning supports local businesses and economic wellbeing within the framework of the existing legislation. Council notes that adopting 'best value' in procurement enables local economic innovation to support social, health, cultural, and environmental benefits rather than just seeking the lowest financial cost. The Council should consider whether through procurement conditions, there is potential to support fair work practices, co-operatives, employee ownership, socially responsible businesses and wealth circulation rather than extracting profits to a small subgroup of distant shareholders or wealth owners."

Councillor Hutchison, seconded by Bailie Hoy, moved as an amendment to add the following at the end:

Council agrees that in the spirit of community wealth building, and as one of the cities foremost employers in terms of pay and conditions that a substantial move to bring services delivered for the council in house can provide more public sector jobs as well as ensuring wealth is kept local. As such, Council instructs relevant officers to arrange for a cross-party group to investigate outsourced contracts and services, and to make determination on whether these services would better serve the city by being brought in house. This group should include trade union representatives, and members from each political group with more than three members.”

Councillor Campbell, with the approval of his seconder, accepted the amendments by Councillor Curran, Bailie Wardrop and Councillor Hutchison, resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

Council recognises that Community Wealth Building legislation recently passed by the Scottish Government enshrines principles of wellbeing of people and planet as the driving force behind economic decision-making. Council notes that all councils have a statutory duty specifically focused on Community Wealth Building (CWB), and councils working with a network of anchor institutions, and community planning partners, must prepare CWB plans, act on them and report progress. Council further acknowledges that CWB must become the guiding principle behind tackling inequality; empowering communities through building the local economy; and to tackle climate change. Council notes, however, that effective implementation requires robust monitoring, transparent reporting, and engagement with communities to ensure these principles translate into tangible outcomes.

Council acknowledges that many aspects of the Wellbeing Economy are embedded into our priorities: with the aim to 'Reduce Poverty in our Communities'; and to 'Increase Opportunity and Prosperity for All our Citizens' being listed as two of the four Grand Challenges our city faces. Council acknowledges that achieving these ambitions will require addressing structural barriers, including housing, digital access, and inequalities in local public service provision.

Council recognises many existing council policies - such as Fair Work sit well with the Community wealth building approach and are already integrated into council contracting arrangements within public and private sector - are already supporting local social enterprises and SMEs with access to the supplier development portal in accessing sub-contracts within major developments as part of the social conditions attached to economic and urban developments. Council will strengthen these arrangements through enhanced reporting, auditing, and evaluation of supplier engagement to ensure maximum local economic impact.

Council further recognises that enabling residents to access better-paid and secure employment. through up-skilling, re-skilling, and improved access to high-quality training and employability support, is essential to building and retaining community wealth within Glasgow’s neighbourhoods. Furthermore, initiatives like the new Financial Inclusion model, which came to City Administration Committee this month, the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund, People Make Glasgow's Communities initiative, Live Well Community Referral programme, and the Glasgow Community Learning and Development strategy have sought to create a city where wellbeing economy principles are paramount.

Council recognises the need to explore the City’s procurement processes within the Community Wealth Building Action Plan. This approach will seek to ensure that local spending made through procurement and commissioning supports local businesses and economic wellbeing within the framework of the existing legislation. Council further recognises that this would build on the success of our current Sustainable Procurement strategy which has ensured in 2024/25 that 26% of suppliers are from Glasgow (an additional 47% Scotland), 73% of suppliers are SMEs, and 78% of award suppliers pay the Real Living Wage. Council notes that adopting 'best value' in procurement enables local economic innovation to support social, health, cultural, and environmental benefits rather than just seeking the lowest financial cost. The Council should consider whether through procurement conditions, there is potential to support fair work practices, co-operatives, employee ownership, socially responsible businesses and wealth circulation rather than extracting profits to a small subgroup of distant shareholders or wealth owners as demonstrated by being the first Local Authority to sign up to the Social Enterprise Buy Social Pledge and had an annual spend of £10m benefitting social enterprises, CICs, cooperatives etc in the 2024/25 financial year.

Council is a fully engaged supporter of the Living Wage in the labour market and renews its commitment to extending that through commitments from our contractors and supply chains. Council will use our influence to ensure that Living Hours - hours that allow people to have certainty about their working week thus also their regular income - are respected by all companies we do business with across Glasgow. Council strongly agrees that increasing the provision of social care and childcare - through the maintained expansion of 1140 hours needs to remain free and that extra hours beyond the offer should remain affordable for working families.

Council welcomes the Scottish Government and Parliaments commitment to CWB are to become the primary means of developing local economic growth which are intended to narrow social inequalities of opportunity, income and environment. Council wholeheartedly supports the Wellbeing Economy Alliance Scotland (WeALL) five point plan for action by the Scottish Government which are to:

1. Increase the rate of the Scottish Child Payment to £55 by the end of the next Parliament.
2. Maximise incomes through full coverage access to advice services to ensure that everyone can access their entitlements.
3. Increase the coverage of the Living Wage and Living Hours in the labour market.
4. Improve provision and reduce costs of social care and childcare for low income households.
5. Introduce multi-year pilots of the Minimum Income Guarantee by 2029 to test the policy in practice, with a focus on unpaid carers and rural and island communities.

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Council agrees that in the spirit of community wealth building, and as one of the cities foremost employers in terms of pay and conditions that a substantial move to bring services delivered for the council in house can provide more public sector jobs as well as ensuring wealth is kept local as demonstrated by Cordia, Community Safety, however, by using its economic leverage as an "anchor institution" to keep wealth circulating within their communities; and by also partnering with social enterprises, CICs, cooperatives and SMEs , councils can transform local economies into more resilient, fair, and sustainable systems."

Adjournment.

12 In terms of Standing Order No 5 (12), the time being after 1630 hours, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting, the remaining items of business being 6(f), 6(g), 6(h), 6(i) and 6(j).

SENIOR OFFICER WORKFORCE COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 20th March 2026.

Senior Officer Workforce Committee.

Present:	Susan Aitken (Chair), Christina Cannon (substitute for Richard Bell), Allan Casey, Jon Molyneux, Cecilia O'Lone (substitute for Rashid Hussain), Catherine Vallis and Martha Wardrop.
Apologies:	Richard Bell and Rashid Hussain.
Attending:	E Rodger (Clerk); S Millar, Chief Executive; and C Brown, Strategic HR Manager.

Consideration of exclusion of public.

1 The committee resolved, in terms of Section 50A (4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public from the meeting as exempt information, as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Post of Executive Director of Education Services - Appointment agreed.

2 The committee having interviewed 3 candidates for the post of Executive Director of Education Services, agreed to appoint John McGhee, currently Interim Executive Director of Education Services to the post.

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 26th March 2026.

City Administration Committee.

Present: Susan Aitken (Chair), Saqib Ahmed (substitute for James Adams), Ken Andrew (substitute for Christina Cannon), Richard Bell, Jill Brown, Allan Casey, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, Stephen Curran (substitute for John Carson), Laura Doherty (substitute for Angus Millar), Hanif Raja (substitute for Soryia Siddique), Mairi Hunter (substitute for Greg Hepburn), Rashid Hussain, Ruairi Kelly, Elaine McDougall, Anne McTaggart, Jon Molyneux, Robert Mooney, Cecilia O'Lone, Lana Reid-McConnell, Catherine Vallis and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: James Adams, Christina Cannon, John Carson, John Daly, Greg Hepburn, Angus Millar and Soryia Siddique.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); S Millar, Chief Executive; J McGhee, Executive Director of Education Services; R Emmott, Executive Director of Financial Services; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; P Togher, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; and A Milner (for the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life).

Budget monitoring reports noted and budget adjustments approved.

1 Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented reports on the 2025/26 revenue budget and on the investment programme, both for the period from 1st April 2025 to 6th February 2026.

After consideration, the committee

(1) noted the reports and that they, together with detailed service reports, would be considered by the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee in due course; and

(2) approved the detailed budget adjustments relating to the revenue budget and the investment programme, as detailed in the reports.

Common Good Fund budget 2026/27 approved.

2 With reference to the minutes of the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee of 25th March 2026 (page 122 hereof) when it had been agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the budget proposals for the use of the Common Good Fund for 2026/27, Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding those proposals, advising

(1) that the Executive Committee on 5th February 2015 (Print 1, page 8) had agreed, as part of the 2014/15 budget, that the budget objective would be to balance the revenue budget without any requirement for a draw from the capital of the Common Good Fund for ongoing operational expenditure, without impinging on the ability of the Council to offer civic hospitality and for this to be achieved during the term of this Council;

(2) that that this committee on 13th March 2025 (Print 7, page 28) had approved the Common Good Fund budget for 2025/26 and had agreed to

   (a) the reviewing of the policy on anniversaries so they were generally marked by a commemorative gift, and events held only by exception;

   (b) the reviewing of spend and approval limits;

   (c) explore how equalities monitoring data on those accessing civic hospitality could be gathered and recorded; and

   (d) reserve the sum of around £100,000 for the delivery of major civic events, including an annual fireworks display to be explored in conjunction with Glasgow Life; and

(3) of a proposed draft budget for 2026/27, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

(i) noted the proposed budget for 2026/27 assuming no change to the existing use of the Common Good Fund; and

(ii) approved

   (A) the proposed use of the capital of the Common Good Fund for 2026/27, if a viable scheme for a civic firework display for £100,000 was identified; and

   (B) the proposed budget for 2026/27.

Transforming the City's Financial Inclusion Offer approved etc – Declaration of interest.

3 With reference to the minutes of 23rd October 2025 (Print 5, page 94) approving the proposed redesign of the financial inclusion sector and grant funding model and instructing officers to implement the new arrangements, Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding the matter, advising

(1) that the review of the delivery of Financial Inclusion in the city had highlighted a shared ambition across the Council and the Financial Inclusion Sector to strengthen how support was funded and delivered and the new Financial Inclusion model reflected Public Sector Reform principles and reinforced the Council's commitment to tackling child poverty in innovative ways, as detailed in the report;

(2) that as part of the implementation of the new arrangements for the delivery of Financial Inclusion, Glasgow Advice Partnership had been appointed as the single Lead Partner and had submitted a formal application for funding from the Council and if approved this funding would aim to support the redesign of the Financial Inclusion Sector in a way that aligned with the Council's strategic aims and reflected the specialised nature of activities being carried out by the sector for the benefit of specific client groups;

(3) that £8.9m of funding over 3 years commencing on 1st April 2026 had been secured from the Glasgow Communities Fund and the Whole Family Intervention Fund, as detailed in the report and this level of funding would enable the sector to sustain its core crisis service, the development and implementation of a dedicated flex resource to target early intervention and prevention for families with children aged 0-5 years and the cost of the Strategic Body; and

(4) of the governance, performance management arrangements and the Fair Work Framework.

After consideration, the committee approved

(a) the Glasgow Advice Partnership as the Strategic Lead Partner for the development of Financial Inclusion strategies, pending OSCR status, in partnership with officers;

(b) the administration process of the financial inclusion budget; and

(c) the grant funding recommendation, as detailed in section 3 of the report.

In terms of Standing Order No 27, Councillor Kelly declared an interest in this item of business and left the meeting and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

UK Government Local Growth Fund – Proposals approved.

4 With reference to the minutes of the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee of 27th January 2026 (Print 6, page 104) noting an update on the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) 2025/26 and the Local Growth Fund (LGF), Councillor Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition, presented a report regarding an update on funding and proposals for utilising the LGF, advising

(1) that following the end to the UKSPF on 31st March 2026 and given the reliance on UKSPF to support local authority funded activity, the UK Government had advised that a 'transition year' would be considered to provide some continuity of budget;

(2) that given this guidance, it was proposed that the UKSPF +1 year allocation methodology be used to allocate the revenue budget for the 2026/27 LGF programme and that a new methodology would be developed for the revenue allocation in the subsequent 2 years of the programme;

(3) that the proposed LGF revenue allocation for Glasgow was £2,773,800, which constituted a reduction of 70% from the revenue stream from the UKSPF and the LGF would be utilised to maintain support for core business and employability and skills activity, as well as a contribution to ongoing partnership work with the Innovation Districts; and

(4) of the proposed projects to be funded through the LGF for 2026/27, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) approved the approach and budgets proposed for the programmes, as detailed in the report.

Govan Heritage funding programme 2026-31 – Acceptance of external funding and authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability approved.

5 Councillor Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use, presented a report regarding proposals for the delivery of the Govan Heritage funding programme 2026-31, advising

(1) that following the successful implementation of 2 Townscape Heritage initiatives in Govan between 2009 and 2023, the Council had been awarded funding from the National Lottery Heritage Fund (NLHF) Grants for Heritage programme and the Historic Environment Scotland (HES) Heritage & Place Programme to deliver a place-based heritage renewal programme in Govan over the next 5 years;

(2) that the Govan Conservation Area appraisal had highlighted the large number of historical buildings, shops and public space in the town centre that were in poor condition or underutilised and that the Govan Heritage funding programme 2026-31 would help deliver change by repairing and bringing a number of these buildings back into productive use;

(3) of the 6 strategic objective aims of the Govan Heritage project, as detailed in the report;

(4) that the Govan Heritage programme would operate between March 2026 and 2031 and was estimated to bring in £11.5m of investment to the local area with the programme encompassing £1.525m from exisiting Council funding sources, matched with £1.490m of funding from NLHF and £1.490m of funding from HES, bringing a total of £4.505m of funding for the programme; and

(5) of the list of buildings and heritage locations for intervention, as detailed in Annex 1 to the report, and the proposed Govan Heritage investment programme 2026-31, as detailed in Annex 2 to the report, which had been placed in the Members Library due to its commercial sensitivities.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the Govan Heritage investment programme 2026-31;

(b) approved acceptance of external funding for the Govan Heritage investment programme 2026-31 from the National Lottery Heritage Fund and Historic Environment Scotland; and

(c) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to disburse the Govan Heritage Fund, as detailed in Annex 2 to the report.

Councillor Bell noted an interest in this item.

Non Domestic Rates grant - Heritage Building Viability Grant Scheme 2026/27 – Funding and authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability approved.

6 With reference to the minutes of the Council of 24th February 2026 (Print 7, page 6) approving £1m of capital funding for the Heritage Viability Grant Scheme for 2026/27, Councillor Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use, presented a report seeking approval to engage with the Glasgow City Heritage Trust to disburse grant funding, advising that

(1) as part of the change in Non-Domestic Rates (NDR) legislation which took effect from April 2023 and gave discretion to local authorities on the award of Empty Property Relief, the Council had exercised this discretion in

April 2024 to end Empty Property Relief in part to incentivise re-occupation of Listed Buildings which were vacant, however were assessed as being capable of occupation;

(2) the objective of the Heritage Viability Grant Scheme was to close development deficits and bring empty historic properties back into productive use and achieve an income sufficient to cover the cost of NDR, with any costs beyond being required to be met by the owners;

(3) it was proposed that the Council engaged with the Glasgow City Heritage Trust, an independent charity which delivered a citywide grant programme to facilitate owners to restore Glasgow's at risk built heritage and that the grant scheme be delivered through a Service Level Agreement (SLA) which included both an allowance for administration costs and the reimbursement of grant monies made; and

(4) the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability would manage this SLA and would report on the delivery of the project and outcomes to a future meeting of the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to approve grants as recommended by the Glasgow City Heritage Trust and their administration costs from a total budget allocation of up to £1m.

Pride in Place Impact Fund and Pride in Place Programme – Funding etc approved – Declaration of interest.

7 Councillor Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use, presented a report regarding the Pride in Place Impact Fund (PiPIF) and the Pride in Place Programme (PiPP), advising

(1) that the PiPIF was a £1.5m city-wide, capital grant programme to be delivered by local authorities targeting areas 'in need' with funding to be committed by the end of March 2027 and spent by the end of March 2028 and this fund was 1 strand of the Local Growth Fund;

(2) that the 3 main components to the PiPIF programme were namely, the Liveable Neighbourhoods (Connecting Glasgow), the People Make Glasgow Communities and community-led capital projects, as detailed in the report and as well as these 3 main components, the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability would carry out an open grants call for potential environmental projects;

(3) that it was proposed that £400,000 of funding from the PiPIF be allocated for the Liveable Neighbourhoods (Connecting Glasgow) - Possil Town Centre Placemaking works, up to £450,000 for the People Make Glasgow Communities and £600,000 for the open grants call and that an additional allowance of up to £50,000 be allocated to cover any required legal and other technical costs incurred by the Council;

(4) of the delivery and financial monitoring arrangements for the PiPIF programme;

(5) that in addition to the PiPIF, the UK Government had launched the Pride in Place Programme (PiPP), as another strand of the Local Growth Fund and this programme would deliver up to £20m of funding over the next decade into areas that had been described as 'doubly disadvantaged' by both the highest deprivation levels and weakest social infrastructure, focused on neighbourhoods of circa 10,000 population;

(6) that the UK Government had confirmed that Glasgow had been selected for 2 awards for 2 neighbourhoods, namely Castlemilk and Springburn/Sighthill and that a Neighbourhood Board would be appointed in each area, led by an independent chair, appointed by the local authority following consultation with the local MP, as detailed in the report; and

(7) that the Council had received £150,000 of revenue funding for both the Castlemilk and Springburn/Sighthill areas to cover the set-up of the Neighbourhood Board, engage with residents, promotion and set up costs by the Council and the MPs as appropriate, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) approved

(i) the grant programme for the Pride in Place Impact Fund, as detailed in the report; and

(ii) the use of Pride in Place programme set up funding, as detailed in the report.

In terms of Standing Order No 27, Bailie Wardrop declared an interest in this item of business and left the meeting and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

Support for Glasgow's talented sports performers – Proposals approved.

8 With reference to the minutes of the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee of 22nd January 2026 (Print 6, page

118) when it was agreed to recommend to this committee approval of Option 2, following the findings of a consultation exercise to support Glasgow's talented sports performers, Bailie Christie, City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations, presented a report regarding the proposals, advising

(1) that Glasgow Life had undertaken a consultation process between April and October 2025 engaging with stakeholders across education, sport, local authorities and Scottish Government and of the key engagement activities that included the appointment of Kinharvie Institute as an independent consultant to gather the views, opinion of Glasgow School of Sport parents, pupils and of the findings, as detailed in the report;

(2) of the financial overview of the Glasgow School of Sport for 2025/26;

(3) that the 2 transition options considered were namely, Option 1, conclude Glasgow School of Sport at the end of 2025/26 academic year or Option 2, continue Glasgow School of Sport until the end of June 2029, allowing all current pupils to complete their sporting and educational journey; and

(4) that following consultation and review, Option 1 was no longer considered achievable due to time constraints restricting viability of a fair and inclusive transition, particularly given the multi-authority pupil profile, ongoing parental engagement and the absence of a confirmed alternative pathway, therefore Option 2, as detailed in the report was the proposed option.

After consideration, the committee agreed that

(a) the Glasgow School of Sport would continue until June 2029, enabling all current 38 pupils to complete their education and sporting pathway in full thereby ensuring a fair and inclusive transition, this accounting for 13 Glasgow pupils and 25 pupils from 12 other Local Authorities and Glasgow Life would continue to monitor pupil numbers throughout this period to ensure that resources were used efficiently and proportionately;

(b) Glasgow Life would continue to work with National Governing Bodies, Sportscotland and the Scottish Institute of Sport to realign the future delivery and administration of high-performance programmes, ensuring those conversations would align with the strengths and responsibilities of the National Governing Bodies; and

(c) the Talented Sports Performer Scheme would create a working group to review the current scheme and where feasible, tailor its design to better support the evolving needs of talented sports performers in Glasgow, identified through the consultation.

Glasgow Sports Pitch Strategy 2025-35 approved.

9 With reference to the minutes of the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee of 13th November 2025 (Print 5, page 139) when it had been agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the Glasgow Sports Pitch Strategy 2025-35, Bailie Christie, City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations, presented a report regarding the strategy, advising

(1) that the Glasgow Sports Pitch Strategy 2025-35 would inform facilities planning for outdoor sport in the city over the next 10 years and would directly contribute to the delivery of Active Glasgow: the city's Physical Activity and Sport Strategy;

(2) that the Glasgow Sports Pitch Strategy 2025-35 had been developed by Glasgow Life in partnership with the Council and Sportscotland with each partner represented on the Glasgow Pitch Strategy Working Group being responsible for the scope, objectives and expected outputs;

(3) of the facility requirements for outdoor sports, across the Council area, including para-sport equivalent, where relevant, as detailed in the report; and

(4) of the Glasgow Sports Pitch Strategy 2025-35 Executive Summary, as detailed in an Appendix to the report.

After consideration, the committee approved the Glasgow Sports Pitch Strategy 2025-35.

Museums collections – Dispersal and sale of items approved.

10 With reference to the minutes of the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee of 5th March 2026 (Print 7, page 53) when it had been agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the dispersal and sale of items from the Museums collections, following review and recommendation by the Repatriation and Spoliation Working Group, Bailie Christie, City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations, presented a report regarding the matter, advising that

(1) the Council had entered into a Collections Agreement with Glasgow Life to operate its museums and under that agreement approval of the Council was required to dispersal of items from the Museums collections;

(2) Glasgow Life Museums had sought to rehome 7 items under its transport and technology collections, 33 items from the furniture collections, 12 items found in the collection without an ID number and a number of items that had been brought in for temporary use/set dressing, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report and having exhausted all reasonable dispersal options, it was proposed that these items be sold and approval had been received from the Museums Association Code of Ethnics Committee on the conditions that any income generated from the sale of the items was invested in the long-term benefit of the museum and its collections; and

(3) Glasgow Life Museums had also sought approval for the dispersal of 2 items under its transport and technology collections and 32 items found in the

collection without an ID number, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report and that these items would be dispersed in accordance with the Museums Association Disposal Toolkit, including offering them to other museum and heritage organisations and local community groups and in the event that all reasonable dispersal options were exhausted, it was proposed these items be sold, where feasible and that the income generated would be invested in the care of the Museum and its collection.

After consideration, the committee approved the dispersal and sale of items from the Museums collection, as detailed in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report.

Equally Safe at Work Employment Policy – Updates to Employment Policies and Conditions of Service approved.

11 With reference to the minutes of the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee of 5th March 2026 (Print 7, page 51) when it had been agreed to recommend to this committee approval of changes required to the employment policy in relation to meeting new legislative duties, Councillor Casey, City Convener for Workforce and Homelessness and Addiction Services, presented a report providing the updates required to the policy in order to achieve bronze level accreditation in the Equally Safe at Work Programme, advising

(1) that after being awarded Development Tier accreditation in November 2023, the Council was progressing towards bronze accreditation under Close the Gap's Equally Safe at Work (ESAW) programme;

(2) that the ESAW working group, which was chaired by the Director of Legal and Administration and included various partners and trade unions to ensure an intersectional approach, had been set up to carry out the activity required to reach bronze accreditation;

(3) that a gap analysis had identified a series of policy and guidance updates required to strengthen the Council's approach to gender equality and the prevention of gender-based violence (GBV), and that these updates to policy would ensure clearer expectations of behaviour and would reinforce the Council's commitment to tackling GBV and sexism, improve transparency in employment processes, strengthen reporting routes and supports and ensure that policies reflected the experiences and needs of all women; and

(4) of a summary of the required updates.

After consideration, the committee approved the proposed changes to Employment Policies and Conditions of Service, as detailed in the report.

Social Care charging policy for 2026/27 approved.

12 Councillor Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care & Caring and Older People, presented a report regarding a revised Social Care charging policy for 2026/27, advising

(1) that the Social Care charging policy, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, set out the Council's Social Work Services charging policy with a focus on non-residential charging, together with the legislative background to charges for non-residential social care services and described the services to which service user contributions applied, together with minimum income thresholds and tapers, which had been updated to reflect various changes, as detailed in the report; and

(2) that the annual review process had taken into consideration a range of factors, as detailed in the report and the proposed changes for this year's review to reflect regulations coming into force on 6th April 2026 were as follows:-

(a) an increase in the Local Authority rates to reflect the increased cost of delivery with most charges having a 4.5% uplift;

(b) there would be no increase to aids and adaptations, minimal limits or the blue badge administration;

(c) an increase to the Minimum Income Thresholds and Interim Charges in accordance with the annual Department for Work and Pensions/Social Security Scotland benefit uplifts;

(e) an alignment with COSLA guidance in respect of Partner's Carers benefit, these benefits would be excluded as income from the financial assessment and calculation of charge and that the Health and Social Care Partnership would review existing financial assessments where this would apply; and

(f) the removal of Private Help at Home rates.

After consideration, the committee approved the revised Social Care charging policy for 2026/27, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, as directed by the Integrated Joint Board (IJB) in support of the delivery of Council services in accordance with the IJB's Strategic Plan.

Office building, known as Eastgate, 727 London Road (Ward 9) – Prudential borrowing and authority to officers to negotiate approved.

13 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding authority to enter into negotiations to acquire the office building, known as Eastgate, 727 London Road (Ward 9), advising that

(1) the Council leased from Zirconia Cathures Unit Trust, the office building known as Eastgate, 727 London Road which comprised of a ground floor and 3 upper floors, with 94 on-site car parking spaces, with 22 of the spaces having electric charging points;

(2) the lease expires on 1st April 2032 and due to the impending expiry of the lease, Zirconia Cathures Unit Trust had approached the Council at the end of December 2024/beginning of 2025 to discuss its longer-term operational requirements for the office building, however at the time, the Council was unwilling to commit to extending the lease and the landlord subsequently marketed the property;

(3) although the property had attracted interest, the owners had received no satisfactory proposals and subsequently contacted the Council with a proposal to extend the existing lease beyond 2032 to 2037, on more favourable terms;

(4) officers had evaluated the proposal and other options and consideration was given to both the operational requirements and financial implications, as detailed in the report; and

(5) the Council had the opportunity to acquire a building which had been identified as suitable for the medium to long-term operational purposes and the cost of prudential borrowing for the estimated acquisition value would be broadly similar to, or less than, the current lease costs, with the additional benefit being that the acquisition would secure an asset for the Council, thus avoiding the end of dilapidation costs.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report;

(b) authorised officers to enter into formal negotiations with the current owners of the office building at Eastgate, 727 London Road regarding its acquisition; and

(c) approved the prudential borrowing of capital matching the acquisition value using existing budgeted revenue and that authority to finalise the purchase would be sought at a future meeting of the Contracts and Property Committee.

CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 23rd April 2026.

City Administration Committee.

Present:	Susan Aitken (Chair), Saqib Ahmed (substitute for James Adams), Richard Bell, Jill Brown, John Carson, Allan Casey, Chris Cunningham, Laura Doherty (substitute for Annette Christie), Greg Hepburn, Rashid Hussain, Ruairi Kelly, Paul Leinster (substitute for Christina Cannon), Elaine McDougall, Anne McTaggart, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Robert Mooney, Jill Pidgeon (substitute for Cecilia O'Lone), Lana Reid-McConnell, Soryia Siddique, Catherine Vallis and Martha Wardrop.
Apologies:	James Adams, Christina Cannon, Annette Christie, John Daly and Cecilia O'Lone.
Attending:	E Rodger (Clerk); S Millar, Chief Executive; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; B McDermott (for the Executive Director of Education Services); and P Togher, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Revenue Estimates 2026/27 – Allocation of budgets within services approved etc.

1 With reference to the minutes of the Council of 24th February 2026 (Print 7, page 20) approving the 2026/27 summary Revenue Estimates, Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding the detailed allocation of the approved 2026/27 estimates at service level, advising

(1) of changes to service estimates and net expenditure across services; and

(2) that in relation to the Glasgow Integrated Joint Board, net direct expenditure budgets totalling £629,060,800 spanning Social Work Services and Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability were anticipated.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the adjustments and the detailed Revenue Estimates 2026/27; and

(b) noted that this would be the basis for the detailed service reports to be considered by the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

Glasgow's Holiday Programme for Summer and October 2026 and Spring 2027 – Funding awards approved – Declarations of interest.

2 Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding applications for funding from Glasgow's Holiday Programme for Summer and October 2026 and Spring 2027, advising

(1) that Glasgow's Holiday Programme provided funding to organisations to deliver a programme of engagement, activities and nutritious food to Glasgow's nursery, primary and secondary pupils, aged 0 to 18 years during school holiday periods;

(2) that the programme would be administered through a new Grants Management System, which would be implemented during 2026 and would bring efficiencies for both the applicant and the Council and allow providers to submit monitoring information as well as applying for funding in future years, and that information sessions on the new system would be delivered to providers later this year;

(3) of an update on the Scottish Government's Early Adopter School Age Children programme, which had been piloted in 3 early adopter areas which concluded in January 2025, and had subsequently been expanded to support families across most of the 10 Child Poverty Programme booster wards in the city by contributing to childcare costs to enable families to enter/sustain employment, education, training, and respite while providing the child with a high quality childcare experience;

(4) that applications for the 2026/27 holiday programme had been sought from third sector organisations and 82 applications were received, with 1 application being received from an ineligible organisation and 1 organisation which had went into liquidation, however the remaining 80 applications totalling £2,966,272.71 were assessed, reviewed and scored by officers against a pre-determined criteria, as detailed in the report;

(5) that in order to achieve the reach across the city within the available budget, it was proposed that 56 applications totalling £2,262,899 be awarded funding, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;

(6) of the number of projects delivered to service users from each ward and the associated anticipated number of service users, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report;

(7) of the 24 applications which had not been recommended for funding, as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report; and

(8) of the monitoring information from the Summer and October 2025 programmes, as detailed in Appendix 4 to the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the award of funding from Glasgow's Holiday Programme for Summer and October 2026 and Spring 2027, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; and

(b) noted the

(i) number of projects delivering to service users from each ward, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report;

(ii) organisations not recommended for funding, as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report; and

(iii) monitoring information from the Summer and October 2025 programmes, as detailed in Appendix 4 to the report.

In terms of Standing Order No 27, Bailie Wardrop and Councillors Casey, Kelly and Reid-McConnell declared an interest in this item of business and left the meeting and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

Clyde Metro – Revised governance approach approved.

3 With reference to the minutes of Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee of 21st April 2026 (page 61 hereof) when it had been agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the Clyde Metro revised governance arrangements, Councillor Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition presented a report regarding those proposals, advising

(1) that the Clyde Metro Case for Investment (CFI) programme would develop the programme-level business case for Clyde Metro and was an essential first step toward setting out the programme of activity which would form the project over coming years, and that the revised governance arrangements, which were intended to strengthen the programme, were expected to keep the CFI on schedule for completion in 2027;

(2) of the change in the lead role from Transport Scotland to Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) to take forward the Clyde Metro case for investment development work;

(3) that £12.155m of funding from the City Deal Glasgow Airport Access Project had been approved to support the development of the wider regional opportunities through Clyde Metro and that the Council had been delegated to hold and disburse the funds to support the business case programme development, including entering into agreements with SPT in its lead role, and that £6.5m was available to SPT to support the delivery of CFI outputs;

(4) of the progress to date, which had seen the conclusion of CFI Stage 1 in March 2025, and of the extensive stakeholder engagement in relation to the development of Stage 2 of the programme, as detailed in the report;

(5) of the changes to the governance arrangements, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report and which had been approved at the meeting of the Glasgow City Region (GCR) Cabinet on 17th March 2026, which had been developed and proposed to enhance the 8 Glasgow City Region Member Authorities' role in the ongoing development of the CFI that had been highlighted through the Stage 2 Readiness Review that had been undertaken with SPT;

(6) of the areas in the programme where the Council's remit had been revised in relevance of these changes and the actions which were required to be undertaken; and

(7) of the key contributions of the project team to the CFI programme, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted

(i) approval from the GCR Cabinet of 17th March 2026 for amended governance arrangements, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; and

(ii) the revised remit for the Council and the actions required to be undertaken; and

(b) approved the amended governance arrangements and required actions in line with GCR Cabinet approval of 17th March 2026.

Regeneration Capital Grant Fund – Acceptance of increased funding for Springburn Winter Gardens project (Ward 17) approved.

4 Councillor Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use presented a report regarding the acceptance of funding from the Regeneration Capital Grant Fund (RCGF) for the Springburn Winter Gardens project (Ward 17), advising

(1) that the RCGF was a Scottish Government budget, developed in partnership with COSLA and local authorities, which aimed to provide financial support to projects that would help to deliver large-scale improvements to deprived areas and focused on projects that engaged and involved local communities and could demonstrate the ability to deliver sustainable regeneration, and had to be submitted to the Scottish Government by local authorities or Clyde Gateway;

(2) that the RCGF operated as a bidding process in 2 stages, with the 1st stage being an open call for submissions by local authorities across Scotland, Stage

2 consideration was for those shortlisted who would be asked to make a more detailed submission, and there was no set financial allocation for Glasgow or prescribed number of projects that could be approved from the fund;

(3) that the Scottish Government, on 19th March 2026 had advised that the application for regeneration of the Springburn Winter Gardens had been successful, and the grant offer letter of £1,129,059 had been received on 25th March 2026 for the project which would be taken forward by Community-led Springburn Winter Gardens Trust to regenerate the A-listed Gardens from a derelict ruin, stabilising and partially restoring the building through structural repairs and conservation works, and would transform the Winter Gardens into a site of social, environmental, and economic renewal, which was due to be completed in March 2027;

(4) of the project delivery and the financial monitoring arrangements; and

(5) that several RCGF supported projects were nearing completion or would hit key milestones this calendar year and following confirmation that the Scottish Government would be opening a 2027/28 funding round, officers in Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability would be submitting strong applications to this round.

After consideration, the committee approved the acceptance of a funding award of £1,129,059 from the Regeneration Capital Grant Fund for the regeneration of the Springburn Winter Gardens.

Buchanan Bus Station – Masterplan approved.

5 With reference to the minutes of Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration of 21st April 2026 (page 000 hereof) when it was agreed to recommend to this committee approval of the Buchanan Bus Station Masterplan, Councillor Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use, presented a report regarding the proposals, advising

(1) that following the adoption of the Glasgow Transport Strategy in 2022 which emphasised multimodel integration and improved public transport hubs and acknowledged the importance of Buchanan Bus Station and the need for better connectivity, the Council had worked in partnership with Strathclyde Passenger for Transport (SPT) to produce a masterplan for the Bus Station and surrounding city block;

(2) that the concept masterplan, which was undepinned by 5 key themes that had been identified through a series of visioning workshops and tested through public engagement, had set out a bold and ambitious vision for the site with a 21st centrury bus station and mobility hub at its heart that enhanced the experience of all members of the public and improved the work environment for all station staff thus increasing wellbeing and job attractivity;

(3) that following the end of the concept masterplan, a Buchanan Bus Station Stage 6 report had been produced that created a strategy based on technical, policy and Place considerations, as well as being informed by public requirements, and had set out the scale and ambition for achieving a modern, flexible bus station and sustainable travel hub within a wider mixed-use development but embedded flexibility as a core principle;

(4) of the results of the consultation process which had taken place between 28th October and 24th November 2025, as detailed in the report; and

(5) of the next steps.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report and progress made on producing the Buchanan Bus Station Masterplan; and

(b) approved the Buchanan Bus Station Masterplan as a material consideration for Planning decision making.

ECONOMY, HOUSING, TRANSPORT AND REGENERATION CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 21st April 2026.

Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee.

Present:	Martha Wardrop (Chair), Ken Andrew (substitute for Eva Bolander), Richard Bell (substitute for Declan Blench), Graham Campbell, Anthony Carroll, Stephen Curran (substitute for John Carson), Allan Casey, Greg Hepburn, Ann Jenkins, Paul Leinster, Robert Mooney and Kieran Turner.
Also present:	Ruairi Kelly and Angus Millar.
Apologies:	Declan Blench, Eva Bolander and John Carson.
Attending:	P Yule (Clerk); B Wilson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Responses to questions noted etc.

1 There was submitted a list of responses to the questions raised by members at the meeting of this committee on 10th March 2026.

After consideration, the committee noted

(1) the responses; and

(2) that responses to any questions raised at this meeting would be submitted to the next meeting of this committee.

Glasgow City Centre Strategy 2024-30 and City Centre Strategic Development Framework – Progress etc noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 22nd April 2025 (Print 1, page 51) noting the progress made on the City Centre Strategy 2024-30 (CCS24-30) and that bi-annual updates on the Strategy would be submitted, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, advising of the progress of the CCS24-30 together with the City Centre Strategic Development Framework (CCSDF), as detailed in the report.

After consideration and having heard a presentation by Ms MacDonald, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee noted

(a) the presentation and the report; and

(b) that bi-annual updates on the progress would be submitted to this committee for the duration of the City Centre Strategy 2024-30.

Draft North Laurieston Masterplan – Progress noted etc.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the draft North Laurieston Masterplan, advising

(1) that the draft Masterplan had been produced by New Gorbals Housing Association, working in partnership with the Council and had been prepared by consultants Elder & Cannon Architects, with its aims being to address urban decay in North Laurieston and reinvigorate the community as a thriving 'south bank' destination in the city centre;

(2) the draft Masterplan was a strategy for urban repair and regeneration that sought to bring vacant property, particularly listed buildings (including much of Carlton Place), back into positive use, redevelop vacant gap sites, improve the quality and attractiveness of the streets and public realm for walking and cycling and tackle the environmental decay, through both short-term maintenance interventions and longer term redevelopment;

(3) of the findings from the public engagement open day events, as detailed in the report; and

(4) of the next steps.

After consideration and having heard a presentation by Mr Curtis, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee noted

(a) that the draft North Laurieston Masterplan would be subject to a period of public consultation; and

(b) the timescales for completion of the final Masterplan prior to its submission to the City Administration Committee for approval.

Buchanan Bus Station Masterplan – Progress noted - Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the progress on the concept Masterplan led by Strathclyde Passenger for Transport (SPT) to inform the future redevelopment of the Buchanan Bus Station, advising that

(1) following the adoption of the Glasgow Transport Strategy in 2022 which emphasised multimodel integration and improved public transport hubs and acknowledged the importance of Buchanan Bus Station and the need for

better connectivity, the Council had worked in partnership with SPT to produce a masterplan for the Bus Station and surrounding city block;

(2) the concept Masterplan, which was undepinned by 5 key themes that had been identified through a series of visioning workshops and tested through public engagement, had set out a bold and ambitious vision for the site with a 21st centrury bus station and mobility hub at its heart that enhanced the experience of all members of the public and improved the work environment for all station staff thus increasing wellbeing and job attractivity;

(3) following the end of the concept Masterplan, a Buchanan Bus Station Stage 6 report had been produced that created a strategy based on technical, policy and Place considerations, as well as being informed by public requirements, and had set out the scale and ambition for achieving a modern, flexible bus station and sustainable travel hub within a wider mixed-use development but embedded flexibility as a core principle;

(4) of the results of the consultation process which had taken place between 28th October and 24th November 2025, as detailed in the report; and

(5) of the next steps.

After consideration and having heard a presentation by Mr Resposito, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee noted

(a) the presentation and the progress made on producing the Buchanan Bus Station Masterplan; and

(b) that Buchanan Bus Station masterplan as a material consideration for Planning decision making once approved by City Administration Committee.

Clyde Metro new governace approach – Progress noted - Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the progress in developing the Clyde Metro Case for Investment (CFI) programme, advising that

(1) the CFI programme would develop the programme-level business case for Clyde Metro and was an essential first step toward setting out the programme of activity which would form the project over coming years, and that the revised governance arrangement, which were intended to strengthen the programme, were expected to keep the CFI on schedule for completion in 2027;

(2) of the change in the lead role from Transport Scotland to Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) to take forward the Clyde Metro case for investment development work;

(3) that £12.155m of funding from the City Deal Glasgow Airport Access Project had been approved to support the development of the wider regional opportunities through Clyde Metro and that this Council had been delegated to hold and disburse the funds to support the business case programme development, including entering into agreements with SPT in its lead role, and that £6.5m was available to SPT to support the delivery of CFI outputs;

(4) of the progress to date, which had seen the conclusion of CFI Stage 1 in March 2025, and of the extensive stakeholder engagement in relation to the development of Stage 2 of the programme, as detailed in the report;

(5) of the changes to the governance arrangements, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report and which had been approved at the meeting of the Glasgow City Region (GCR) on 17th March 2026, which had been developed and proposed to enhance the 8 Glasgow City Region Member Authorities' role in the ongoing development of the CFI, which had been highlighted through the Stage 2 Readiness Review that had been undertaken with SPT;

(6) of the areas in the programme where the Council's remit had been revised in relevance of these changes and the actions which were required to be undertaken; and

(7) of the key contributions of the project team to the CFI programme, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report.

After consideration and having heard a presentation by Mr Paterson, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee noted

(a) the progress made on the Clyde Metro CFI;

(b) the approval from the Glasgow City Region Cabinet of 17th March 2026 for amended governance arrangements, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;

(c) the revised remit for the Council and the actions required to be undertaken by the Council; and

(d) agreed to recommend to the City Administration Committee approval of the governance arrangements and required actions in line with Glasgow City Region Cabinet approval of 17th March 2026.

EDUCATION, SKILLS AND EARLY YEARS CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 23rd April 2026.

Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee.

Present:	Graham Campbell (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Susan Aitken, Blair Anderson, Stephen Curran, Stephen Dornan, Zen Ghani, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Lilith Johnstone, Christy Mearns, Malcolm Mitchell, Robert Mooney (substitute for Ann Jenkins) and Soryia Siddique (substitute for Jill Brown).
Also Present:	Christina Cannon, Stephen Docherty and Frank McAveety.
Apologies:	Jill Brown and Ann Jenkins.
Attending:	E Paton (Clerk), J McGhee, Executive Director of Education Services; R Aitken (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance); and Hon. Dr Stuart Lawrence and Mr Ade Johnston (National African & Black Association).

Committee Annual Assessment Year 3 - Results of independent assessment noted – Reference to Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

1 There was submitted a report by the Divisional Director, Roads and Transportation, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the year 3 annual assessment of the work of this committee and effectiveness, advising

(1) that Council Standing Order No 31 required that an annual assessment of the work of each City Policy Committee shall 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 Convener in years 1 and 2 and an independent assessment being carried out in year 3 and every 3rd year thereafter;

(2) of the main findings from the independent assessment of this committee undertaken by the Divisional Director, Roads and Transportation, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability;

(3) that as part of the review, the Chair, Councillor Graham Campbell and the Vice Chair, Councillor Blair Anderson were interviewed, as were the Lead Officers, Jean Miller, Sharon McGeever and Carolyn Daveren, Education Services and a number of committee meetings were also viewed either in person or through viewing the recordings; and

(4) of the effectiveness of the operation of the committee, highlighting various issues and detailing an action plan.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report and action plan as detailed in the report; and

(b) agreed to refer the report to the Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

Stephen Lawrence Day Foundation - Presentation by Hon. Dr Stuart Lawrence and Mr Ade Johnston noted etc.

2 There was heard presentations by Hon. Dr Stuart Lawrence and Mr Ade Johnston, National African & Black Association in relation to Stephen Lawrence Day.

After consideration the committee

(1) noted the presentation;

(2) discussed the way forward for working in partnership; and

(3) thanked Hon. Dr Stuart Lawrence and Mr Ade Johnston for their presentation and contributions.

Gender-based violence – Progress noted etc.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding the ongoing work being undertaken in relation to gender-based violence, advising

(1) of the initiatives undertaken by Education Services duing 2025/26 to prevent and eradicate violence against women;

(2) of the findings from the Equally Safe At School (ESAS) evaluation survey which had been circulated to all staff from secondary schools who had attended the information sharing sessions, the key learning points that had been highlighted from these sessions, and the next steps;

(3) of the core and additional actions which were available to Education Services in order to ensure its committeed support to the Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) meetings which aimed at safeguarding children who had been impacted by domestic abuse;

(4) of the training that had been delivered and further sessions organised in relation to the Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) intervention programme, which enabled young people to take leadership roles in challenging gender-based violence; and

(5) that the Council remainded the first Scottish authority to collaborate with Time for Inclusive Education which supported understanding of online harms which included technology-assisted gender-based violence.

After consideration, the committee noted the

(a) progress of ESAS information sessions, evaluation findings and next steps;

(b) enhancement of the MARAC programme;

(c) expansion of the Mentors in Violence Prevention programme; and

(d) development of whole-school approaches to preventing gender-based violence across Glasgow's schools.

Activities to support development of equalities agenda across Education Services – Update noted.

4 With reference to the minutes of 29th January 2026 (Print 6, page 110) noting an update on activities to support the development of the equalities agenda across Education Services, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services providing an update regarding the matter, advising

(1) that the update focused on key developments in 2025/26 relating to gender equality and religion/belief-based inclusion;

(2) of the work being undertaken in relation to the following, as detailed in the report:-

    (a) Young Women: Girls of Glasgow (Class of 2031), which would track and support the same group of young women from S1 to S6, develop leadership, voice and gender-equality advocacy, provide structured opportunities to influence change within their schools and build confidence, ambition and strong peer network;

    (b) Young Men: Mental Health and Positive Masculinities Programme, which was a collaboration of representatives from Education Services, Strathclyde University, Police Scotland, school leaders and Psychological Services to develop a new programme to support young men's mental health;

    (c) Psychological Services' Gender Equalities Self-Evaluation Framework, which had been drafted by Glasgow Educational Psychology Services to support systematic improvement and would strengthen gender-sensitive assessment and intervention, staff understanding of gendered experiences of education and evidence-informed practice that removed barriers for girls, boys and gender-diverse learners;

    (d) LGBTQ+ Inclusion and PRIDE Allyship, to reduce sigma, promote visibility and ensure safe access to psychological support;

(e) Digital Disclosure, which was an initiative developed between Education Services and Time for Inclusive Education and would be implemented to ensure that staff across Glasgow's schools possessed the knowledge and understanding necessary to help children and young people develop the digital literacy skills needed to confront online misinformation and discrimination; and

(f) Sense Over Sectarianism – Anti-Sectarian Education, which aimed to reduce sectarian attitudes and language, build mutual respect between religious and cultural groups, support children to recognise prejudice and discrimination and encourage positive social change.

Education Services CREATE – Progress noted.

5 With reference to the minutes of 24th April 2025 (Print 1, page 60) noting progress of Education Services' CREATE Expressive Arts Service as outlined in Standards and Quality Report 2023–24, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding further progress as outlined in Standards and Quality Report 2024-25, advising

(1) that CREATE Expressive Arts Service, along with city-wide groups provided exceptional opportunities for children and young people to develop their artistic skills, collaborate with peers and celebrate their achievements on local, national and international stages, whilst ensuring its commitment to equity and inclusion to ensure that every learner could access and benefit from expressive arts education;

(2) of an overview of the CREATE staffing structure for 2024/25;

(3) of the various programmes that the CREATE service provided for its learners, along with the various partners involved in the programme, as detailed in the report; and

(4) of the next steps in the CREATE service.

ENVIRONMENT AND LIVEABLE NEIGHBOURHOODS CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 28th April 2026.

Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee.

Present:	Elaine McSporran (Chair), Abdul Bostani, John Carson, Stephen Curran, Stephen Docherty, Laura Doherty, Allan Gow, Jon Molyneux (substitute for Holly Bruce), Paul McCabe and Franny Scally.
Also present:	Angus Miller.
Apologies:	Holly Bruce and Anthony Carroll.
Attending:	D Brand (Clerk); H Gharyal (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and I Campsie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Committee Annual Assessment Year 3 - Results of independent assessment noted – Reference to Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance regarding the year 3 annual assessment of the work of this committee and effectiveness, advising

(1) that Council Standing Order No 31 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 Convener in years 1 and 2 and an independent assessment being carried out in year 3 and every 3rd year thereafter;

(2) of the main findings from the independent assessment of this committee undertaken by the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance;

(3) that as part of the review, the Chair, Councillor Elaine McSporran and the Lead Officer, Harjinder Gharyal, Divisional Director, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability had been interviewed, and that a number of committee meetings viewed either in person or through viewing the recordings; and

(4) of the effectiveness of the operation of the committee, highlighting various issues and detailing an action plan.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted

    (i) the report; and

    (ii) the implementation of the action plan, to be led by the Lead Officer and Chair; and

(b) agreed to refer the report to the Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund - Update noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) in terms of both process, governance and spend, advising

(1) that the NIIF budget had approved £1m to each of the 23 wards in Glasgow and assigned the decision making in relation to this fund to each of the Area Partnerships;

(2) that the management and governance of the fund had experienced challenges in the implementation of the fund and dealing with the volume of requests to date, however the governance process had been now fully embedded;

(3) of the various themes that had outlined the criteria for the allocation of the fund;

(4) of the current process that had been adopted in relation to the projects identified to be costed, the progress to date of the utilisation of the fund, as detailed in an appendix to the report; and

(5) of the next steps for allocation of the fund.

Road Safety January-December 2025 – Update noted.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on road safety matters between January to December 2025, and the city's progress towards the Scottish Government's casualty reduction targets for 2030, advising

(1) that the Scottish Government had set out national road casualty reduction targets for each authority to achieve by 2030, whilst supporting Glasgow's Vision Zero where no one was killed or seriously injured on Glasgow's roads by 2030;

(2) of the interim road safety targets and of the introduction by Police Scotland of the CRASH database in 2020 that brought enhanced classification of serious injuries, as detailed in the report;

(3) that overall road casualty performance in 2025 had shown positive progress towards the 2030 targets, with reductions across several key groups, particularly vulnerable road users and this had reflected the Council's Safe System approach that included the delivery of 20mph schemes, active travel measures, People First Zones and targeted Accident Investigation Prevention (AIP) interventions;

(4) of Glasgow's performance towards national targets, as detailed in Appendix A of the report;

(5) of the partnership work and road safety publicity that included the Go Safe Road Safety Partnership monitoring casualty trends who had overseen the delivery of road safety education, training and publicity campaigns and road safety policy development;

(6) of the £1.45m investment from the Road Safety Improvement Fund awarded by Transport Scotland that supported a wide range of road safety engineering projects across the city, as detailed in the report.

After consideration and having heard a presentation by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee

(a) noted the report and presentation;

(b) supported the continued delivery of a balanced road safety approach; and

(c) acknowledged the importance of sustained investment and partnership working.

Budget Investment 2025/26 - Update noted.

4 With reference to the minutes of Glasgow City Council (Print 7, page 6) approving Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainabiltiy receiving £6.5m in additional revenue investment to expand core operational services across the city, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) providing an update on the matter, advising

(1) that this budget had supported the enhancement of the Deep Clean service, Nightshift Streetscene operations, the creation of 23 Neighbourhood Clean Teams, an expansion of Parks Operatives and of the £6.5m budget investment breakdown, as detailed in the report;

(2) that delivery of the 2025/26 investment programme had required one of the largest co-ordinated recruitment exercises undertaken by NRS in recent years that had commenced in early 2025, and involved a multi-service recruitment

campaign to ensure that all posts could be filled at pace and with high-quality candidates;

(3) that the 2025/26 investment had strengthened the Environmental Tasking and Co-ordination (ETAC) effectiveness by providing additional frontline capacity through Neighbourhood Clean Teams, expanded Deep Clean squads, enhanced Nightshift Streetscene operations and increased enforcement resources, allowing ETAC to move quickly from identification of issues to co-ordinated on-street action that had supported the delivery of Weeks of Action and Days of Action, as detailed in an appendix to the report;

(4) of the co-ordinated promotion, community engagement campaign and that a dedicated Council landing page, Investing in your Community, had been developed to provide residents with a single source of information on the programme of works being delivered as a result of the investment, and of the key highlights of social media performance; and

(5) of the next steps, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the report and presentation; and

(b) progress in relation to budget investment in Streetscene, Parks and Enforcement.

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

Hybrid meeting, 14th April 2026.

Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee.

Present: Lana Reid-McConnell (Chair), Ken Andrew (substitute for Mhairi Hunter), Declan Blench, Abdul Bostani, Chris Cunningham, Stephen Docherty, Marie Garrity, Anne McTaggart (substitute for Christina Cannon), Malcolm Mitchell, Eva Murray and Thomas Rannachan.

Also present: Angus Millar.

Apologies: Blair Anderson, Christina Cannon and Mhairi Hunter.

Attending: E Paton (Clerk); and G Slater (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Circular Economy route map and action plan 2025-30 noted.

1 With reference to the minutes of 23rd September 2025 (Print 4, page 88) noting the Circular Economy action plan route map for Glasgow 2025-30, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the matter, advising

(1) that the Circular Economy route map for 2025-30 provided the most up to date strategic context and outlined the key drivers for a circular economy in Glasgow, the climate and ecological emergency, net zero commitments and the need for the city to be a resilient, thriving economy and presented a vision for Glasgow to be a circular city;

(2) of the progress made on Glasgow’s circular economy actions, as detailed in the report; and

(3) of the next steps, as detailed in the report.

Annual update on Carbon Management Plan 3 noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 4th March 2025 (Print 7, page 49) noting the Carbon Management Plan 3 (CMP3), there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the annual update on the CMP3, advising

(1) that CMP3 set a target to reduce direct emissions by at least 80% from the baseline by 2030 which represented a further emissions reduction of 28% from 2022/23 levels with sequestration activity expected to offset the

remaining 20% of direct emissions for Council activities, and to monitor progress, CMP3 had also set an interim target of 64% reduction from baseline by the end of 2025/26; and

(2) of the governance and delivery of CMP3 together with the next steps, as detailed in the report.

Glasgow's Climate Plan 2026-2030 noted etc - Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

3 With reference to minutes of 15th April 2025 (Print 4, page 88) noting the review of the Glasgow's Climate Plan, there was submitted and noted a report, together with a presentation, by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the revised Plan following consultation, advising

(1) that Glasgow's Climate Plan represented a city-wide approach to addressing the Climate and Ecological Emergency and included a target for the city to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2030;

(2) of the progress to date and the climate plan review, as detailed in the report;

(3) of the consultation engagement, feedback and changes resulting from that consultation; and

(4) of Glasgow's Climate Plan 2026-2030, as outlined in the appendices to the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed to recommend to the City Administration Committee approval of the Glasgow's Climate Plan 2026-2030.

WELLBEING, EQUALITIES, COMMUNITIES, CULTURE AND ENGAGEMENT CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 16th April 2026.

Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee.

Present: Linda Pike (Chair), Annette Christie, Stephen Dornan, Fiona Higgins, Mhairi Hunter, Ann Jenkins, Kevin Lalley (substitute for Sharon Greer), Christy Mearns, Angus Millar and Robert Mooney.

Also present: Anne McTaggart.

Apologies: Sharon Greer and Roza Salih.

Attending: A Croall (Clerk); and C Edgar, Director of Communications and Corporate Governance.

Appointment of co-opted member approved – Instruction to Head of Communities.

1 With reference to the minutes of 29th February 2024 (Print 7, page 71) when the committee agreed that co-opted members serve for a period of 12 months and be requested to adhere to the Councillors' Code of Conduct, there was submitted a report by the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance seeking appointment of non-voting co-optees to the committee, advising that

(1) nominations had been sought and received from Community Councils within the city;

(2) Third Sector organisations in the city had been revising the approach to representation on partnership structures, following the disbandment of the Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network and work was being led by the Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector (GCVS) with a Third Sector Representation Framework being developed and that the Head of Communities would actively engage with GCVS in relation to this work, that would lead to elections being held later on in the year for co-optee membership of this committee; and

(3) based on the feedback from the co-optees an offer of training was in place, similar to that offered to elected members, in addition to a clear channel for informal discussions and queries established between co-optees and the committee's lead officer.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report and arrangements for Third Sector representation;

(b) instructed the Head of Communities to continue engagement with Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector as the Third Sector Representation Framework was developed with a view to securing a co-optee as soon as practicable; and

(c) agreed that Irene Loudon, Blythswood & Broomielaw Community Council be appointed as a non-voting co-optee for a further 12 months, with her being required to adhere to the Councillors' Code of Conduct during the term of her appointment.

Govan-Partick Bridge petition – Update noted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 13th November 2025 (Print 5, page 135) when it considered a motion relating to a petition from Govan Community Council to rename the new Govan-Partick bridge "The Mary Barbour Bridge", and agreed that a public consultation and engagement process be carried out along with a review into the implementation of the petitions process, there was submitted a report by the Director of Communications and Corporate Governance, advising

(1) that the public consultation and engagement process had involved an engagement session held on 3rd March 2026 that had representation of 12 community attendees, expert witnesses who had accompanied Community Councils and had been supported by officers from the Council to assist with its facilitation;

(2) of the Consultation Survey results that had mirrored the discussion at the engagement session and had demonstrated that there was no evidence of a wider appetite from communities in the immediate vicinity to explore the renaming of the Govan-Partick Bridge; and

(3) of the next steps that included identified improvements to the petition process, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report;

(b) that there was no evidence of an appetite from the community in the immediate vicinity to explore the renaming of the Govan-Partick Bridge;

(c) the additional opportunities identified for joint working across the Community Councils; and

(d) thanked the petitioners, Govan Community Council and all Community Councils for their involvement.

Annual Performance Report 2024/25 noted.

3 With reference to the minutes of Glasgow City Council of 31st October 2024 (Print 5, page 4) approving the reviewed Council Strategic Plan 2022-27, there was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance providing an Annual Performance Report 2024/25 that summarised progress on the Glasgow City Council Strategic Plan 2022-27, advising

(1) that included in the outcome of the review was the addition of Emerging Commitments to the Strategic Plan to ensure the Plan remained relevant to the priorities of the people of Glasgow, particularly through the cost-of-living crisis;

(2) that to ensure progress that the Strategic Plan was kept under consideration and reported on, a track of progress was kept on what commitments had been considered by the Operational Performance and Development Scrutiny Committee; and

(3) of the Annual Performance Report 2024/25, the tracking Strategic Plan Progress and Emerging Commitments, Household Survey, Local Government Benchmarking Framework and the introduction of Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Performance Management Framework, as detailed in the report.

CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 30th April 2026.

Contracts and Property Committee.

Present:	Franny Scally (Chair), Stephen Curran, Laura Doherty, Kevin Lalley, Fiona Higgins, Seonad Hoy, Ruairi Kelly, Elaine McSporran, Robert Mooney (substitute for Thomas Rannachan) and Davena Rankin.
Apologies:	Ken Andrew and Thomas Rannachan.
Attending:	E Paton (Clerk); M Fitzpatrick (for the Director of Legal and Administration); and D McEwan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Transactions approved in terms of Scheme of Delegated Functions noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability detailing those transactions approved, in terms of the Scheme of Delegated Functions, for City Property (Glasgow) LLP, during the period from 1st January to 31st March 2026, as detailed in the appendices to the report.

Transactions approved in terms of Scheme of Delegated Functions noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability detailing those transactions approved, in terms of the Scheme of Delegated Functions, for Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, during the period from 1st January to 31st March 2026, as detailed in the appendices to the report.

Woodside Hall (Ward 11) – Lease approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to grant a 25-year lease of Woodside Hall, 36 Glenfarg Street (Ward 11) to the Community Central Hall (CCH) SCIO through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme, advising that

(1) Glasgow Life (GL) currently had a 25-year lease of Woodside Hall which commenced on 1st April 2007and had operated the facility until its closure in 2020, as instructed by the Scottish Government as part of the lockdown prompted by the Covid 19 pandemic and following the pandemic had opened through a licence to occupy from GL to CCH in 2023;

(2) CCH had evolved from providing community space for local organisations to providing a range of diverse vital community services to includepre-school nursery provision, after and out of school care, youth work, home care for older people, café and catering;

(3) by granting a long-term lease of Woodside Hall to CCH would help to ensure that the community continued to benefit from the critical facilities and services,

(4) CCH's application had been assessed by the PMGC project working group as well as the PMGC assessment panel consisting of officers from GCC and Glasgow Life, and that both groups considered it a good application and recommended that the proposal for a 25-year lease was accepted based on the terms outlined in the report; and

(5) of the provisionally agreed terms of the contract.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the terms of a 25-year lease of Woodside Hall, 36 Glenfarg Street (Ward 11) to the Community Central Hall (CCH) SCIO through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme which should include as appropriate terms which:-

    (i) maintain a high level of public and democratic scrutiny over the operation of the council-owned facility;

    (ii) maintain close alignment with all relevant council policies, including mechanisms for 'keeping pace' with future policy changes; and

    (iii) provide options for recourse should either of these things cease to be maintained or if any actions are taken by the leaseholder which the Council considers detrimental to its reputation or to the wider public interest; and

(b) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to approve a 25-year lease to Community Central Hall, and is required to cover:-

    (i) the consenting of a sub-lease from Glasgow Life up to 31st March 2023; and

    (ii) the granting of a lease beyond 31st March 2032, for the remainder of the 25-year term.

Land at Daldowie (Ward 20) - Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to commence negotiations for an off-market letting approved.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to commence off market negotiations with Scottish Water for the sale of the land at Daldowie (Ward 20) advising,

(1) that Glasgow City Council (GCC) owned the entire subject site detailed in the appendix to the report and in addition to the training centre, there was two semi-detached residential houses known as 1 and 2 that were both occupied by tenants under residential leases;

(2) that Scottish Water had identified the site as its preferred location for a new multi-million-pound project which would create a new waste treatment facility that would be a major upgrade to the existing sewage treatment facilities, providing environmental benefits, improved efficiency, reducing operating costs and would treat waste to a higher standard; and

(3) of the proposal, as detailed in the report.

Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor Scally moved that authority be granted to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to commence negotiations with Scottish Water for the sale of land at Daldowie (Ward 20).

Bailie Lalley, seconded by Councillor Mooney moved as an amendment that consideration be continued to a future meeting to allow for further information.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 6 members voted for the amendment and 5 for the motion. The amendment was accordingly declared to be carried.

Flat 3/02, 438 Cathcart Road (Ward 8) - Compulsory purchase order approved.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to promote a compulsory purchase order (CPO) of Flat 3/02, 438 Cathcart Road (Ward 8), advising that

(1) it was believed that the property had been unoccupied since approximately July 2011, with the empty homes team being notified in 2023 and as a result, the Long Term Empty Premium had been applied from 1st April 2024;

(2) repeated attempts to contact the owner had been unsuccessful, with recent recorded-delivery correspondence returned by Royal Mail and a potential alternative address that had since been identified and the owner written to had also received no responses;

(3) the flat was considered to be in a state of disrepair, which was having a detrimental impact on neighbouring properties and preventing common repairs from being carried out therefore acquisition of the property by Govanhill Housing Association would enable necessary repairs to be undertaken and allow the property to be brought back into use for much-needed social housing; and

(4) the proposal was to enter into a back-to-back agreement with the successful purchaser after the CPO had been confirmed by Scottish Ministers.

After consideration, the committee

(a) approved the promotion of a CPO at Flat 3/02, 438 Cathcart Road in advance of securing a back-to-back agreement with the purchaser; and

(b) approved a ‘back-to-back’ agreement with Govanhill Housing Association for Flat 3/02, 438 Cathcart Road.

Provision of repair, service and maintenance of hoists and stand aids – Award of contract approved.

6 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of repair, service and maintenance of hoists and stand aids, advising

(1) that the annual budget for the provision of repair, service and maintenance of hoists was £139,704;

(2) the duration of the contract was for a period of 60 months with an option to extend for a further period of up to 2 years and would be utilised by Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership;

(3) of the 9 suppliers invited to bid, 4 submitted a bid and of the 5 suppliers that failed to respond 4 of them declined and 1 responded that it did not align with their core business; and

(4) that following an award evaluation it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Drive DeVilbiss Sidhil Ltd.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the provision of repair, service and maintenance of hoists and stand aids to Drive DeVilbiss Sidhil Ltd at an estimated annual contract value of £139,704.

Provision of works for carriageway resurfacing (Package 2) – Award of contract approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of works for carriageway resurfacing (Package 2), advising that

(1) the Council's budget for the provision of works for carriageway resurfacing works (Package 2) was £7,500.000;

(2) the contract would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and the duration of the contract would be 10 months; and

(3) of the 10 contractors on Lot 1 who had been invited to participate in the mini competition, 7 had submitted a bid, 3 contractors had failed to respond, 3 failed to cite a reason for not responding and following an evaluation it was recommended the contract be awarded to Hillhouse Quarry Group Ltd t/a MacAsphalt.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the provision of works for carriageway resurfacing (Package 2) to Hillhouse Quarry Group Ltd t/a MacAsphalt at a contract value of £5,071,193.

Provision of works for carriageway resurfacing (Package 3) – Award of contract approved.

8 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of works for carriageway resurfacing (Package 3), advising that

(1) the Council's budget for the provision of works for carriageway resurfacing works (Package 3) was £7,500,000;

(2) the contract would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and that the duration of the contract would be 10 months; and

(3) of the 10 contractors on Lot 1 who had been invited to participate in the mini competition, 7 had submitted a bid, 3 contractors had failed to respond, 3 failed to cite a reason for not responding and following an evaluation it was recommended the contract be awarded to John McGeady Ltd.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the provision of works for carriageway resurfacing (Package 3) to John McGeady Ltd at a contract value of £4,961,404.

Provision of works for carriageway resurfacing (Package 4) – Award of contract approved.

9 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of works for carriageway resurfacing (Package 4), advising that

(1) the Council's budget for the provision of works for carriageway resurfacing works (Package 4) was £7,500,000;

(2) the contract would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and that the duration of the contract would be 10 months; and

(3) of the 10 contractors on Lot 1 who had been invited to participate in the mini competition, 7 had submitted a bid, 3 contractors had failed to respond, 3 failed to cite a reason for not responding and following an evaluation it was recommended the contract be awarded to Luddon Construction Ltd.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the provision of works for carriageway resurfacing (Package 4) to Luddon Construction Ltd at a contract value of £5,315,158.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 25th March 2026.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present:	Alex Wilson (Chair), Abdul Bostani, Sean Ferguson and Hanif Raja.
Apologies:	Eunis Jassemi, Kevin Lalley and Leòdhas Massie.
Attending:	P Yule (Clerk); C Cain (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D Anderson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Constable M Galea, Police Scotland.

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of licences dealt with.

1 There were submitted reports by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of various licences, in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, advising

(1) of the circumstances leading to the immediate suspension of each licence; and

(2) that the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke each licence, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the Act.

After consideration, the committee agreed

(a) to suspend the undernoted licences for the unexpired portion of their duration with immediate effect:-

Licence holder and reference number

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

Ghulam Rasul (PD29331)

David Masterson (PD30072)

Javid Akhtar (PD31926)

Mohammed Ramzan (PD33189)

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE

Amjad Aftab (TD16820)

Francis Tolland (TD16905)

Alan Murphy (TD17014)

John Palmieri (TD17411)

Michael Flood (TD18055)

(b) to continue the undernoted licence to allow for legal representation to be in attendance:-

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

Ansumana Sanneh (PD29895)

Applications for various types of licences dealt with – Dissent.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 17 applications for various types of licences.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the applications as follows:-

Applicant and reference number	*Premises*	*Duration*	*Decision*
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (EXISTING)			
Alan Mackie	Flat 2/2, 86 Hill Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Randeep Kohli	98 Hyndland Road (Ward 23)	3 years	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Arona Property Investments Limited	16 Parsonage Square (Ward 9)	3 years	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report

			by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (NEW)

Holyrood Estates Limited	Flat 0/1, 26 Holyrood Crescent (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Anura Bandara Jayasuriya	31 Whitehill Court (Ward 22)	3 years	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Anura Bandara Jayasuriya	33 Whitehill Court (Ward 22)	3 years	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Christopher Hanlon	47 Marywood Square (Ward 6)	3 years	Refused
Shepherd & Wedderburn (Trustees) Limited	Flat 1/1, 27 Holyrood Crescent (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Fang Properties (UK) Limited	Flat 7, 264 Bath Street (Ward 9)	3 years	Refused, Councillor Raja dissenting

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (GRANT)

Zeray Kase (PD35305)	n/a	3 years	Refused

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Mehdi Mohammadi	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Muhammad Rafiq	n/a	3 years	Continued for outcome of pending case
Ansumana Sanneh	n/a	3 years	Continued for outcome of pending case

TEMPORARY PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE (GRANT)

MT Attractions Ltd (PEL01398)	Peel Ports Site, 225 South Street (Ward 12)	Temporary from 27th March 2026 – 19th April 2026	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE (GRANT)

Abbeyhill Taxis (TV09835)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow the applicant to be in attendance
Logan Taxi Service (TV09441)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow the applicant to be in attendance
Blackband Taxi Service (TV10281)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow the applicant to be in attendance

Application by Najibullah Ashgari (PD35316) for a private hire car driver licence (Renewal) for 3 years granted, after division.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an application by Najibullah Ashgari (PD35316) for a private hire car driver licence (Renewal) for 3 years.

Councillor Ferguson, seconded by Bailie Raja, moved that the application be refused.

Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Bostani, moved as an amendment that the application be granted for a restricted period of 1 year and a severe warning issued regarding the applicant's future conduct.

On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 2 members voted for the amendment and 2 for the motion. There being an equality of votes, the Chair gave his casting vote in favour of the amendment, which was accordingly declared to be carried and the application was granted for a restricted period of 1 year with a severe warning issued regarding the applicant's future conduct.

Exclusion of public.

4 The committee resolved, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public for the following items of business as exempt information, as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Application by Ryan Adams (PD35213) for private hire car driver's licence (Temporary) refused.

5 With reference to the minutes of 25th February 2025 (Print 7, page 74) continuing consideration of an application by Ryan Adams (PD35213) for a private hire car driver's licence (Temporary) for 6 weeks, there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the matter.

After consideration, the committee refused the application.

Re-admittance of public.

6 The public were re-admitted to the meeting.

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Request for approval of advertising material/artwork – Taxis – Artwork approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a request by Mr Ahmed for approval of 4 different types of advertising material/artwork, advising

(1) of the 2-step process in relation to advertising in the vehicle, as detailed in the report;

(2) that step 1 of the process related to the submission of the artwork material to the Licensing Authority; and

(3) that Members were now required to consider in view of the advertising material provided with the request, and having given the requester an opportunity to be heard, whether to grant consent to display advertising material/artwork as requested.

After consideration, the committee approved step 1 of the process and approved the submission of the material/artwork only.

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 15th April 2026.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present:	Alex Wilson (Chair), Sean Ferguson, Abdul Bostani and Hanif Raja.
Apologies:	Eunis Jassemi, Kevin Lalley and Leòdhas Massie.
Attending:	P Yule (Clerk); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); and D Anderson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of licences dealt with.

1 There were submitted reports by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of various licences, in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, advising

(1) of the circumstances leading to the immediate suspension of each licence; and

(2) that the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke each licence, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the Act.

After consideration, the committee agreed to suspend the undernoted licences for the unexpired portion of their duration with immediate effect:-

Licence holder and reference number

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

Abdullah Yasin (PD34618);

Michael Esho (PD31196); and

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE

Andrew McAdam (TD17834)

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Request to recall Suspension Order imposed on private hire car driver's licence (PD34367) dealt with.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a request by Mr Mohammed Sarwar that the Suspension Order imposed on his private hire car driver's licence (PD34367) be recalled, advising

(1) of the circumstances leading to the Suspension Order being imposed; and

(2) that following the decision on 5th November 2025 to suspend his private hire car driver's licence for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect, Mr Sarwar had now requested that the Suspension Order imposed be recalled.

After consideration, the committee agreed to recall the Suspension Order imposed on private hire car driver's licence held by Mr Mohammed Sarwar (PD34367).

Applications for various types of licences dealt with - Dissent.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 7 applications for various types of licences.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the applications as follows:-

Applicant and reference number	*Premises*	*Duration*	*Decision*
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (EXISTING)			
Quamy Dean (HMO00611)	Flat 0/1, 23 Radnor Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (NEW)			
Reumi Services Ltd (HMO07754)	16 Langa Street (Ward 15)	3 years	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (VARIATION)

Quamy Dean (HMO00611)	Flat 0/1, 23 Radnor Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE (GRANT)

Pizza Cake (Govan) Ltd t/a Domino's (LHC00591)	Domino's Pizza, 250 Drumoyne Road (Ward 5)	3 years	Granted

PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE (GRANT)

Kunsupitchya Kulporntavanchai (PEL01365)	2353 Dumbarton Road (Ward 13)	3 years	Continued for further information

SHORT TERM LET LICENCE – HOME LETTING (GRANT)

Saima Khan (GL01687)	68 Hardridge Road (Ward 4)	3 years	Refused, Bailie Raja dissenting

SHORT TERM LET LICENCE – HOME SHARING (GRANT)

Armand Gerrard (GL01692)	B/1, Garden Flat, 7 Westbank Quadrant (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 22nd April 2026.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present:	Alex Wilson (Chair), Abdul Bostani, Leòdhas Massie and Hanif Raja.
Apologies:	Sean Feguson, Eunis Jassemi and Kevin Lalley.
Attending:	D Brand (Clerk); C Cain (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D Anderson and B Carroll (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Constable M Galea, Police Scotland.

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of private hire car driver's licence of Obed Johnston (PD30194) – Action agreed.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of the private hire car driver's licence of Obed Johnston (PD30194), in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, advising that

(1) following receipt of correspondence from People Asset Management, Mr Johnston's private hire car driver's licence had been suspended on 30th March 2026 with immediate effect for a period of 6 weeks; and

(2) the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke the private hire car driver's licence of Obed Johnston, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act.

After consideration, the committee agreed to suspend the private hire car driver's licence of Obed Johnston for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act.

Applications for various types of licences dealt with - Dissent.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 55 applications for various types of licences.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the applications as follows:-

Applicant and reference number	*Premises*	*Duration*	*Decision*
HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (NEW)			
Stephen McLintock (HMO07761)	2/2, 63 St Vincent Crescent (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Megan Morrison (HMO07768)	1/1, 8 Queen Margaret Drive (Ward 11)		Granted, for a restricted period of 1 year, subject to the conditions detailed in report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, and a severe warning issued regarding the applicant's future management of the premises
Hepp Glasgow Ltd (HMO07801)	B2, 1 Clyde Place (Ward 5)		Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Hepp Glasgow Ltd (HMO07802)	B4, 1 Clyde Place (Ward 5)		Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Hepp Glasgow Ltd (HMO07803)	B6, 1 Clyde Place (Ward 5)		Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance

PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE (GRANT)

Platinum Glow Ltd (PEL01399)	21 Dougrie Drive (Ward 1)	n/a	Granted, for a restricted period of 1 year, subject to the conditions detailed in reports by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, and a severe warning issued regarding the applicant's future management of premises

PRIVATE HIRE LICENCE (GRANT)

Asim Sheikh (PV27762)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Abdullahi Mohammed Ismail (PV27763)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Ammar Ali M Al-Aghbari (PV27764)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Abbas Mustafa (PV27765)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Poonacha Cheranda Poovaiah (PV27766)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Muhammad Ali Khan (PV27767)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Medhanie Redae Tesfay (PV27769)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

Yoseph Getachew (PV27770)	n/a	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Sharifuddin Siddiqi (PV27771)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Saba Kanwal Ahmad (PV27772)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Efrem Abraha (PV27773)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Abdullah Arsalan Haider (PV27775)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Zaher Abdul F El-Seed (PV27776)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Muhammad Adeel Alam (PV27777)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Frehiwot Tekleab Afewerki (PV27778)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Moosa Ismail (PV27779)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Amir Khan (PV27783)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Parmjit Singh (PV27784)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Akhtar Zaman Khan Begum (PV27785)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Northern Car Rentals Ltd (PV27786)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Sijad Raziq (PV27787)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Imran Younis Butt (PV27788)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Ghulam Shabbir Ahmed Zohar (PV27789)	n/a	3 years	Refused

Dawa Sherpa (PV27790)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Ismail Yossef Abdelgany Marei (PV27791)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Abdulrahman Khatir (PV27792)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Muhammad Ibrahem (PV27793)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Muhammad Ejaz (PV27794)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Ziad Karamat (PV27797)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Liam Baird (PV27798)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Amadou Cherif Diallo (PV27799)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Feven Yemane (PV27800)	n/a	3 years	Refused
David Eadie (PV27801)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Dini Cars (PV27802)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Raza Khawar (PV27804)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Attique Ur Rehman (PV27805)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Waseem Ahmad (PV27806)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Andleeb Latif (PV27807)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Abdullah Mohammed (PV27808)	n/a	3 years	Refused

Isaac Eroboyi Eroboyi (PV27809)	n/a	3 years	Refused

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)

Hussain Hussaini (PD35655)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Ch Ghulam Ranjah (PD35768)	n/a	3 years	Refused, Bailie Raja dissenting

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE (GRANT)

Farhat Ullah (TD18217)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Zabidullah Rasoli (TD18277)	n/a	3 years	Granted for a restricted period of 1 year and a severe warning issued regarding the applicant's future conduct

TAXI LICENCE (CHANGE OF MANAGER)

Abbeyhill Taxis (TV09835)	n/a	3 years	Refused

TAXI LICENCE (GRANT)

Hinda (TV10228)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Nac Taxi Co (PV10245)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Victoria Taxi Service (PV10251)	n/a	3 years	Refused
Blackband Taxi Service (PV10281)	n/a	3 years	Refused

Complaints against various licence holders dealt with.

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 7 complaints against various licence holders.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the complaints as follows:-

Licence holder and reference number	*Decision*
TAXI LICENCE	
Crow Taxi Service (TV09361)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
ALS Taxis (TV09099)	Licence revoked
Harris Taxis (TV09114)	Licence surrendered
Turner Taxis (TV09196)	Continued for further information
M & C Taxis (TV09212)	Licence revoked
Wil Taxi Service (TV09372)	Licence revoked
L A Taxis (TV09061)	Licence revoked

Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 – Requests to consider whether various landlords remained fit and proper persons to be entered in register of private landlords dealt with.

4 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 4 requests by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to consider whether various landlords remained fit and proper persons to be entered in the register of private landlords, in terms of Part 8 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the requests as follows:-

Landlord	*Decision*
Hugh Ballantyne	Granted
Man Bun Cheung	Continued for 1 month
Azran Shafiq	Granted
Imran Jaffri	Granted

LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 29th April 2026.

Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

Present:	Alex Wilson (Chair), Abdul Bostani, Sean Ferguson, Kevin Lalley and Leòdhas Massie.
Apologies:	Eunis Jassemi and Hanif Raja.
Attending:	D Brand (Clerk); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); C Gilmour (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability), and Inspector A Ferris, Police Scotland.

Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 3 applications for various types of licences.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the applications as follows:-

Applicant and reference number	*Premises*	*Duration*	*Decision*
LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE (GRANT)			
Mohammad Qureshi (LHC00586)	Three-In-One, 146 Balmore Road (Ward 16)	3 years	Granted
PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE (RENEWAL)			
Scottish Event Campus Ltd (PEL00219)	The SSE Hydro, Congress Road (Ward 10)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (GRANT)			
Scott Hutchison (PD35662)	n/a	3 years	Granted for a restricted period of 1 year and a severe warning issued regarding the applicant's future conduct

Application by Kunsupitchya Kulporntavanchai for a public entertainment licence granted.

2 In terms of Standing Order 4, as a matter of urgency, there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an application by Kunsupitchya Kulporntavanchai (PEL01365) for a public entertainment licence for 3 years at premises at 2353 Dumbarton Road (Ward 13).

After consideration, the committee granted the application, subject to the conditions detailed in reports by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Exclusion of public.

3 The committee resolved, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public for the following item of business as exempt information, as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Applications for private hire car driver's licences dealt with.

4 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 2 applications for private hire car driver's licences.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the applications as follows:-

Applicant and reference number	*Premises*	*Duration*	*Decision*
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (GRANT)			
Taher Gholami (PD35624)	n/a	3 years	Refused
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)			
Ansumana Sanneh (PD35561)	n/a	3 years	Refused

Complaints against various licence holders dealt with.

5 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 15 complaints against various licence holders.

After consideration, the committee dealt with the complaints as follows:-

Licence holder and reference number	*Decision*
PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE	
Mohammed Shezad (PV24653)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
Hac Private Hire Ltd (PV26902)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE	
Jaspal Hunjan (PD31172)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
Abdirisak Ali (PD31596)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
Nassar Hassan Nassar (PD31282)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration
Muhammad Janaghir (PD31696)	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE	
Thomas Reilly (TD16630)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration
TAXI LICENCE	
Benag Taxi Service (TV09281)	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Haig Taxi Service (TV09323)	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Court Taxis (TV09397)	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Broomhill Taxi Service (TV09442)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda
Central Taxi Service (TV09458)	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Bells Taxi (TV09486)	Noted withdrawal of item from agenda

Abbotsford Taxis (TV09526)	Continued for 6 months
Brora Taxis (TV09868)	No action

Exclusion of public.

6 The committee resolved, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public for the following item of business as exempt information, as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Complaint regarding taxi driver's licence for Usman Razzaq (TD17574) - Licence suspended.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a complaint in respect of the taxi driver's licence for Usman Razzaq (TD17574).

After consideration, the committee suspended the licence for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect.

Request for consent of external advertising on private hire car approved.

8 With reference to the minutes of 28th August 2024 (Print 3, page 162) approving the amended Advertising on Licensed Vehicles Private Hire Cars Policy and the Advertising on Licensed Vehicles Taxis Policy with effect from 1st October 2024, there were submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a request by Glasgow Private Hire Ltd for consent to display external advertising on their private hire car Plate no 4026, advising

(1) of the 2-step process in relation to advertising on or in either vehicle, as detailed in the report;

(2) that step 1 of the process, which related to the submission of the artwork material to the Licensing Authority, had already been approved by the Legal Manager in line with the Advertising Policy; and

(3) that Members were now required to consider whether to grant consent to the display of external advertising for the application that had been received in line with step 2 of the Advertising Policy.

After consideration, the committee granted consent to Glasgow Private Hire Ltd to display external advertising on their private hire car Plate no 4026.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 31st March 2026.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), John Carson and Robert Mooney.

Attending: H Cairns (Clerk); and T Hughes (for the Head of Human Resources).

Appointment of Chair.

1 The committee agreed to appoint Councillor Casey to chair the meeting.

Exclusion of public.

2 The committee resolved, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public from the meeting as exempt information, as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Education Services - Appeal against dismissal upheld in part.

3 The committee considered an appeal against dismissal by an employee previously employed in Education Services.

Having heard the appellant, J Hunter, EIS, and J McGhee and K Smith, Education Services, the committee, after discussion, upheld the appeal in part.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 14th April 2026.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Alan Casey (Chair), Graham Campbell and Robert Mooney.

Attending: C Chisholm (Clerk); and T Spooner (for the Head of Human Resources).

Appointment of Chair.

1 The committee agreed to appoint Councillor Casey to chair the meeting.

Exclusion of public.

2 The committee resolved, in terms of Section 50A (4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public from the meeting as exempt information, as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability – Appeal against dismissal upheld.

3 The committee considered an appeal against dismissal by an employee previously employed in Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Having heard the appellant, C Mitchell, GMB, W Holms and L Benzie, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee, after discussion, upheld the appeal.

PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 23rd April 2026.

Personnel Appeals Committee.

Present: Allan Casey (Chair), Allan Gow and Dan Hutchison.

Attending: C Chisholm (Clerk); and Taranum Spooner (Human Resources Officer).

Appointment of Chair.

1 The committee agreed to appoint Councillor Casey to chair the meeting.

Exclusion of public.

2 The committee resolved, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public from the meeting as exempt information, as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership - Appeal against dismissal refused.

3 The committee considered an appeal against dismissal by an employee previously employed in Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership.

Having heard the appellant, E Cassells, D Goldie and A Kelly, Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership, the committee, after discussion, rejected the appeal.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 24th March 2026.

Planning Applications Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, John Daly, Elaine Gallagher, Paul Leinster, Anne McTaggart, Jill Pidgeon, Hanif Raja, Thomas Rannachan and Martha Wardrop.

Apology: Mhairi Hunter.

Attending: E Paton (Clerk); and I Briggs and M Thomson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

58 - 72 Charlotte Street (Ward 9) - 23/00026/FUL - Erection of residential flatted dwellings (65 units) with access, parking, amenity space, landscaping and associated works, includes relocated electrical substation - Committee minded to conditionally grant planning permission.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Surplus Property Solutions Investments Ltd for the erection of residential flatted dwellings (65 units) with access, parking, amenity space, landscaping and associated works, including relocated electrical substation at 58-72 Charlotte Street (Ward 9) – 23/00026/FUL.

After consideration, the committee were minded to conditionally grant planning permission, subject to

(1) the completion of an agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997; and

(2) an amended condition No31 to read:-

“Prior to any occupation of the development, details of a waste and recycling strategy for the development shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the planning authority. This shall include location, type and number of waste and recycling bins and management arrangements for the presentation and return of bins on collection days, including details of the appointed contractor. Thereafter the approved strategy shall be fully implemented prior to occupation of the development;

Reason: To ensure the proper disposal of waste and to safeguard the environment of the development.”

Adjournment.

2 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the committee agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1120 hours until 1130 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

3 The meeting resumed at 1130 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present:	Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, John Daly, Elaine Gallagher, Paul Leinster, Anne McTaggart, Jill Pidgeon, Hanif Raja and Thomas Rannachan.
Apologies:	Mhairi Hunter and Martha Wardrop.
Attending:	E Paton (Clerk) and I Briggs and M Thomson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Corunna Bowling Club, 35A St Vincent Crescent (Ward 10) – 25/01209/FUL and 25/01221/CON – Application for planning permission and conservation area consent – Committee minded to conditionally grant planning permission and conservation area consent – Instruction to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

4 There were submitted reports by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding applications by Nixon Blue for

(1) planning permission for the demolition of a vacant bowling clubhouse and redvelopment of the site with the erection of residential flats and a community facility (Sui generis), including a private amenity space, access, car parking, landscaping, public open space, with infrastructure and related works: potentially contrary to City Development Plan Policy CDP 6: ‘Green Belt and Green Network’ – 25/01209/FUL; and

(2) complete demolition in a Conservation Area – 25/01221/CON.

After consideration, the committee

(a) were minded to conditionally grant planning permission and conservation area consent, subject to the completion of an agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997; and

(b) instructed the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to draft the appropriate conditions.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 21st April 2026.

Planning Applications Committee.

Present:	Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, Sean Ferguson, Mhairi Hunter, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Paul Leinster, Anne McTaggart, Jill Pidgeon, Thomas Rannachan and Martha Wardrop.
Apologies:	John Daly, Elaine Gallagher and Hanif Raja.
Attending:	E Paton (Clerk); and S Connelly, J Howard, M Thomson and M Wilson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

112 Argyle Street (Ward 10) - 26/00150/LBA - Internal and external alterations to listed building, associated display signs – Listed building consent refused.

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Mr Bakehouse for listed building consent for internal and external alterations to a listed building, associated with display of signs at 112 Argyle Street (Ward 10) - 26/00150/LBA.

After consideration, the committee refused listed building consent.

112 Argyle Street (Ward 10) - 26/00151/ADV - Display of an illuminated box sign, vinyl signs, board sign to fascia and change to lettering in fascia – Advertisement consent refused.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Mor Bakehouse for advertisement consent for display of an illuminated box sign, vinyl signs, board sign to fascia and change to lettering in fascia at 112 Argyle Street (Ward 10) - 26/00151/ADV.

After consideration, the committee refused advertisement consent.

1 Dundas Street (Ward 10) - 26/00153/LBA - Internal alterations to listed building including, display of box signs – Listed building consent refused.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Mor Bakehouse for listed building consent for internal alterations to a listed building and display of box signs at 1 Dundas Street (Ward 10) - 26/00153/LBA.

After consideration, the committee refused listed building consent.

1 Dundas Street (Ward 10) - 26/00152/ADV - Display of internally illuminated box signs – Advertisement consent refused.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Mor Bakehouse for advertisement consent for the display of internally illuminated box signs at 1 Dundas Street (Ward 10) - 26/00152/ADV.

After consideration, the committee refused advertisement consent.

Site formely known as Hillhead Baptist Church (Ward 11) - 24/01934/FUL and 24/01935LBA - Demolition of builiding and erection of flatted residential development (32 units) with associated landscaping and infrastructure and demolition of building and and erection of residential flatted development (32 units) with associated landscaping infrastructure – Consideration continued.

5 There were submitted reports by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding applications by Wemyss Properties Limited for

(1) planning permission for the demolition of the building and the erection of a flatted residential development (32 units) with associated landscaping and infrastructure at a site formely known as Hillhead Baptist Church (Ward 11) – 24/01934/FUL; and

(2) listed building consent for the demolition of the building and the erection of a residential flatted development (32 units) with associated landscaping infrastructure at a site formely known as Hillhead Baptist Church (Ward 11) - 24/01935LBA.

After consideration, the committee continued consideration of both applications for a hearing.

In terms of Standing Order No 27, Bailie Wardrop declared an interest in this item of business and left the meeting and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

134 Renfrew Street (Ward 10) - 14/01362/DC - Erection of student accomodation including use of existing retail unit (amended drawings): re-submission of application 10/01837/DC - Committee minded to conditionally grant planning permission.

6 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Inehaze for planning permission for the erection of student accommodation including use of an existing retail unit (amended drawings): re-submission of application 10/01837/DC at 134 Renfrew Street (Ward 10) – 14/01362/DC.

After consideration, the committee

(1) were minded to conditionally grant planning permission and conservation area consent, subject to the completion of an agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997; and

(2) an amended condition No 32 to read:-

"Prior to occupation of the building, details of the cycle parking, with a minimum provision for 45 bicycles, and electric bicycle charging facilities, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. Thereafter, the cycle parking and electric bicycle charging shall be completed and operational prior to occupation of the building.

Reason: To ensure that cycle parking is available for the occupiers/users of the development."

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 31st March 2026.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, Sean Ferguson, Mhairi Hunter, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Paul Leinster, Anne McTaggart, Jill Pidgeon, Hanif Raja and Thomas Rannachan.

Apologies: John Daly and Martha Wardrop.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); T Moss and S Taylor (Planning Advisors); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Appointment of Chair.

1 The committee agreed to appoint Councillor Andrew to chair the meeting.

27 Onslow Drive (Ward 22) – 26/00005/LOCAL – Use of dwellinghouse as house in multiple occupation (up to 8 persons) and external repairs and works – Planning permission refused.

2 There was submitted a request by Mrs Natalie Lawlor for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the use of a dwellinghouse as a house in multiple occupation (up to 8 persons) and external repairs and works at 27 Onslow Drive (Ward 22) – 26/00005/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee refused planning permission.

44 Sinclair Drive (Ward 7) – 26/00011/LOCAL – Use of premises (Class 1A) as café/restaurant (Class 3) with frontage alterations – Planning permission conditionally granted, after division.

3 There was submitted a request by Sylvan La Cave for a Planng Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the use of premises (Class 1A) as a café/restaurant (Class 3) with frontage alterations at 44 Sinclair Drive (Ward 7) – 26/000115/LOCAL.

Councillor Andrew, seconded by Councillor Leinster, moved that planning permission be refused.

Councillor Pidgeon, seconded by Councillor Alam, moved as an amendment that planning permission be conditionally granted, subject to an additional condition to read:

“A waste management plan shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority within 2 months of the date of this decision and thereafter shall be implemented in the approved manner. This will detail the refuse and recycling storage areas and bins shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the planning authority. These facilities shall be completed before the development/the relevant part of the development is occupied.

Reason: In order to protect the appearance of both the property itself and the surrounding area.

Reason: To ensure the proper disposal of waste and to safeguard the environment of the development.”

On a vote being taken by calling the role, 7 members voted for the amendment and 4 for the motion. The amendment was accordingly declared to be carried.

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 14th April 2026.

Planning Local Review Committee.

Present:	Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, Mhairi Hunter, Paul Leinster, Anne McTaggart, Jill Pidgeon, Hanif Raja, Thomas Rannachan and Martha Wardrop.
Apologies:	John Daly and Elaine Gallagher.
Attending:	L Sclater (Clerk); T Moss and S Taylor (Planning Advisiors); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance.

Appointment of Chair.

1 The committee agreed to appoint Councillor Andrew to chair the meeting.

57 West Regent Street (Ward 10) - Use of public house (Sui generis) as nightclub (Class 11) - 22/00022/LOCAL - Planning permission conditionally granted.

2 With reference to the minutes of 25th October 2022 (Print 4, page 449) committee resumed consideration of a request by Cova for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the use of a public house (Sui generis) as a nightclub (Class 11) at 57 West Regent Street (Ward 10) – 26/00022/LOCAL.

After consideration, committee conditionally granted planning permission.

21 Langside Drive (Ward 2) - Installation of rooflights to dwellinghouse - 26/00006/LOCAL – Planning permission conditionally granted.

3 With reference to the minutes of 17th March 2026 (Print 7, page 115) committee resumed consideration of a request by Ms Laura Kyle for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the installation of rooflights to a dwellinghouse at 21 Langside Drive (Ward 2) – 26/00006/LOCAL.

After consideration, committee conditionally granted planning permission.

FINANCE AND AUDIT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 25th March 2026.

Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

Present:	Cecilia O'Lone (Chair), Alexander Belic, Abdul Bostani, Elaine Gallagher, Sharon Greer, Greg Hepburn, Dan Hutchison, Jim Kavanagh, Alex Kerr, Donna McGill, Malcolm Mitchell, Kieran Turner and Catherine Vallis.
Attending:	C Birrell (Clerk); R Emmott, Executive Director of Financial Services; J Campbell, Head of Audit and Inspection; Neil Farnell (for the Chief Executive); and C McKenzie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

Capital Investment Programme - Annual Performance 2024/25 noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Executive regarding the performance and achievements of the projects that formed part of the Council's Capital Investment Programme, as set out in the Capital Investment Programme Annual Performance Report (APR) for 2024/25, advising

(1) of a summary of a selection of key highlights from the 2024/25 APR, as detailed in an appendix to the report;

(2) of the key performance highlights during the period from April 2024 to March 2025 of those projects within the Council's Capital Investment Programme; and

(3) that despite continued challenges, significant progress had been made in delivering programmed works and minimising the cost to the Council whilst maintaining development across major projects, as detailed in the report.

Sundry Trusts and Funds – Position noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Financial Services providing an update on the Council's Sundry Trusts and Funds for the financial year ending 31st March 2025, advising that

(1) the Council's Sundry Trusts and Funds had been set up from donations and bequests from individuals and organisations over many years and, following a review of the trusts, a restructure had been approved in 2009, which reduced the number of trusts from 120 to 13;

(2) there were 13 Sundry Trusts held with an overall balance of £16.258m as at 31st March 2025, which reflected an increase in value of £0.063m from the

previous year due to the net expenditure of the funds and a positive return on investments during 2024/25;

(3) of the 13 Sundry Trusts held:-

(a) 4 had charitable status and were subject to the requirements of the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator, with their accounts being required to comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102); and

(b) 4 of the charitable trusts had appointed WBG (Audit) Ltd as auditors in August 2025 on a 2 year contract and the non-charitable trusts were audited as part of the Council's audit appointment with EY; and

(4) details of the objectives of the 13 trusts were included in Appendix 1 to the report, showing the opening balance, expenditure and income during the year together with movement on investment; and

(5) the Sundry Trusts' investments were managed by the Council, with the majority of the funds invested on a longer term basis with Ruffer LLP and that as at 31st March 2025 Ruffer LLP held £15.964m in Sundry Trusts investments.

Common Good Fund budget 2026/27 – Position noted – Recommendation to City Administration Committee.

3 With reference to the minutes of the Executive Committee of 5th February 2015 (Print 6, page 464) approving a revised policy on Common Good, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Financial Services, advising

(1) that this committee considered the Common Good budget annually and made recommendations to the City Administration Committee for its consideration;

(2) that the Executive Committee had agreed, as part of the 2014/15 budget, that the budget objective would be to balance the revenue budget without any requirement for a draw from the capital of the Common Good Fund for ongoing operational expenditure, without impinging on the ability of the Council to offer civic hospitality, and for this to be achieved during the term of this Council; and

(3) that as part of the Common Good Fund budget approval for 2025/26, the City Administration Committee had agreed to

(a) the reviewing of the policy on anniversaries so they were generally marked by a commemorative gift, and events held only by exception;

(b) the reviewing of spend and approval limits;

(c) explore how equalities monitoring data on those accessing civic hospitality could be gathered and recorded; and

(d) reserve the sum of around £100,000 for the delivery of major civic events, including an annual fireworks display to be explored in conjunction with Glasgow Life; and

(4) of a proposed draft budget for 2026/27, as outlined in an appendix to the report.

After consideration, the committee

(i) noted the proposed budget for 2026/27 assuming no change to the existing use of the Common Good Fund; and

(ii) agreed the proposed

(A) use of the capital of the Common Good Fund in 2026/27 if a viable scheme for a civic fireworks display for £100,000 was identified; and

(B) agreed to recommend to the City Administration Committee approval of the Common Good Fund budget for 2026/27.

Internal audits noted – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.

4 There were submitted reports by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the findings of the following audits carried out:-

(1) Corporate Review:-

(a) Establishment Visits;

(b) Preparedness for PPP Handback;

(c) Corporate Procurement Manual; and

(d) Recruitment and Selection; and

(2) Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability – Weighbridge Controls.

After consideration, the committee

(i) noted the contents of the reports; and

(ii) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit follow up reports showing progress towards achievement of the action plans arising from the audits undertaken.

Audit recommendations - Progress noted etc.

5 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection providing an update on the status of audit recommendations agreed previously with services,

(1) advising that since the last report to this committee on 25th February 2026 (Print 7, page 119), services had been responsible for following up recommendations that were due to have been implemented, with 41 remaining outstanding split across each service area, as detailed in the report;

(2) intimating that during the period from 22nd December 2025 to 25th February 2026 services had satisfactorily implemented 5 recommendations, as detailed in the report; and

(3) detailing a summary of outstanding recommendations by service area and priority, together with the register of all recommendations that had still to be implemented, as detailed in an appendix to the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

(a) the progress made in terms of the recommendations implemented; and

(b) that further reports advising of the implementation of outstanding recommendations would be submitted in due course.

Internal Audit – ALEO update – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.

6 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the findings of the internal audit work undertaken at the Arm's Length External Organisations within the Council group during the period from October 2025 to February 2026.

After consideration, the committee

(1) noted the report; and

(2) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit a further report to this committee, including an update on the implementation of actions arising from the audits undertaken

Internal Audit – Audit Plan 2026/27 approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection regarding the Audit Plan 2026/27, detailng the outputs that members and senior officials could expect from Internal Audit in 2026/27, advising of

(1) the key system areas and control risks on services across the Council;

(2) other assurance activities;

(3) internal audit outputs in 2026/27 including areas of work not directly contributing to the Annual Governance Statement; and

(4) updates on the work of the Corporate Fraud and Investigations Team and Audit Glasgow.

After consideration, the committee approved the implementation of the Audit Plan for 2026/27.

Exclusion of public.

8 The committee, resolved in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public for the remaining item of business as exempt information, as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A, was likely to be disclosed.

Internal audit – Chief Executive's – Mobile Device Management – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.

9 There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the findings of a review of the mobile device management assurance work completed to date.

After consideration, the committee

(1) noted the contents of the report; and

(2) instructed the Head of Audit and Inspection to submit further reports on the progress towards achievement of the recommendations within the action plan.

FINANCE AND AUDIT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 22nd April 2026.

Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

Present:	Cecilia O'Lone (Chair), Alexander Belic, Abdul Bostani, Greg Hepburn, Dan Hutchison, Jim Kavanagh, Alex Kerr, Donna McGill, Malcolm Mitchell, Robert Mooney (substitute for Sharon Greer), Linda Pike (substitute for Elaine Gallagher) and Kieran Turner.
Apologies:	Elaine Gallagher, Sharon Greer and Alex Kerr.
Attending:	C Birrell (Clerk); M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; J Campbell, Head of Audit and Inspection; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; T Hughes (for the Head of Human Resources); and R Jones, EY.

Responses to questions noted.

1 There was submitted and noted a list of responses to the questions raised by members at the meeting of this committee on 25th March 2026.

Financial monitoring reports 2025/26 noted.

2 There were submitted and noted financial monitoring reports by the Director of Financial and Business Services in respect of Revenues, the General Fund, Services, Related Companies and Joint Boards and the Common Good Fund, for the period from 1st April 2025 to 6th February 2026, including details of Civic Hospitality commitments for 2025/26 – 2028/29.

Investment Programme 2025/26 - Monitoring reports noted.

3 There were submitted and noted financial monitoring reports by the Executive Director of Financial Services in respect of the Investment Programme and receipts from Asset Sales for the period from 1st April 2025 to 6th February 2026.

Arms Length External Organisations - Quarterly performance report 2025/26 noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Financial Services providing financial and other operating information on the Council's Arms Length External Organisations for the period from 1st April 2025 to 6th February 2026.

Flexible retirement and redundancy/early retirement – Position noted etc.

5 There was submitted and noted a joint report by the Head of Human Resources and the Executive Director of Financial Services, regarding the Local Government Pension Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2015, flexible retirement provisions and the Local Government (Discretionary Payments & Injury Benefits) Scotland Regulations 1998 (as amended), redundancy and early retirement provisions, advising

(1) of the number of employees who had been granted permission, under delegated authority, to take flexible retirement under the Council's flexible retirement provisions or leave the service of the Council under the Council's redundancy/early retirement provisions in the period from 1st July 2025 to 31st March 2026, together with the associated costs and savings, as detailed in the report; and

(2) that following a decision made at the City Administration Committee on 8th May 2025 this report would now be submitted to this committee on a quarterly basis unless doing so may breach General Data Protection Regulations, which in those circumstances the report would be provided as soon as possible to adhere to the regulations.