



Minutes of  
**Glasgow City Council**

2026/27 – Print 2



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**MINUTES**  
**OF**  
**GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL**

Hybrid meeting, 14th May 2026.

**Glasgow City Council.**

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

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

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Apologies: Bill Butler and Frank McAveety.

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 2nd April 2026 (Print 1, pages 1 to 38) were submitted and approved.

### **Minutes of committees submitted and approved.**

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

- (1) Senior Officer Workforce Committee of 20th March 2026;
- (2) City Administration Committee of 26th March and 23rd April 2026;
- (3) City Policy Committees:-
  - (a) Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration of 21st April 2026;
  - (b) Education, Skills and Early Years of 23rd April 2026;
  - (c) Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods of 28th April 2026;
  - (d) Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring of 14th April 2026; and
  - (e) Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement of 16th April 2026; and
- (4) Contracts and Property Committee of 30th April 2026;
- (5) Licensing and Regulatory Committee of 25th March and 15th, 22nd and 29th April 2026;
- (6) Personnel Appeals Committee of 31st March and 14th and 23rd April 2026;
- (7) Planning Applications Committee of 24th March and 21st April 2026;
- (8) Planning Local Review Committee of 31st March and 14th April 2026; and
- (9) Scrutiny Committees:-
  - (a) Finance and Audit of 25th March and 22nd April 2026.

### **Council and Committee Standing Orders approved.**

**3** There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the Council and Committee Standing Orders, highlighting proposed amendments which had been made to the existing Standing Orders.

After consideration, the Council approved the Council and Committee Standing Orders as submitted.

The approved Council and Committee Standing Orders are printed as Appendix 1 to these minutes.

### **Standing Orders Relating to Contracts approved.**

**4** There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration highlighting proposed amendments which had been made to the existing Standing Orders Relating to Contracts.

After consideration, the Council approved the Standing Orders Relating to Contracts as submitted.

The approved Standing Orders Relating to Contracts are printed as Appendix 2 to these minutes.

### **Changes to committees approved.**

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

<i>Committee etc</i>	<i>Appointment</i>
Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee	Remove Councillor Zen Ghani and appoint Councillor Alexander Belic
Finance and Audit Scrutiny Delivery Committee	Remove Councillor Alex Kerr and appoint Councillor Declan Blench
	Remove Councillor Greg Hepburn and appoint Councillor Ken Andrew
Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee	Remove Councillor Alex Kerr and appoint Bailie Norman MacLeod
Strathclyde Pension Fund	Remove Councillor Alex Kerr and appoint Councillor Greg Hepburn

### **Appointments and representation on outside bodies approved.**

**6** The Council approved the following appointments and changes to its representation on outside bodies:-

## *Organisation*

## *Appointment*

Champions' Board for Care Experienced Children and Young People

Appoint Councillor Graham Campbell

Appoint Councillor Jon Molyneux

Digital Glasgow

Remove Councillor Alex Kerr and appoint Councillor Ken Andrew

Glasgow East Arts Company

Remove Alex Kerr and appoint Councillor Donna McGill

Hutcheson's Hospital

Remove Councillor Zen Ghani and appoint Bailie Paul McCabe

## **Correspondence noted.**

7 There was submitted and noted a letters from

- (1) the Minister for Social Care and Wellbeing in response to a motion on Mental Health Services funding and the Enhanced Mental Health Outcomes Framework approved by this Council on 11th December 2025; and
- (2) the Minister for AI and Online Safety in response to a motion on Glasgow Against Online Hate by this Council on 26th June 2025.

## **Questions.**

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

<i>Question by</i>	<i>Question</i>	<i>Answered by</i>
Councillor Stephen Docherty	To ask the relevant Convenor what plans does the Council have to introduce or refresh city-wide public information campaign to encourage residents, visitors and businesses to help keep Glasgow clean and tidy?	Councillor Laura Doherty, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets

Councillor Lilith Johnstone	Can the relevant Convener clarify the Council's policy on maintaining or replacing street lighting in private lanes that are used for Council services?	Councillor Laura Doherty, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Jill Brown	Can the relevant Convener confirm what the current waiting times are for renewal of painted disabled parking bays?	Councillor Laura Doherty, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Robert Mooney	To ask the relevant Convener what general wellbeing or public safety awareness activity has been undertaken along the city's waterways over the past three years, including the use of signage, public messaging, or targeted outreach.	Councillor Laura Doherty, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Bailie Christy Mearns	Following the motion at April's Full Council meeting, to ask the Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations for an update on safeguarding the future of Trongate 103, including engagement with tenants, moving the building management out of City Property's portfolio, and the development and timescales for the new 'Culture and Creative Industry Property Support Fund'.	Bailie Annette Christie, City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations
Councillor Lana Reid-McConnell	To ask the Convener for Health, Care and Caring and Older People for an update on plans to hold a cross-sector Mental	Councillor Chris Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care and Caring and Older People

	Health summit, as agreed unanimously at the December 2025 Full Council meeting.	
Bailie Christy Mearns	To ask the relevant City Convener for an update on developing plans for pedestrianising the city centre.	Councillor Angus Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Transport
Bailie Martha Wardrop	To ask the relevant City Convener what engagement there has been as part of the process to establish a new national housing agency, More Homes Scotland.	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use
Councillor Elaine McSporran	To ask the City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets for an update on our efforts to tackle gambling harms	Councillor Laura Doherty, City Convener for Neighbourhood Services and Assets
Councillor Eva Bolander	To ask the City Convener for Culture, Sport & International Relations does she welcome a public art policy.	Bailie Annette Christie, City Convener for Culture, Sport and International Relations
Councillor Robert Mooney	Can the relevant Convenor advise what assessment has been made of the February 2026 University of Glasgow report “The Price of Bus Delays in Glasgow”, which estimates that congestion on five key bus corridors results in approximately 1.2 million hours of passenger time lost each year, with an associated economic cost of around £24 million per annum, and what steps the Council is taking, or plans	Councillor Angus Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Transport

	to take, to use this evidence to accelerate bus priority and reliability measures on the corridors identified?	
Councillor Malcolm Mitchell	To ask the Leader of the Council for her reaction to Scotstoun being named one of the best places to live in Scotland.	Councillor Susan Aitken, Leader of the Council and Convener for City and City Region Economy and Just Transition
Councillor Allan Gow	To ask the City Treasurer for an update on the Glasgow Futures employability programme?	Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion
Councillor Franny Scally	To ask the City Convener for Housing and Development does he agree that governments and developers should be looking to Glasgow to invest in housing?	Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use
Bailie Christy Mearns	Following the Council's recent response to Transport Scotland's consultation into the future of the M8 Woodside viaduct, will the relevant City Convener commit to writing to the relevant Minister once they are appointed to urge them to pursue the 'remove' option, and offering the Council's full support?	Councillor Angus Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Transport
Bailie Seonad Hoy	Does the relevant city convenor share my concern about the threat of closure affecting the women's service at Murray's Initiative, and will he commit to having urgent talks with the relevant Scottish	Councillor Chris Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care and Caring and Older People

Government minister  
about providing a funding  
package to sustain the  
service until the next  
round of funding opens?

## **Outcome of Scottish Parliament Elections in Glasgow - Emergency motion as adjusted approved, after division**

**9** Councillor Aitken, seconded by Councillor Millar, moved that:-

“Council notes the outcome of the Scottish Parliament elections that took place on 7 May 2026 and warmly congratulates Glasgow City Council colleagues who were elected to represent Scottish constituencies as MSPs. Council notes that, in addition to the election of a fourth consecutive majority of MSPs who believe in the democratic right of the Scottish people to choose their constitutional future in a referendum, all Glasgow constituencies also elected MSPs from parties who support Scottish independence and almost 55% of regional list votes likewise went to independence-supporting parties. Council therefore endorses the statement made by the First Minister that the UK government and Prime Minister must now treat Scotland and the democratically expressed wishes of the Scottish people with respect.

Council expresses its deep concern however that, for the first time, MSPs from a racist far-right party, Reform UK, now represent Glasgow and that many Glaswegians will feel fearful and less safe as a result. Council respects the democratic choice made by the people who voted for this party and understands many of the frustrations that lie behind that choice but does not believe that the policies of Reform UK will do anything to alleviate cost of living pressures, help struggling households or make the UK economy fairer. Council reiterates its unequivocal opposition to the targeting and scapegoating of minority communities, whether they are refugees, migrants or LGBTQ+; rejects UK Reform’s politics of division and hate; and restates our determination that Glasgow be a city built on inclusion and respect, where we stand against discrimination, welcome diversity and work to create a more equal society for all of our residents.

Council believes that Glasgow and Glasgow’s communities have been used as political footballs to an unacceptable degree in recent years and believes that the outcome of this election should mark a return to civic responsibility and pride being placed above party politics. Council agrees that Glasgow voters rejected campaigns that focused on attacking Glasgow and calls on all of Glasgow’s elected politicians, at all levels of government, to champion Glasgow rather than jeopardising investment and our visitor economy by talking the city down; to celebrate Glasgow’s successes; and to acknowledge that the complexity of many of Glasgow’s deep-seated challenges mean that easy solutions are seldom available and that shared, long-term effort to deliver transformation in places and life opportunities is required

Council warmly welcomes commitments for Glasgow made by the First Minister prior to and during the election campaign and looks forward to working with Scottish

Government colleagues to implement pledges including: the roll-out of the £2 bus fare cap to Glasgow during the first 100 days of government; confirmation that the Scottish Government will provide financial support towards the ongoing refurbishment and restoration of the People's Palace and Winter Gardens; commitment to recognise and treat the Clyde Tunnel as a strategic national asset; support for the next crucial phase of planning for the Clyde Metro; opening two additional walk-in GP centres in Glasgow; creating an urban development agency for the city centre, to drive investment and accelerate its ongoing transformation; and legislating to enable the empowerment of Scotland's City and Growth Regions.

Council agrees that the Leader of the Council should write to all of Glasgow's MSPs asking them to ensure that they advocate for swift progress on the delivery of these commitments. Council further agrees that the Leader of the Council and City Treasurer should seek an early meeting with the relevant Cabinet Secretaries to ensure that the new Scottish Government treats as an urgent priority, work started before the election to address the unique homelessness pressures and costs facing Glasgow.

Council further agrees that Glasgow needs considerably improved engagement and support from the UK government on a range of priority issues and hopes that this will be forthcoming now that the election has passed. These issues include: the severe impact of policies that create mass homelessness among new refugees; the substantial resource deficit caused by the design and quantum of the Local Growth Fund; the unequal treatment of the Glasgow City Region and other city regions within devolved administrations compared with English combined mayoral authorities; and commitment by the UK government to support recovery and regeneration following the Union Street fire.

Council agrees to write to the Prime Minister to seek his commitment for the Government to engage sincerely and meaningfully with the Council on these matters; and to Glasgow's MPs, asking that they advocate on behalf of the city to UK Government Ministers."

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

Delete all and please insert:

"Council notes the outcome of the Scottish Parliament elections that took place on 7 May 2026 and warmly congratulates Glasgow City colleagues elected to represent Scottish constituencies as MSPs.

Council believes that the election was about who governs the devolved Scottish Government, and that the next term of the Scottish Parliament should focus on the priorities of the people of Scotland including tackling the cost of living, the economy, jobs, the NHS, homelessness, our education system and ensuring local government is adequately resourced to allow communities to flourish, rather than falter.

Council also expresses concern that representatives from Reform UK have been elected for the first time to the Scottish Parliament, who many Glaswegians consider to hold racist, and far right ideological positions that will cause many to feel less safe

and fearful as a result. Council further does not believe that Reform UK's policies hold any of the solutions that Glasgow needs.

Council reiterates its unequivocal opposition to the targeting and scapegoating of minority communities, whether they are refugees, migrants or LGBTQ+; rejects UK Reform's politics of division and hate; restates our determination that Glasgow and Glasgow's communities have been used as political footballs to an unacceptable degree in recent years and believes that the outcome of this election should mark a return to a civic responsibility and pride being placed above party politics.

Council agrees that all councillors in this chamber want the best for Glasgow, although they may disagree on how to achieve that, and robust scrutiny is an important part of democracy and every elected representatives responsibility.

Council warmly welcomes commitments for Glasgow made by the First Minister prior to and during the election campaign and looks forward to working with Scottish Government colleagues to implement pledges including: the roll-out of the £2 bus fare cap to Glasgow during the first 100 days of government; confirmation that the Scottish Government will provide financial support towards the ongoing refurbishment and restoration of the People's Palace and Winter Gardens; commitment to recognise and treat the Clyde Tunnel as a strategic national asset; support for the next crucial phase of planning for the Clyde Metro; opening two additional walk-in GP centres in Glasgow; creating an urban development agency for the city centre, to drive investment and accelerate its ongoing transformation; and legislating to enable the empowerment of Scotland's City and Growth Regions.

Council agrees that the Leader of the Council should write to all of Glasgow's MSPs asking them to ensure that they advocate for swift progress on the delivery of these commitments. Council further agrees that the Leader of the Council and City Treasurer should seek an early meeting with the relevant Cabinet Secretaries to ensure that the new Scottish Government treats as an urgent priority, work started before the election to address the unique homelessness pressures and costs facing Glasgow.

Council further agrees that Glasgow needs continued engagement with and support from the UK Government on a range of priority issues.

Council agrees to write to the Prime Minister to seek his commitment for the Government to continue to engage sincerely and meaningfully with the Council; and to Glasgow's MPs, asking that they continue to advocate on behalf of the city to UK Government Ministers. "

Councillor Molyneux, seconded by Bailie Wardrop, moved as an amendment that:-

In the first paragraph delete 'and', and after 'MSPs' insert 'and thanks those who have stood down or not been re-elected for their service to the city. Council also thanks the Returning Officer, Elections Office and all staff who contributed to the smooth running of the election.'

In the second paragraph delete from after 'therefore' to end and replace with 'believes it is unacceptable that the UK Government continues to deny Glaswegians a democratic route for achieving that goal.'

Insert new third paragraph, to read:

'Council believes that the election was a comprehensive rejection of the UK Labour Government which has failed to deliver its promise of change and that the Prime Minister must resign.'

Reword following paragraph as follows:

'Council believes that the election result reaffirms Glasgow as an outward-looking, welcoming city, with the share of the vote for right wing and far right parties down from 2021 and that of progressive parties up. Council expresses its deep concern however that, for the first time, MSPs from a racist far-right party, Reform UK, now represent Glasgow and that many Glaswegians will feel fearful and less safe as a result. Council respects the democratic choice made by the people who voted for this party; understands many of the frustrations that lie behind that choice; believes that while it is important to listen to and offer solutions to the actual sources of Reform voters' concerns, that does not mean legitimising those Reform MSPs who have engaged in overtly racist campaigning and tried to whip-up division; and further does not believe that the policies of Reform UK will do anything to alleviate cost of living pressures, help struggling households or make the UK economy fairer. In particular, Council condemns Reform's purported policy of placing migrant detention camps in Glasgow constituencies which elect progressive representatives, believing this was an attempt to mislead and scare Glaswegians. Council reiterates its unequivocal opposition to the targeting and scapegoating of minority communities, whether they are refugees, migrants or LGBTQ+; rejects UK Reform's politics of division and hate; and restates our determination that Glasgow be a city built on inclusion and respect, where we stand against discrimination, welcome diversity and work to create a more equal society for all of our residents.'

Insert new fifth paragraph, to read:

'Council is concerned by the growing threat to democracy posed by spoiler parties, including Independent Green Voice (IGV) and others. IGV did no campaigning yet received almost 3,000 votes in Glasgow, almost certainly as a result of deliberate voter confusion. Council agrees to write to the Electoral Commission asking that they undertake an urgent investigation into IGV and other spoiler parties and urges them to take swift action to end any further risk of voter confusion. Council is also concerned that turnout was down on other Scottish Parliament elections and therefore requests that the Convener for Open Government engages with relevant partners to consider what more can be done to encourage democratic engagement ahead of next year's council elections.'

In the penultimate paragraph, after Growth Regions; insert:

'delivering rent controls, expanding free bus travel and a major expansion of funded childcare. Council also requests further detail on how the Scottish Government will

increase the powers and resources available to Glasgow City Council so we can better support and empower our communities and instructs the Chief Executive to write to the next First Minister asking them to set out how their Government will deliver the progress Glasgow voted for.'

Councillor Aitken, with the approval of her seconder, accepted the amendment by Councillor Molyneux, resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

Council notes the outcome of the Scottish Parliament elections that took place on 7 May 2026; warmly congratulates Glasgow City Council colleagues who were elected to represent Scottish constituencies as MSPs; and thanks those who have stood down or not been re-elected for their service to the city. Council also thanks the Returning Officer, Elections Office and all staff who contributed to the smooth running of the election.

Council notes that, in addition to the election of a fourth consecutive majority of MSPs who believe in the democratic right of the Scottish people to choose their constitutional future in a referendum, all Glasgow constituencies also elected MSPs from parties who support Scottish independence and almost 55% of regional list votes likewise went to independence-supporting parties. Council therefore believes it is unacceptable that the UK Government continues to deny Glaswegians a democratic route for achieving that goal.

Council believes that the election was a comprehensive rejection of the UK Labour Government which has failed to deliver its promise of change and that the Prime Minister must resign.

Council believes that the election result reaffirms Glasgow as an outward-looking, welcoming city, with the share of the vote for right wing and far right parties down from 2021 and that of progressive parties up. Council expresses its deep concern however that, for the first time, MSPs from a racist far-right party, Reform UK, now represent Glasgow and that many Glaswegians will feel fearful and less safe as a result. Council respects the democratic choice made by the people who voted for this party; understands many of the frustrations that lie behind that choice; believes that while it is important to listen to and offer solutions to the actual sources of Reform voters' concerns, that does not mean legitimising those Reform MSPs who have engaged in overtly racist campaigning and tried to whip-up division; and further does not believe that the policies of Reform UK will do anything to alleviate cost of living pressures, help struggling households or make the UK economy fairer. In particular, Council condemns Reform's purported policy of placing migrant detention camps in Glasgow constituencies which elect progressive representatives, believing this was an attempt to mislead and scare Glaswegians. Council reiterates its unequivocal opposition to the targeting and scapegoating of minority communities, whether they are refugees, migrants or LGBTQ+; rejects UK Reform's politics of division and hate; and restates our determination that Glasgow be a city built on inclusion and respect, where we stand against discrimination, welcome diversity and work to create a more equal society for all of our residents.

Council is also concerned that turnout was down on other Scottish Parliament elections and therefore requests that the Convener for Open Government engages

with relevant partners to consider what more can be done to encourage democratic engagement ahead of next year's council elections. Council is further concerned that the far right spoiler party Independent Green Voice was one example of an attempt to cause deliberate voter confusion. Council agrees to write to the Electoral Commission asking that they undertake an urgent investigation into IGV and other spoiler parties and urges them to take swift action to end any further risk of voter confusion. Council is also concerned that turnout was down on other Scottish Parliament elections and therefore requests that the Convener for Open Government engages with relevant partners to consider what more can be done to encourage democratic engagement ahead of next year's council elections.

Council believes that Glasgow and Glasgow's communities have been used as political footballs to an unacceptable degree in recent years and believes that the outcome of this election should mark a return to civic responsibility and pride being placed above party politics. Council agrees that Glasgow voters rejected campaigns that focused on attacking Glasgow and calls on all of Glasgow's elected politicians, at all levels of government, to champion Glasgow rather than jeopardising investment and our visitor economy by talking the city down; to celebrate Glasgow's successes; and to acknowledge that the complexity of many of Glasgow's deep-seated challenges mean that easy solutions are seldom available and that shared, long-term effort to deliver transformation in places and life opportunities is required.

Council warmly welcomes commitments for Glasgow made by the First Minister prior to and during the election campaign and looks forward to working with Scottish Government colleagues to implement pledges including: the roll-out of the £2 bus fare cap to Glasgow during the first 100 days of government; confirmation that the Scottish Government will provide financial support towards the ongoing refurbishment and restoration of the People's Palace and Winter Gardens; commitment to recognise and treat the Clyde Tunnel as a strategic national asset; support for the next crucial phase of planning for the Clyde Metro; opening two additional walk-in GP centres in Glasgow; creating an urban development agency for the city centre, to drive investment and accelerate its ongoing transformation; legislating to enable the empowerment of Scotland's City and Growth Regions; delivering rent controls, expanding free bus travel and a major expansion of funded childcare. Council also requests further detail on how the Scottish Government will increase the powers and resources available to Glasgow City Council so we can better support and empower our communities and instructs the Chief Executive to write to the next First Minister asking them to set out how their Government will deliver the progress Glasgow voted for. Council further agrees to request that the Leader of the Council should write to all of Glasgow's MSPs asking them to ensure that they advocate for swift progress on the delivery of these commitments. Council further agrees that the Leader of the Council, Chief Executive and City Treasurer should seek an early meeting with the relevant Cabinet Secretaries and officials to ensure that the new Scottish Government treats as an urgent priority, work started before the election to address the unique homelessness pressures and costs facing Glasgow.

Council further agrees that Glasgow needs considerably improved engagement and support from the UK government on a range of priority issues and hopes that this will be forthcoming now that the election has passed. These issues include: the severe

impact of policies that create mass homelessness among new refugees; the substantial resource deficit caused by the design and quantum of the Local Growth Fund; the unequal treatment of the Glasgow City Region and other city regions within devolved administrations compared with English combined mayoral authorities; and commitment by the UK government to support recovery and regeneration following the Union Street fire. Council agrees to write to the Prime Minister to seek his commitment for the Government to engage sincerely and meaningfully with the Council on these matters; and to Glasgow's MPs, asking that they advocate on behalf of the city to UK Government Ministers."

On a vote being taken electronically and by calling the roll, 28 voted for the amendment and 41 for the motion as adjusted, with 1 abstention.

The motion as adjusted was accordingly declared to be carried.

### **Adjournment.**

**10** In terms of Standing Order No 17, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1250 hours until 1400 hours.

### **Resumption of meeting.**

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

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

JAMES ADAMS	STEPHEN DORNAN	ANNE MCTAGGART
SUSAN AITKEN	SEAN FERGUSON	LEÒDHAS MASSIE
IMRAN ALAM	MARIE GARRITY	CHRISTY MEARNES
BLAIR ANDERSON	ALLAN GOW	ANGUS MILLAR
KEN ANDREW	WILLIAM GRAHAM	MALCOLM MITCHELL
ALEXANDER BELIC	SHARON GREER	JON MOLYNEUX
RICHARD BELL	GREG HEPBURN	ROBERT MOONEY
DECLAN BLENCH	FIONA HIGGINS	MARGARET MORGAN
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LAURA DOHERTY	ELAINE MCSPORRAN	

Apologies: Bill Butler and Frank McAveety.

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.

### **Glasgow's European Future: Rebuilding our future in Europe - Motion as adjusted approved, after division.**

**12** Bailie Christie, seconded by Councillor Bell, moved that:-

“Council notes that Glasgow is a proudly outward-looking, international and European city, with deep cultural, economic, social and educational links to cities, regions and communities across Europe. Council further notes that since the UK left the European Union, against the clearly expressed will of the people of Scotland and Glasgow, Brexit has caused significant and well-documented economic, social and democratic harm to Glasgow, Scotland and the wider UK economy, including:

- higher costs for households including food and energy,
- damage to trade and export-focused sectors,
- labour shortages across key industries,
- worsening community relations,
- and reduced opportunities for young people, artists, businesses and universities.

Council agrees that Brexit has “deep damage to our economy”, with estimates placing the loss to the UK economy as high as 8% of GDP and up to £90 billion in lost annual tax revenues, money that could otherwise have supported public services such as health, transport and local government.

Council further agrees that recent international developments have underlined the importance of solidarity, peace and shared democratic values in Europe, and that closer partnership with European neighbours strengthens economic resilience, security and cooperation in an increasingly unstable global context.

Council acknowledges and commends that its previous advocacy regarding a UK-EU reset, especially rejoining of the Erasmus+ programme has proven successful, and the return of the Erasmus+ programme from 2027 will benefit an estimated 100,000 participants in the first year, expanding horizons for young people and rebuild cultural, educational and professional links, and, that this highlights both the demand

for and the benefits of European cooperation, while underlining the wider spectrum of opportunities — in research, trade, climate action and regional development.

Council further acknowledges the harm of Brexit specifically impacting the cultural and creative sector which has lost an estimated €184 million since exiting Creative Europe and that the UK Government must prioritise joining the €8.58 billion AgoraEU, an integrated fund designed to support culture, media, and civil society which merges the previous Creative Europe within it.

Council notes that whilst the current UK Government policy seeks closer alignment with EU rules, however, Council agrees with the think tank 'UK in a Changing Europe' that Labour's position betrays inherent contradictions in its vision and without full participation, representation or voting rights, leaving the UK — and Scotland — without a democratic voice at the table and that critics argue it could amount to "integration with the EU by stealth", without the voting or veto rights conferred by membership of the bloc.

Council further notes that public opinion across the UK is increasingly supportive of a closer relationship with the European Union, with a clear majority of voters now supporting re-joining the EU rather than pursuing limited or "half-way" arrangements and that membership of the EU would give the UK decision making - as opposed to 'decision shaping - rights over EU regulations.

Council believes that Glasgow's future prosperity, security and social wellbeing are best served by the closest possible relationship with the European Union; that alignment with European standards and cooperation without representation risks leaving the UK as a permanent "rule-taker" rather than a partner with a voice, influence and vote; that re-joining the European Union represents the most stable, democratic and economically beneficial long-term settlement for Glasgow, Scotland and the UK, and that rebuilding relations with Europe is not about returning to the divisions of the past, but about learning from the damage of Brexit and acting pragmatically in the national, regional and local interest.

Council therefore resolves:

1. To reaffirm Glasgow City Council's long-standing support for re-joining the European Union as the best long-term outcome for Glasgow's economy, workforce, communities and young people.
2. To welcome efforts by the UK Government to rebuild relationships with the European Union and to encourage those efforts to go further and faster, moving beyond limited alignment towards full partnership.
3. To support calls for ambition and honesty in national debate on Europe, recognising that closer cooperation, security and prosperity require democratic participation and representation, not "integration by stealth".
4. To celebrate and strengthen Glasgow's existing European links through city partnerships, cultural networks, education, research, tourism and business collaboration.

5. To plan for wider European integration and bring together an Officer Working Group overseen by the City Convener for Culture, Sport & International Relations to investigate and capitalise on European funding and partnership opportunities, using this as an opportunity to mobilise wider city and regional engagement.
6. To instruct the Chief Executive to work with the City Convener for Culture, Sport & International Relations and Glasgow Life to organise an event with the British Council, UK Global Learning Association for Schools welcoming the return of Erasmus+ and raise awareness of this to schools, youth and support groups; adult, further and higher education and others; of the UK re-entry to the EU programme and the opportunities through the 2027-28 £570 million fund for study, training, work and skills development.
7. To instruct the Chief Executive to continue engaging with European networks like Eurocities, local authorities and institutions, ensuring Glasgow remains visible, active and influential within European civic life and bring an annual report to the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee by August 2026. Also instructs the Chief Executive to write to the UK Government, the Scottish Government, local Glasgow MPs and MSPs, expressing this Council's support for rebuilding the UK–EU relationship

Council believes that re-joining the European Union as an independent Scottish nation is an act of economic common sense, international cooperation and democratic renewal.”

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

In first paragraph after “communities across Europe”, delete the rest of this paragraph.

Remove the paragraph beginning “Council agrees that Brexit” and insert a new paragraph, which should read as:

“As characterised by Keir Starmer, Council agrees that Brexit has done “deep damage to our economy.”

In the next paragraph, remove “solidarity, peace and shared democratic values in Europe”. In the same paragraph remove “European” so that sentence should now read as: “closer partnership with neighbours strengthens economic resilience”

Delete the paragraph beginning with “Council notes that whilst the current UK Government policy seeks closer alignment with EU rules” and insert new paragraph, which should read as:

“Council notes that the UK Government has indicated an intention to pursue closer cooperation and alignment with the European Union in areas of mutual interest.”

Remove the next paragraph beginning with “Council further notes that public opinion across the UK”

In the next paragraph after “European Union” delete the rest of this paragraph and then insert a new sentence, which should read as:

“Council therefore agrees to continue supporting and expanding practical cooperation with European partners in areas such as culture, education skills, research, climate action and economic development, where doing so delivers tangible benefits for the people of Glasgow.”

In the resolves to section, please delete resolution one, three and seven.

In resolution five, delete “plan for wider European integration and bring together an” and also remove “European” and insert “create an” and “international. Resolution five should now read as:

“To create an Officer Working Group overseen by the City Convener for Culture, Sport & International Relations to investigate and capitalise on international funding and partnership opportunities, using this as an opportunity to mobilise wider city and regional engagement.”

Please delete: “Council believes that rejoining the European Union as an independent Scottish nation is an act of economic common sense, international cooperation and democratic renewal.”

Councillor Anderson, seconded by Councillor Molyneux, moved as an amendment that:-

In paragraph five, after “in research, trade, climate action and regional development”, insert:

“Council believes that children and young people particularly benefit from experiences of travel and international educational exchange which broadens their worldview and instils appreciation for diversity from a young age. Council recalls the report on International Education & Turing Funding heard at Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee in January 2025 and notes the opportunities that this funding provided to young people in Glasgow who may not otherwise have had the opportunity to experience international travel.”

In the bulleted list of resolutions, after resolution seven ending “expressing this Council’s support for rebuilding the UK-EU relationship”, add additional bullet point:

“8. To instruct the Executive Director of Education to engage with UK and Scottish Governments and colleagues within Glasgow City Council to identify further funding streams to enable more children and young people in Glasgow to experience international travel and education for the first time, and to bring a future report to the Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee detailing how the Council is taking forward work on international education.”

Bailie Christie, with the approval of her seconder, accepted the amendment by Councillor Anderson, resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

“Council notes that Glasgow is a proudly outward looking, international and European city, with deep cultural, economic, social and educational links to cities, regions and communities across Europe. Council further notes that since the UK left the European Union, against the clearly expressed will of the people of Scotland and Glasgow, Brexit has caused significant and well documented economic, social and democratic harm to Glasgow, Scotland and the wider UK economy, including:

- higher costs for households including food and energy,
- damage to trade and export focused sectors,
- labour shortages across key industries,
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- and reduced opportunities for young people, artists, businesses and universities.

Council agrees that Brexit has "deep damage to our economy", with estimates placing the loss to the UK economy as high as 8% of GDP and up to £90 billion in lost annual tax revenues, money that could otherwise have supported public services such as health, transport and local government.

Council further agrees that recent international developments have underlined the importance of solidarity, peace and shared democratic values in Europe, and that closer partnership with European neighbours strengthens economic resilience, security and cooperation in an increasingly unstable global context.

Council acknowledges and commends that its previous advocacy regarding a UK-EU reset, especially rejoining of the Erasmus+ programme has proven successful, and the return of the Erasmus+ programme from 2027 will benefit an estimated 100,000 participants in the first year, expanding horizons for young people and rebuild cultural, educational and professional links, and, that this highlights both the demand for and the benefits of European cooperation, while underlining the wider spectrum of opportunities - in research, trade, climate action and regional development.

Council believes that children and young people particularly benefit from experiences of travel and international educational exchange which broadens their worldview and instils appreciation for diversity from a young age. Council recalls the report on International Education & Turing Funding heard at Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee in January 2025 and notes the opportunities that this funding provided to young people in Glasgow who may not otherwise have had the opportunity to experience international travel.

Council further acknowledges the harm of Brexit specifically impacting the cultural and creative sector which has lost an estimated €184 million since exiting Creative Europe and that the UK Government must prioritise joining the €8.58 billion AgoraEU, an integrated fund designed to support culture, media, and civil society which merges the previous Creative Europe within it.

Council notes that whilst the current UK Government policy seeks closer alignment with EU rules, however, Council agrees with the think tank 'UK in a Changing

Europe' that Labour's position betrays inherent contradictions in its vision and without full participation, representation or voting rights, leaving the UK - and Scotland -without a democratic voice at the table and that critics argue it could amount to "integration with the EU by stealth", without the voting or veto rights conferred by membership of the bloc.

Council further notes that public opinion across the UK is increasingly supportive of a closer relationship with the European Union, with a clear majority of voters now supporting re-joining the EU rather than pursuing limited or "half way" arrangements and that membership of the EU would give the UK decision making - as opposed to 'decision shaping - rights over EU regulations.

Council believes that Glasgow's future prosperity, security and social wellbeing are best served by the closest possible relationship with the European Union; that alignment with European standards and cooperation without representation risks leaving the UK as a permanent "rule taker" rather than a partner with a voice, influence and vote; that rejoining the European Union represents the most stable, democratic and economically beneficial long term settlement for Glasgow, Scotland and the UK, and that rebuilding relations with Europe is not about returning to the divisions of the past, but about learning from the damage of Brexit and acting pragmatically in the national, regional and local interest.

Council therefore resolves:

1. To reaffirm Glasgow City Council's long-standing support for rejoining the European Union as the best long term outcome for Glasgow's economy, workforce, communities and young people.
2. To welcome efforts by the UK Government to rebuild relationships with the European Union and to encourage those efforts to go further and faster, moving beyond limited alignment towards full partnership.
3. To support calls for ambition and honesty in national debate on Europe, recognising that closer cooperation, security and prosperity require democratic participation and representation, not "integration by stealth".
4. To celebrate and strengthen Glasgow's existing European links through city partnerships, cultural networks, education, research, tourism and business collaboration.
5. To plan for wider European integration and bring together an Officer Working Group overseen by the City Convener for Culture, Sport & International Relations to investigate and capitalise on European funding and partnership opportunities, using this as an opportunity to mobilise wider city and regional engagement.
6. To instruct the Chief Executive to work with the City Convener for Culture, Sport & International Relations and Glasgow Life to organise an event with the British Council, UK Global Learning Association for Schools welcoming the return of Erasmus+ and raise awareness of this to schools, youth and

support groups; adult, further and higher education and others; of the UK re-entry to the EU programme and the opportunities through the 2027-28 £570 million fund for study, training, work and skills development.

7. To instruct the Chief Executive to continue engaging with European networks like Eurocities, local authorities and institutions, ensuring Glasgow remains visible, active and influential within European civic life and bring an annual report to the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee by August 2026. Also instructs the Chief Executive to write to the UK Government, the Scottish Government, local Glasgow MPs and MSPs, expressing this Council's support for rebuilding the UK-EU relationship.
8. To request the City Convener for Education and Early Years write to both the UK and Scottish Government's highlighting how Glasgow's Education Service has continued to promote the benefits of international educational connections and the life changing opportunities they create, and the Erasmus + fund must be continued beyond the 2027/28 academic year.

On a vote being taken electronically and by calling the roll, 27 voted for the amendment and 42 for the motion as adjusted, with 1 abstention.

The motion as adjusted was accordingly declared to be carried.

### **Freedom of the City – The Royal Regiment of Scotland - Motion dealt with, after division.**

**13** Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Stephen Docherty moved that:-

“Council notes that The Royal Regiment of Scotland, formed on 28 March 2006, is the senior line infantry regiment of the British Army and the only remaining Scottish line infantry regiment. The Regiment draws on more than 390 years of continuous service through its antecedent regiments, including The Royal Scots Fusiliers and The Highland Light Infantry (City of Glasgow Regiment). Council further notes that in 1959 the Freedom of the City and Royal Burgh of Glasgow was conferred on the Royal Highland Fusiliers (Princess Margaret's Own Glasgow and Ayrshire Regiment), whose lineage continues today through the 2nd and 6th Battalions of The Royal Regiment of Scotland.

Council acknowledges the long and distinguished record of service of the Regiment and its antecedents, whose soldiers have served with dedication and professionalism in operations at home and overseas, and whose sacrifices have included the loss of life and life-changing injury. Council expresses its gratitude to all who have served and continue to serve.

Council recognises the deep and enduring links between the Regiment and the City of Glasgow. Many Glaswegians serve within SCOTS battalions and many veterans reside across our communities. Council also recognises the significant civic and community role played by 6 SCOTS, Glasgow's local Army Reserve battalion,

including its leadership in City Remembrance commemorations, strong presence in Maryhill, work with youth and community organisations, and partnership support to local employers and Covenant signatories. Council further acknowledges the contribution made by 6 SCOTS to the regeneration of Petershill Sports Pitches during the Covid-19 recovery period.

Council believes that the historic, civic, and contemporary connections between Glasgow and The Royal Regiment of Scotland merit formal recognition by the City. Council therefore resolves to confer the Freedom of the City of Glasgow upon The Royal Regiment of Scotland during its twentieth anniversary year, with the ceremony to take place between 28 March 2026/27, in recognition of its historic ties, valued community engagement, and distinguished service.

Council will put in place the necessary arrangements for a Freedom of the City ceremony and to engage with the Regiment on an appropriate date and programme of events.”

Bailie MacLeod, seconded by Councillor Blench, moved as an amendment that:-

In Paragraph 1 after ‘2nd and 6th Battalions of The Royal Regiment of Scotland.’  
ADD:

Council regrets the amalgamation of these regiments, with their strong historic links to the City of Glasgow, into a Royal Regiment of Scotland as a result of austerity measures at the time.”

Between Paragraphs 3 & 4 ADD:

“As a result of these deep & enduring links, Council notes that that recruitment into the British Army from Scotland has fallen by 41% over the last decade; further noting that half of Glasgow constituencies reported zero untrained intake into the British Army from the decade before 2024 according to figures released last year by the Times newspaper; and while there has been a fall across the board which has left the British Army strength at its lowest level since the Napoleonic Wars, Council notes that this trend is more marked in Scotland than it is elsewhere on these islands.

Council therefore hopes that any recognition of the contribution of the Royal Regiment of Scotland to the City can lead to a renewed focus on improving the offer for serving personnel; notes that the UK Armed Forces spends less per capita on its personnel than comparable militaries across Europe; hopes that any putative increase in the defence budget by the current UK Government will also have a commensurate uplift in the pay & conditions for enlisted personnel; and hopes for the creation of an Armed Forces Representative Body, similar to a trade union and responsible for improving personnel welfare.”

After ‘during the Covid 19 recovery period.’ DELETE ALL AND REPLACE

“Council notes that while the ultimate bestowal of Freedom of the City is a matter for Council, it is usually to be expected that this is done with the cooperation of the Lord Provost, who is also ex-officio Lord Lieutenant of the City.

Council further believes that, while there may be precedent, the bestowing of our City's highest honour upon an organisation, as opposed to an individual or groups of people, is inherently problematic to tie the City of Glasgow in perpetuity to another organisation over which it has no control or oversight. Council therefore puts on record its belief that future conferences of the Freedom of the City do not include organisations and is instead restricted to individuals or groups of people.

Council puts on record that this is not a reflection of the Royal Regiment of Scotland or the personnel who serve as part of it and hopes that it can work with them to acknowledge this milestone in a more appropriate way."

Councillor Molyneux, seconded by Bailie Carroll, moved as an amendment that:-

Replace paragraph 2 with:

"Council acknowledges the long and distinguished record of service of the Regiment and its antecedents, whose soldiers have often served with dedication and professionalism in operations at home and overseas, and may have suffered loss of life, life-changing injuries and whose experience of conflict operations may have resulted in PTSD, complex trauma, mental ill-health and addictions. Council expresses its gratitude to those who have served and continue to serve and those who support them. Council recognises that the army has traditionally recruited most heavily from deprived communities and that many recruits have experienced family breakdown and other adverse experiences prior to enlisting and therefore may have needs which require to be met on an ongoing basis.

In paragraph 4, after "Royal Regiment of Scotland", delete all until the end of the motion and replace with:

"are worthy of noting and requests that the Lord Provost consider how this may be achieved."

During the debate Bailie MacLeod and Councillor Molyneux, with the approval of their seconders, agreed to combine their amendments resulting in the following adjusted amendment:-

"Council notes that The Royal Regiment of Scotland, formed on 28th March 2006, is the senior line infantry regiment of the British Army and the only remaining Scottish line infantry regiment. The Regiment draws on more than 390 years of continuous service through its antecedent regiments, including The Royal Scots Fusiliers and The Highland Light Infantry (City of Glasgow Regiment). Council further notes that in 1959 the Freedom of the City and Royal Burgh of Glasgow was conferred on the Royal Highland Fusiliers (Princess Margaret's Own Glasgow and Ayrshire Regiment), whose lineage continues today through the 2nd and 6th Battalions of The Royal Regiment of Scotland. Council regrets the amalgamation of these regiments, with their strong historic links to the City of Glasgow, into a Royal Regiment of Scotland as a result of austerity measures at the time.

Council acknowledges the long and distinguished record of service of the Regiment and its antecedents, whose soldiers have often served with dedication and professionalism in operations at home and overseas, and may have suffered loss of life, life-changing injuries and whose experience of conflict operations may have resulted in PTSD, complex trauma, mental ill-health and addictions. Council expresses its gratitude to those who have served and continue to serve and those who support them.

Council recognises the deep and enduring links between the Regiment and the City of Glasgow. Many Glaswegians serve within SCOTS battalions and many veterans reside across our communities. Council also recognises the significant civic and community role played by 6 SCOTS, Glasgow's local Army Reserve battalion, including its leadership in City Remembrance commemorations, strong presence in Maryhill, work with youth and community organisations, and partnership support to local employers and Covenant signatories. Council further acknowledges the contribution made by 6 SCOTS to the regeneration of Petershill Sports Pitches during the Covid-19 recovery period.

As a result of these deep & enduring links, Council notes that that recruitment into the British Army from Scotland has fallen by 41% over the last decade; further noting that half of Glasgow constituencies reported zero untrained intake into the British Army from the decade before 2024 according to figures released last year by the Times newspaper; and while there has been a fall across the board which has left the British Army strength at its lowest level since the Napoleonic Wars, Council notes that this trend is more marked in Scotland than it is elsewhere on these islands

Council therefore hopes that any recognition of the contribution of the Royal Regiment of Scotland to the City can lead to a renewed focus on improving the offer for serving personnel; notes that the UK Armed Forces spends less per capita on its personnel than comparable militaries across Europe; hopes that any putative increase in the defence budget by the current UK Government will also have a commensurate uplift in the pay & conditions for enlisted personnel; and hopes for the creation of an Armed Forces Representative Body, similar to a trade union and responsible for improving personnel welfare.

Council notes that while the ultimate bestowal of Freedom of the City is a matter for Council, it is usually to be expected that this is done with the cooperation of the Lord Provost, who is also ex-officio Lord Lieutenant of the City.

Council further believes that, while there may be precedent, the bestowing of our City's highest honour upon an organisation, as opposed to an individual or groups of people, is inherently problematic to tie the City of Glasgow in perpetuity to another organisation over which it has no control or oversight. Council therefore puts on record its belief that future conferences of the Freedom of the City do not include organisations and is instead restricted to individuals or groups of people.

Council puts on record that this is not a reflection of the Royal Regiment of Scotland or the personnel who serve as part of it and hopes that it can work with them to acknowledge this milestone in a more appropriate way."

On a vote being taken electronically and by calling the roll, 39 voted for the amendment as adjusted and 28 for the motion, with 1 abstention.

The amendment as adjusted was accordingly declared to be carried.

### **Proportional Representation for Westminster and Holyrood Elections – Motion as adjusted approved, after division.**

**14** Bailie Carroll, seconded by Bailie Wardrop moved that:-

“Council recognises the inequality in our UK voting system, which elects through a First Past the Post (FPTP) system. FPTP originated when land-owning aristocrats dominated parliament and voting was restricted to property-owning men.

Council notes that in Europe, only the UK and authoritarian Belarus still use single-round FPTP for general elections to their national parliaments. Internationally, Proportional Representation (PR) is used to elect the parliaments of more than 80 countries. These countries tend to produce more equitable, stable, and accountable governments.

PR ensures all votes count, have equal value, and that seats won match votes cast. Under PR, MPs and Parliaments better reflect the age, gender and protected characteristics of both local communities and of the nation.

Council recognises that PR is currently used to elect the Welsh Senedd and Northern Ireland Assembly, as well as local councillors in Scotland. Council notes that the Scottish Parliament is only partially elected through a PR system, with the D'Hondt method.

Council also notes that as more people feel represented through a wider spectrum of voices elected through PR, disenfranchisement is reduced, as well as skewed results such as majority-rule of the UK Government on 33% of the vote in 2024, and 36% in 2015.

Such unrepresentative results have led to consequential policy changes with limited public support, including upon the democratic process. Council notes the Electoral Commission's data which detailed that 16,000 people were denied the right to vote due to incorrect voter ID at the 2024 UK General Election, with 4% of people polled post-election not voting due to Voter-ID requirements. Council expresses its opposition to the UK Government's policy of mandatory voter photo ID and the detrimental effect it has on voter turnout, especially in more marginalised communities, for an electoral process that already disenfranchises many through its voting system.

Council echoes the call for proportional representation for elections to the House of Commons which has been made by Trade Unions such as Unite, UNISON, and the CWU, and which was passed overwhelmingly by the Labour Party's 2022 Conference, and supported by the SNP, Scottish Greens, Reform, and other political

parties within the UK.

Council supports moving towards a fully proportional system for Scottish Parliament elections, in the same spirit that the Welsh Senedd has.

Therefore, Council requests the Convener for Open Government writes to the Minister for the Cabinet Office urging support for fairer UK Elections, through amending the Representation of the People Bill to introduce a proportional representation system of voting for UK Elections, and reversing the restrictions put upon voters by the introduction of mandatory voter ID.

Council additionally requests the Convener for Open Government write to the new Minister for Parliamentary Business in the Scottish Government to request that similar preparatory work begins to make the election system for the Scottish Parliament wholly proportional.

Council will also instruct the Council Election Office to investigate opportunities to enhance awareness of the new Voter ID requirements and to maximise uptake of postal ballot applications from as many people as possible who may otherwise be disenfranchised by the new voter ID law in future Westminster elections.”

Councillor Hepburn, seconded by Councillor Mitchell moved as an amendment that:-

In paragraph 6 AFTER ‘already disenfranchises many through its voting system.’  
ADD

“Council hopes that in addition to measures to improve the proportionality of elections in the UK, that this session of the Scottish Parliament continues to seek ways to increase voter turnout and participation, and notes the decision of this Council on 3rd April 2025 regarding Automatic Voter Registration.

In paragraph 10 AFTER ‘make the election system for the Scottish Parliament wholly proportional’ ADD

‘And to provide an update on Glasgow City Council’s request for an Automatic Voter ID pilot within the City.’

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

In first paragraph, delete all after “Council recognises” and insert:

“that there is an active and ongoing public debate about how different electoral systems translate votes into seats.”

In the following paragraph, remove “in Europe, only the UK and authoritarian Belarus still use single round FPTP” and please also delete “Internationally, Proportional Representation (PR) is used to elect the parliaments of more than 80 countries. These countries tend to produce more equitable, stable, and accountable governments.”

After “Council notes that”, please insert “a range of electoral systems operate internationally”.

This paragraph should now read as follows:

“Council notes that a range of electoral systems operate internationally for general elections to their national parliaments.”

Please delete the paragraph beginning with “PR ensures all votes count.”

After “D’Hondt method” please insert new paragraph, which should read as follows:

“Council further notes that proportional electoral systems for devolved institutions in the UK, including elections to the Scottish Parliament, the Welsh Senedd and the Northern Irish Assembly, were introduced through legislation passed by a UK Labour Government as part of wider constitutional and democratic reform.”

In the subsequent paragraph, after “Council also notes” delete the rest of this paragraph and insert “levels of public confidence and engagement with democratic processes vary, and that perceptions of fairness and representation can influence voter participation.”

In the following paragraph, please remove: “Such unrepresentative results have led to consequential policy changes with limited public support, including upon the democratic process.” In the same paragraph, after “due to Voter-ID requirements” please insert: “Council notes that the UK Government has committed to reviewing voter ID requirements in light of evidence from recent elections, particularly their impact on voter participation.” Thereafter, please delete the rest of this paragraph.

In the next paragraph, please delete “echoes the call for proportional representation for elections to the House of Commons have been made”

After the paragraph mentioned above, please delete the remaining paragraphs.

During the debate, Bailie Carroll and Councillor Hepburn, with the agreement of their seconders, agreed to combine their motion and amendment, resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

“Council recognises the inequality in our UK voting system, which elects through a First Past the Post (FPTP) system. FPTP originated when land-owning aristocrats dominated parliament and voting was restricted to property-owning men.

Council notes that in Europe, only the UK and authoritarian Belarus still use single-round FPTP for general elections to their national parliaments. Internationally, Proportional Representation (PR) is used to elect the parliaments of more than 80 countries. These countries tend to produce more equitable, stable, and accountable governments.

PR ensures all votes count, have equal value, and that seats won match votes cast. Under PR, MPs and Parliaments better reflect the age, gender and protected characteristics of both local communities and of the nation.

Council recognises that PR is currently used to elect the Welsh Senedd and Northern Ireland Assembly, as well as local councillors in Scotland. Council notes that the Scottish Parliament is only partially elected through a PR system, with the D'Hondt method.

Council also notes that as more people feel represented through a wider spectrum of voices elected through PR, disenfranchisement is reduced, as well as skewed results such as majority-rule of the UK Government on 33% of the vote in 2024, and 36% in 2015.

Such unrepresentative results have led to consequential policy changes with limited public support, including upon the democratic process. Council notes the Electoral Commission's data which detailed that 16,000 people were denied the right to vote due to incorrect voter ID at the 2024 UK General Election, with 4% of people polled post-election not voting due to Voter-ID requirements. Council expresses its opposition to the UK Government's policy of mandatory voter photo ID and the detrimental effect it has on voter turnout, especially in more marginalised communities, for an electoral process that already disenfranchises many through its voting system. Council hopes that in addition to measures to improve the proportionality of elections in the UK, that this session of the Scottish Parliament continues to seek ways to increase voter turnout and participation, and notes the decision of this Council on 3rd April 2025 regarding Automatic Voter Registration.

Council echoes the call for proportional representation for elections to the House of Commons which has been made by Trade Unions such as Unite, UNISON, and the CWU, and which was passed overwhelmingly by the Labour Party's 2022 Conference, and supported by the SNP, Scottish Greens, Reform, and other political parties within the UK.

Council supports moving towards a fully proportional system for Scottish Parliament elections, in the same spirit that the Welsh Senedd has.

Therefore, Council requests the Convener for Open Government writes to the Minister for the Cabinet Office urging support for fairer UK Elections, through amending the Representation of the People Bill to introduce a proportional representation system of voting for UK Elections, and reversing the restrictions put upon voters by the introduction of mandatory voter ID.

Council additionally requests the Convener for Open Government write to the new Minister for Parliamentary Business in the Scottish Government to request that similar preparatory work begins to make the election system for the Scottish Parliament wholly proportional and to provide an update on Glasgow City Council's request for an Automatic Voter ID pilot within the City.

Council will also instruct the Council Election Office to investigate opportunities to enhance awareness of the new Voter ID requirements and to maximise uptake of postal ballot applications from as many people as possible who may otherwise be disenfranchised by the new voter ID law in future Westminster elections."

On a vote being taken electronically and by calling the roll, 25 voted for the amendment and 41 for the motion as adjusted, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

### **Addressing Glasgow's Homelessness Crisis - Motion dealt with, after division.**

**15** Bailie Hoy, seconded by Councillor Hutchison moved that:-

“Council recalls that it declared a housing emergency in November 2023 due to mounting pressures on homelessness services. More than two years on, that emergency continues to intensify. Council recognises that all options must be considered to provide long-term solutions which will alleviate these pressures and provide a dignified, person-centred process for homeless people, leading to positive outcomes tailored to each individual and family.

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Council agrees that the 2003 stock transfer which ended council housing in Glasgow was a move of privatisation by stealth and has left the city in a much more vulnerable housing position. Council agrees that while it would not be possible for the stock transfer to be undone, initiating the process to reestablish council housing in the city is a positive move towards easing the housing crisis.

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5. Hold a summit with all relevant stakeholders on new methods to provide required services, this should include registered social landlords, both UK and Scottish Governments and all third sector organisations working in this area
6. Write to the Cabinet Secretary with responsibility for local government for an update on the replacement of council tax and when we will see appropriate funding models developed for local authorities.

Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor Casey, moved as an amendment that:-

DELETE all after the 1st paragraph and REPLACE with.

"Council welcomes the 5-year funding settlement for affordable housing delivery from the Scottish Government but acknowledges that the exponential rise in input costs for housing delivery continue to put huge pressures on budgets, resulting in fewer homes being built than the demand requires.

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that homelessness applications in Glasgow have increased by 25% over the last three years, with more than 4,000 households currently in temporary accommodation and up to 1,900 households placed in hotel and bed and breakfast accommodation due to sustained system pressures. Council further notes the strategy's finding that the vast majority of homeless households have low or no support needs and would benefit most from faster access to settled housing in ordinary homes and communities, rather than prolonged stays in unsuitable temporary accommodation.

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Council believes that the declared emergency must be met with emergency action and a greater deal of urgency in a number of areas. These include:

- Homelessness should be addressed as a Scotland-wide and regional challenge rather than disproportionately borne by Glasgow alone. Council supports exploring legislative and policy changes to allow reasonable offers of settled accommodation, and appropriate support, across the wider city region and in areas with available housing capacity. Council believes a more coordinated national approach to homelessness and refugee resettlement would reduce pressure on unsuitable hotel and bed and breakfast accommodation while improving long-term outcomes for homeless households.
- Adequate funding being made available by both governments to support the delivery of their policy choices locally. It is not sustainable for Glaswegian taxpayers alone to shoulder the financial responsibility for policy decisions made at a national level.
- The delivery of housing being the primary deciding factor in planning decisions where there are competing priorities. Recent guidance from the Scottish Government states that, "NPF4 is not designed to require a single policy or issue to tie the hands of decision makers". Council believes this should be interpreted in such a way that allows addressing the housing emergency to be given additional weighting, in particular on brownfield sites.
- Constructive assessment of current input costs into housing and what is necessary versus nice to have in an emergency, where every additional cost means fewer homes, when there is a finite budget available to deliver houses.

Council commends the plan to invest a record £4.9 billion into affordable housing over the next four years, with 100,000 affordable homes, of which will be 70% for

social rent. Further, establishing a More Homes Scotland (MHS) agency 'squarely focused on bringing simplicity, scale and speed to the delivery of homes.' is to be welcomed, and Glasgow stands ready to create more affordable homes at the scale needed to solve our national housing emergency.

This public sector funding will be a strong foundation, but this Council is committed to homes of all types and tenures being built in our city – key to this will be using funding from the Scottish Government and MHS to enable both private sector investment and that from pension funds, including our own Strathclyde Pension Fund, and so Council welcomes the manifesto commitment to develop and progress funding models that 'safeguard the fiduciary duties and long-term interests of pension scheme members; and provide secure, inflation-linked returns appropriate to pension fund investment'.

Council requests that the Convener for Housing and Development along with the Convener for Homelessness engage with the relevant new ministers at the earliest opportunity to outline the steps required to address the housing crisis in our city and how Glasgow can be a willing partner in this mission.

Council further instructs the Chief Executive to write to both the UK and Scottish Government to set out the measures which we believe would enable us to better support the needs of those who are impacted by the housing emergency in Glasgow.”

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

In the second paragraph please remove “stated that there is a systemic failure in the delivery of our services to homeless people” and replace with “highlighted serious and systemic pressures in the delivery of homelessness services”.

Please delete the paragraph beginning with: “Council agrees that the 2003 stock transfer” and insert new paragraph, which should read as:

“Council agrees that expanding the range of delivery mechanisms available to meet housing need should be explored as part of a long-term response to the housing emergency.”

In the following paragraph, please delete “will not be able to provide the amount of homes required by our homelessness projections” and insert:

“is unlikely, on its own, to meet the full level of projected housing demand linked to homelessness, highlighting a significant gap between national investment levels and the scale of housing need faced by Glasgow”.

In the same paragraph, after “more directed” please insert “and sustained”.

In the subsequent paragraph, please remove: “theoretically eases housing lists, it does not alleviate the circumstances of those in need” and insert:

“can play in role in easing pressure for some households”.

After this paragraph, please insert two new paragraphs, which should read as:

“Council further notes that rising construction costs, land values and inflationary pressures have eroded the real-terms impact of national housing investment, meaning that headline funding allocations have not consistently translated into the volume or pace of new affordable homes required on the ground, particularly in Scotland’s largest urban authorities.

Council further notes that current national policy on local connection places disproportionate pressure on a Glasgow, which accepts a significant share of homelessness presentations, services and economic role, without sufficient compensatory funding or flexibility within the system.”

In the next paragraph, please remove “grossly overdue” and replace with: “long-standing and remains unfulfilled”

In the following paragraph, please remove: “who would be considered slum landlords” and replace with: “operating properties that fail to meet acceptable standards.”

In the paragraph beginning “Council acknowledges with regret” please delete “a permanent rent freeze should be established until the level of rent charged in the private and mid-market rent sector sees inflation catch up with the affordability of housing” and insert:

“rent regulation must be effective, proportionate and capable of balancing tenant protection with the continued supply and quality of rented homes.”

In the resolution two, add a final sentence, which should read as follows:

“, including the adequacy of affordable housing funding, the impact of local connection policy, and the pressures facing Scotland’s largest urban authority.”

In resolution five, between “landlords” and “both”, please insert:

“tenant representatives”.

This should now read as:

“Hold a summit with all relevant stakeholders on new methods to provide required services, this should include registered social landlords, tenant representatives, both UK and Scottish Governments and all third sector organisations working in this area.”

Please insert a final resolution, which should read as:

“Seek clarity from the Scottish Government on how future affordable housing investment will be targeted to reflect differing levels of homelessness pressure across local authorities, and how delivery of social rented homes can be accelerated in areas of highest need.”

Bailie Wardrop, seconded by Councillor Lana Reid-McConnell, moved as an amendment that:-

Insert new paragraph after paragraph two ending “...of whom 454 were women.”:

“Council notes that the Integration Joint Board has this month approved its 10-year Homelessness Temporary Accommodation Strategy, which aims to reshape the current model for providing temporary accommodation so that homeless households spend the shortest possible time in temporary accommodation whilst aiming to end the routine use of bed and breakfast accommodation. The successful implementation of this strategy should significantly reduce the numbers of people housed in unsuitable temporary accommodation, as well as reduce the financial pressure on the HSCP caused by homelessness, and the volume of judicial review threats the HSCP receives.

Insert new paragraph after original paragraph eleven ending “...be accepted long term.”:

“Council notes the Scottish Government has provided regulations to enact part 2 of the Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Act 2021 which will enable social landlords to end a perpetrator’s interest in a tenancy so that a survivor of domestic abuse can remain in the family home.”

At the end of original paragraph twelve, after “for women”, add:  
“as well as the specialised Homelessness Emergency Assessment Centre for women at the Chara Centre in Glasgow”.

At the end of original paragraph thirteen, after “bed and breakfast accommodation.”, add:

“Council notes the Affordable Housing Supply Programme is currently funding one modular scheme, at Glenfarg Street with Queens Cross Housing Association. The lessons learned during the construction phase can also inform the Council’s approach to similar potential sites and their suitability for modular construction.”

At the end of bullet point two ending “in the city”, add:

“and the implications for the delivery of the Scottish Government’s Housing Emergency Action Plan”

In bullet point four, replace “Undertake” with “Report”

In bullet point four, between “...undertaken by” and “South Lanarkshire Council...”, insert “Queens Cross Housing Association,”

Add additional bullet point seven at the end:

“7. Write to the Cabinet Secretary with responsibility for Housing and Health and Social Care respectively, to outline steps they will take to provide funding for the new 10 year Homelessness Temporary Accommodation strategy with a particular focus on funding for homelessness prevention and the increase of building and acquisition of social homes, as well as delivery of the necessary legislative changes required to deliver.”

During the debate:-

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On a vote being taken electronically and by calling the roll, 37 voted for the amendment as adjusted and 28 for the motion as adjusted.

The amendment as adjusted, was accordingly declared to be carried.

## **Adjournment.**

**16** 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 8 (e), 8(f) and 8(g).



## **CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

Hybrid meeting, 21st May 2026.

### **City Administration Committee.**

**Present:** Richard Bell (Chair), Ken Andrew (substitute for Ruairi Kelly), Jill Brown, John Carson, Allan Casey, Annette Christie, John Daly, Laura Doherty (substitute for Susan Aitken), Greg Hepburn, Rashid Hussain, Eunis Jassemi (substitute for James Adams), Elaine McDougall, Donna McGill (substitute for Christina Cannon), Elaine McSparran (substitute for Chris Cunningham), Anne McTaggart, Angus Millar, Jon Molyneux, Cecilia O'Lone, Jill Pidgeon (substitute for Robert Mooney), Lana Reid-McConnell, Soryia Siddique, Catherine Vallis and Martha Wardrop.

**Apologies:** James Adams, Susan Aitken, Christina Cannon, Chris Cunningham, Ruairi Kelly and Robert Mooney.

**Attending:** E Rodger (Clerk); 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; and C Davren (for the Executive Director of Education Services).

### **Child and Family Poverty - Proactive outreach programme – Funding awards approved.**

**1** Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding an update on the development and implementation of an outreach programme to activate new data permissions granted by the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) to the Council as part of the Child Poverty Programme and outlined funding received from the Scottish Government to support this proactive outreach, advising

- (1) that Glasgow had been at the forefront of identifying system barriers that limited the effectiveness of public services in addressing child poverty which had been highlighted through the Child Poverty Pathfinder, the subsequent Child Poverty Programme and the development of the city's Local Outcomes Improvement Plan 2024-34;
- (2) that the Scottish Government had commissioned a review of the Improvement Service which had highlighted significant progress in Glasgow's approach to Public Service Reform and child and family poverty, which focused on outcomes, early intervention and prevention and whole-family support;
- (3) that following ongoing work between the Child Poverty Programme, Financial Services and the DWP, the Council had been granted permission to use DWP

household-level data to make direct contact with families identified as living in poverty and provide support, which it had been unable to do in the past;

- (4) of the data that had been identified and the work undertaken in relation to Phase 1 of the programme and that direct proactive engagement enabled the Council and partners to understand family circumstances at an early stage and subsequently respond to need and generate learning to inform future service design, coordination and funding;
- (5) that the Scottish Government had responded positively to the Council's proactive outreach programme, and had made £1m available to support early intervention, subject to agreed conditions; and
- (6) of the conditions which included £650,000 to identify innovative ways to supplement the Glasgow Helps team to deliver the proactive outreach and £350,000 to support Third Sector partners to extend the range of services available to families.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the update on the development and implementation of an outreach programme to activate new data permissions granted by the Department of Work and Pensions to the Council as part of the Child Poverty Programme;
- (b) acknowledged receipt of £1m from the Scottish Government to support proactive outreach and to support third sector support for in scope families; and
- (c) approved the award of £350,000 to Glasgow City Voluntary Sector to coordinate and secure support from Third Sector partners.

### **Govan Ward Demonstration of Change - Child Poverty Programme – Allocation of funding approved.**

**2** With reference to the minutes of 20th June 2024 (Print 3, page 80) approving the creation of a Whole Family Early Intervention Fund (WFEIF) to align the use of specific financial allocations, and the governance arrangements for the Fund, Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion presented a report seeking approval for the commitment of £796,000 from the WFEIF to Govan HELP to act as lead partner to deliver the Govan Ward Demonstration of Change (DoC) as part of the Child Poverty Programme over a 2-year period from 1st June 2026 to May 2028, advising

- (1) that as part of a citywide effort to reduce child poverty, 4 wards namely Calton, Drumchapel, Southside Central and Govan had been identified to pilot the DoC's initiative and that Govan HELP was being proposed to act as lead partner for a place-based, multi-agency initiative designed to tackle child poverty and improve long-term outcomes for families;

- (2) of the evidence that had been gathered based on data, strategic barriers, financial inclusion support, community cohesion and system failure, which would assist in informing the DoC, as detailed in the report;
- (3) that community engagement had been central to the development of the DoC and that the insight gathered had underpinned the programme's whole family approach;
- (4) of the role expected from the lead partner of the Govan DoC as detailed in the report, and of the application and scoring process which had resulted in the unanimous agreement for Govan HELP to act as lead partner and to be allocated a grant award from the WFEIF to deliver the DoC over a 2-year period;
- (5) of how the funding would be administered to Govan HELP to drive the delivery of the DoC for Govan Ward who would subsequently administer funding to community organisations under the governance arrangements that had been reviewed by the Financial Inclusion and Transformation Team who had been satisfied with the measures that had been put in place;
- (6) of the plans for delivery of Phase 1 of the programme following Govan HELP's grant application which had set out the development of a comprehensive plan that directly addressed the needs and barriers that families faced in accessing support services, as detailed in the report; and
- (7) of the aims of the Monitoring and Evaluation Group which would be established with representation from Govan HELP, the Child Poverty Team and performance monitoring colleagues, and that a combination of monitoring reports providing updates on progress and key Public Service Reform insights would be reported through the Council's public service reform governance structures and Glasgow Community Planning Partnership as required.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) endorsed and supported the work undertaken to date;
- (b) approved the allocation of £796,000 to Govan HELP to deliver the Govan Ward DoC; and
- (c) noted that work was now ready to move into the implementation phase, with a clear costed programme and community-backed approach in place.

**Grant funding for assistance to support a new city centre medical practice – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability – Proposals approved, after division.**

**3** Councillor Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery presented a report seeking approval for payment of

£200,000 grant funding to assist in the completion of a fit-out of a new city centre medical practice at the Holland Park Development, advising

- (1) that the grant would be paid to MODA Group, the developer of Holland Park residential development, and that the total cost of the fit-out of £600,000 would be funded through contributions of £200,000 from MODA Group, £200,000 from the Council which would be payable to MODA Group, and £200,000 from the operator;
- (2) that Barclay Medical Practice, who would occupy the new surgery and be the tenant named in the lease agreement with the landlord, held a direct contract with the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde to provide general medical services to its registered patient population;
- (3) that the City Centre Living Strategy (CCLS) set out Glasgow's ambition to grow the city centre population by 2035, thus creating a vibrant, mixed-use, liveable urban district supported by essential services, including health provision;
- (4) that current demand on health services to Barclay City Practice meant that relocation to a modern site was essential to meet existing and future demand, and that its proposed facility model would support between 25,000 to 30,000 patients thus improving quality, access and resilience across the primary care system and supporting the CCLS's population targets, reinforcing its commitment to inclusive, sustainable neighbourhoods, reduce health inequalities and improve access for groups with complex needs;
- (5) of the rationale for awarding grant funding, as detailed in the report; and
- (6) that the financial contribution would support policies set out in the City Development Plan and the City Centre Strategic Development Framework which prioritised and encouraged city centre living.

Councillor Millar, seconded by Councillor Hepburn moved that committee:-

- (a) considers the contents of the report;
- (b) approves the award of funding by way of grant of £200,000 payable to MODA Group for assisting in the fit-out of a new city centre medical practice; and
- (c) authorise the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to approve the grant of £200,000 and enter into the necessary agreements attached to payment of the grant.

Councillor Jassemi, seconded by Councillor Vallis, moved as an amendment that committee:-

- (a) considers the contents of the report;

- (b) notes concern that significant residential growth within Glasgow city centre has not been adequately matched by the forward planning of primary healthcare infrastructure;
- (c) approves the award of funding by way of grant of £200,000 payable to MODA Group for assisting in the fit out of a new city centre medical practice subject to suitable safeguards, clawback provisions and public benefit conditions attached to the proposed grant arrangement;
- (d) authorise the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods Regeneration and Sustainability in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to approve the grant of £200,000 and enter into the necessary agreements attached to payment of the grant; and
- (e) instructs officers to report back to a future meeting of the City Administration Committee on:
  - (i) the projected impact of city centre population growth on GP and primary care capacity;
  - (ii) any other developments where financial support for healthcare infrastructure may be required; and
  - (iii) how future major residential developments can better integrate healthcare infrastructure provision at the planning stage to avoid additional public subsidy requirements.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 9 members voted for the amendment and 14 for the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

### **Glasgow's Climate Plan 2026 - 2030 approved.**

**4** With reference to the minutes of Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee of 14th April 2026 (Print 1, page 72) recommending approval of Glasgow's Climate Plan 2026-2030, Councillor Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery, presented a report on the matter,

- (1) advising
  - (a) that Glasgow's Climate Plan represented a city-wide approach to address the Climate and Ecological Emergency and included a target for the city to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2030;
  - (b) of the main themes that had emerged following the formal consultation that had been conducted between 11th December 2025 and 15th February 2026, following approval by this committee on 4th December

2025 (Print 6, page 93), which had been incorporated into the revised Plan; and

- (c) of the new actions that had been developed as a result of the consultation, as detailed in the report; and
- (2) detailing in the appendices to the report, the Consultation questions, the redrafted Glasgow's Climate Plan 2026 – 2030 and the detailed Climate Action Plan.

After consideration, the committee approved Glasgow's Climate Plan 2026 – 2030 for publication.

## **CITY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

Hybrid meeting, 4th June 2026.

### **City Administration Committee.**

- Present:** Susan Aitken (Chair), Richard Bell, James Adams, Bill Butler (substitute for Jill Brown), John Carson, Allan Casey, Chris Cunningham, Laura Doherty (substitute for Angus Millar), Greg Hepburn, Rashid Hussain, Ruairi Kelly, Paul Leinster (substitute for Annette Christie), Elaine McDougall, Norman MacLeod (substitute for Christina Cannon), Anne McTaggart, Jon Molyneux, Robert Mooney, Cecilia O'Lone, Lana Reid-McConnell, Soryia Siddique, Catherine Vallis and Martha Wardrop.
- Apologies:** Jill Brown, Christina Cannon, Annette Christie, John Daly and Angus Millar.
- Attending:** E Rodger (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, and P Togher, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

### **Draft outturn for 2025/26 approved – Reference to Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.**

- 1** Councillor Bell, Depute Leader of the Council, City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion, presented a report regarding the draft final outturn for 2025/26, advising
- (1) that to conclude the monitoring process for 2025/26, a number of substantive accounting transactions would be required to allow the completion of the Council's annual accounts for the year by the statutory deadline of 30th June 2026;
  - (2) that the monitoring statements throughout the year had adjusted budgets in respect of new monies, operational changes and additional approvals granted and overall there had been a cumulative net budget increase of £79.3m from the original budget;
  - (3) of significant budget changes since period 12, as detailed in the report;
  - (4) that given the profile of expenditure, service commitments would extend into 2026/27 and would be reflected as a reduction in the final budget for 2025/26, with £23.1m being carried forward to 2025/26 to meet the undernoted commitments:-

<i>Service</i>	<i>Total Value</i>	<i>Programme</i>
Chief Executive's Department	£7.1m	Financial Inclusion Employability Economic Development Civic Innovation
Education Services	£6.8m	Digital Counsellors Through Schools Summer Activities Children and Young People Pupil Equity Fund
Financial Services	£4m	Electoral Integrity Programme CBS Support for Financial Inclusion Scottish Welfare Fund FS Change Fund
Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability	£5.2m	Firework Control Zones Local Trees Greening Strategy GP Surgery Project Extended Producer Responsibility Model for Climate Investment

- (5) that together with monies carried forward from previous years, the total earmarked reserves element contained within the General Fund would be £63.8m;
- (6) of issues relating to Revenues, the General Fund, Glasgow City Integration Joint Board, related companies, the Investment Programme and financing costs and the Budget Support Fund;
- (7) of various substantive accounting adjustments directly related to the closure of the accounts, as detailed in the report; and
- (8) that after taking into account the adjustments referred to above, the unearmarked general fund balance as at 31st March 2026 was projected to be £42.0m (1.9% of net expenditure), in line with the position as at 31st March 2025.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved the various budget adjustments, the carry forwards and the substantive accounting adjustments for 2025/26, all as detailed in the report; and
- (b) referred the report to the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

## **Social Innovation Challenge Funding approved – Declaration of interest.**

**2** With reference to the minutes of 24th October 2024 (Print 5, page 32) approving the establishment of the Social Innovation Challenge Fund, Councillor Aitken, Leader of the Council and City Convener for City and City Region and Just Transition presented a report seeking approval for funding of the fund for 2026/27, advising

- (1) that following the success of the 2025/26 programme, which had resulted in 4 organisations being awarded funding totalling £230,907, it was proposed that the Challenge Fund continued for 2026/27 to support the development of innovative efforts to tackle barriers faced by underrepresented groups;
- (2) of the engagement and application process for funding for 2026/27 which had attracted 104 organisations who were invited to submit an expression of interest and had resulted in 32 applications being received, with the highest scoring 14 being passed to the Expert Advisory Group which was made up of individuals with lived experience of the systematic barriers the fund aimed to overcome;
- (3) of a summary of each of the 4 top scoring applications, as detailed in the report; and
- (4) that it was proposed that these top 4 scoring applications be awarded funding totalling £255,512 and would be subject to regular monitoring reviews over the year to gauge progress and the impact funding had had in relation to fund outcomes, and that funding would be allocated in phases throughout the first 6 months of the programme.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved the 2026/27 funding, as detailed in the report; and
- (b) noted that progress updates would be submitted to the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee.

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

## **City Development Plan (CDP) 2 - Proposed Plan approved.**

**3C** With reference to the minutes of Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee of 18th May 2026 (page 57 hereof) when it had been recommended to this committee approval of the City Development Plan (CDP) 2, Councillor Kelly, City Convener for Housing, Development, Built Heritage and Land Use presented a report regarding those proposals,

- (1) advising

- (a) that work on producing CDP2 commenced in 2023 and it was anticipated that CDP2 would be adopted in 2027, dependent on external factors, as previously advised in the Development Plan Scheme which had been approved on 4th December 2025 (Print 6, page 92) which was a statutory publication to ensure that communities and stakeholders were aware of the process, timetable and opportunities to be involved;
  - (b) that a new Planning Act was introduced in 2019 which had altered the position on many aspects of various planning procedures, including the preparation of CDP 2, as detailed in the report;
  - (c) that the proposed Plan was a significant milestone in the CDP2 process, and sets out a 10-year planning framework for the regeneration and development of the city alongside the protection of the city's natural and historical environment and required approval from full Council prior to consultation via the representation period;
  - (d) of key factors of the Delivery Programme which sets out how an authority proposed to implement the Plan to which it related and was a statutory document that also required approval by full Council;
  - (e) of the planned Planning Guidance provided in the Delivery Programme and of the Local Place Plans which had been submitted by 10 community bodies from different areas of the city and that been verified during the period of preparation and had been taken into consideration in the preparation of the proposed Plan; and
  - (f) of the next stages in relation to the representation period, which was anticipated to run for 12 weeks between August and November 2026, and modification and examination processes following the representation period, as detailed in the report; and
- (2) detailing in the appendices to the report the proposed CDP 2 and Delivery Programme that would accompany the proposed CDP2 throughout its public consultation stage.

After consideration, the committee

- (i) noted the subsequent stages of the City Development Plan 2 process, namely the representation period and examination; and
- (ii) approved the City Development Plan 2 and Delivery Programme.

## **Glasgow purchased services and direct payments uplift 2025/26 approved – Declaration of interest.**

**4** Councillor Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care & Caring and Older People, presented a report regarding the uplift for providers of Glasgow purchased services and direct payments for 2026/27, advising

- (1) that as part of the Scottish budget for 2026/27, the First Minister had announced that a pay uplift for Social Care workers would be delivered from April 2026;
- (2) that £180m of funding had been made available for Local Government to support the delivery of an increased minimum hourly rate from £12.60 to £13.45 per hour for workers providing direct social care within purchased services and those funded from direct payments;
- (3) that it had been proposed to increase eligible Social Care Providers in Glasgow's purchased services by a 6.75% uplift to workforce costs within contract values, that the uplift would also be applied to direct payments where service users either purchase care directly from providers, or employ personal assistants, however excluded any providers under a Scotland Excel framework as these were managed within Scotland Excel contractual terms; and
- (4) of the national weighting and net uplift to the overall contract once the pay increase had been applied for both adult and children's services, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved, with effect from 6th April 2026, a 6.75% uplift to eligible providers of purchased services within Glasgow and Self Directed Support Option 1 (Direct Payments) for workforce costs within contract values; and
- (b) noted that this would be subject to providers who are not in the new Flexible Framework confirming that they would pay staff providing direct care at least £13.45 per hour from 6th April 2026.

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

## **National Care Home Contract increase 2026/27 approved.**

**5** Councillor Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care & Caring and Older People, presented a report regarding an increase to the National Care Home Contract (NCHC) fee rates for 2026/27, advising that

- (1) the NCHC fee rates for 2026/27 had been agreed with the terms of the settlement taking effect from 6th April 2026 and the settlement had set out the expectations in relation to the payment of Adult Social Care Pay rate by providers;
- (2) a rate of 5.145% had been applied to nursing care and 5.496% for residential care from 6th April 2026, with these rates being applied to the NCHC and other commissioned services, including a national minimum wage of £12.71 per hour for domestic and catering support staff, as detailed in the appendices to the report;
- (3) the cost of the uplift for 2026/27 was £6.342m and provision had been made in the Integration Joint Board's 2026/27 budget to meet this commitment;
- (4) the NCHC would be varied to ensure that all direct care workers were paid a minimum of £13.45 per hour and, agree that remuneration could be periodically monitored by the commissioning authority, including direct verification with employees of the provider and that there would be no displacement of any other costs onto staff by the employer; and
- (5) the rate included an uplift of 3.75% within the nursing element to reflect the Agenda for Change agreements for NHS nursing staff, and a commitment to guarantee that if the Consumer Price Increase from January to December 2026 was greater than 3.75%, the increase would be adjusted upwards appropriately.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) agreed
  - (i) the proposed rates from 6th April 2026 and apply the National Care Home Contract uplift to commissioned services, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; and
  - (ii) to vary the contracts with providers in line with the conditions set out in the report; and
- (b) noted
  - (i) that on conclusion of the Best Value reviews for Specialist Services, updates to rates would be applied at the date each review was completed and approved; and
  - (ii) that a further update may be required to meet the Agenda for Change inflation commitment.

## **Scottish recommended allowances for kinship and fostering services approved etc.**

**6** Councillor Cunningham, City Convener for Health, Care & Caring and Older People, presented a report on the Scottish Recommended Allowances (SRA) agreed by COSLA and the Scottish Government for kinship care and fostering services, and of the intention to implement the payment of the proposed allowances backdated to 1st April 2025, advising

- (1) that the Glasgow Integrated Joint Board (IJB) had previously agreed
  - (a) in March 2022 to increase financial support to the 40% of children in Glasgow's foster and kinship placements who were believed to be below the anticipated SRA level;
  - (b) in November 2022 to increase the fee to foster carers from £150 to £165; and
  - (c) in November 2023 to implement the agreed SRA rates, backdated to 1st April 2023 which included the additional 4 weeks allowance paid to carers to cover additional costs of holidays and birthdays throughout the year; and
- (2) that a backdated inflationary increase to 1st April 2025 in the SRA rate had been enabled due to the Scottish Government's (SG) confirmation that the Programme for Government commitment to an inflationary increase in the SRA rate to foster carers and kinship carers would be provided;
- (3) that the Government had restricted the SRA to apply to children and young people up to the age of 18, and had stated that the forthcoming Scottish Care Leaver's Payment which was proposed in the forthcoming Children (Care, Care Experienced and Service Planning) Bill would provide a one-off payment to financially support those over 18 in kinship or foster care, but that there was no date for implementation of this Bill;
- (4) that £292,500 had been awarded to Glasgow which represented a shortfall of £17,177 for implementation of the allowance only to carers of children and young people under the age of 18 and a shortfall of £104,357 to carers of all young people which would be met from existing service budgets; and
- (5) of the financial implications relating to children and young people under the age of 18, and that there were currently 345 young people over 18 who were currently supported in a fostering or kinship placement and concerns remained acute that failure to financially support carers of young people aged above 18 could increase the pressure on existing support services and reduce the support network around young people aged 18-25.

After consideration, the committee

- (i) noted

- (A) that Glasgow's Integrated Joint Board on 13th May 2026 had recommended approval of the funding for kinship and fostering services; and
  - (B) the proposed new Scottish Recommended Allowances for Kinship and Foster Carers; and
- (ii) approved the implementation of the new rates and allowances backdated to 1st April 2025.

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

Hybrid meeting, 18th May 2026.

### **Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee.**

Present: Martha Wardrop (Chair), Declan Blench, Graham Campbell, Anthony Carroll, John Carson, Allan Casey, Annette Christie (substitute for Paul Leinster), Greg Hepburn, Ann Jenkins, Ruairi Kelly (substitute for Eva Bolander), Jill Pidgeon (substitute for Robert Mooney) and Cathrine Vallis.

Also present: Angus Millar.

Apologies: Eva Bolander, Paul Leinster and Robert Mooney.

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).

### **City Development Plan (CDP) 2 - Proposed Plan noted - Instruction to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability - Recommendation to City Administration Committee.**

1 With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee of 4th December 2025 (Print 6, page 89) approving the Development Plan Scheme (DPS) for 2025 for publication on the Council's website, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the City Development Plan 2 proposed plan and proposed delivery programme, advising

- (1) that work on producing City Development Plan 2 (CDP2) commenced in 2023 and it was anticipated that CDP2 will be adopted in 2027, dependent on external factors, as previously advised in the Council's approved DPS;
- (2) that a new Planning Act was introduced in 2019 which had altered the position on many aspects of various planning procedures, including the preparation of CDP 2, as detailed in the report;
- (3) that proposed Plan was a significant milestone in the CDP2 process, and sets out the Plan as proposed by the Council, prior to consultation via the representation period;
- (4) that the proposed Plan would be submitted to the City Administration Committee on 4th June 2026 for approval thereafter to Council on 25th June 2026 before being published for consultation;

- (5) of the planned Planning Guidance provided in the Delivery Programme and of the Local Place Plans which had been submitted by 10 community bodies from different areas of the city and that been verified during the period of preparation and had been taken into consideration in the preparation of the proposed Plan; and
- (6) of the next stages in relation to the representation period, modification report and examination, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, and having heard a presentation by Ms A Laurence, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, the committee

- (a) noted
  - (i) the presentation and the progress made on the City Development Plan 2 and proposed Delivery Programme prior to its submission to the City Administration Committee; and
  - (ii) the forthcoming stages of the City Development Plan 2 process, namely the representation period and examination; and
- (b) agreed to refer the City Development Plan 2 (CDP) 2 to the City Administration Committee for approval.

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

Hybrid meeting, 2nd June 2026.

### **Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee.**

Present: Martha Wardrop (Chair), Ken Andrew (substitute for Eva Bolander), Declan Blench, Graham Campbell, Anthony Carroll, John Carson, Allan Casey, Greg Hepburn, Ann Jenkins, Paul Leinster, Robert Mooney, Kieran Turner and Catherine Vallis.

Apology: Eva Bolander.

Attending: D Brand (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 21st April 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.

### **Economic Development - Update noted.**

2 With reference to the minutes of 18th November 2025 (Print 5, page 114) noting the work carried out by the Economic Development division within the Chief Executive's Department and an update of the division's activity over the last 6 months, there was submitted and noted a report, together with a presentation on the Green Economy element of the strategy, by the Director of Economic Growth providing a further update on the division's activity over the last 6 months, advising

- (1) of the key achievements over the last 6 months; and
- (2) that the Chief Executive's Senior Management meet quarterly to review wider service priorities and performance and the outcomes, targets and performance over the last year, as detailed in the report.

### **Glasgow's Local Housing Strategy 2023-28 – Annual review noted.**

**3** With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee of 18th May 2023 (Print 2, page 29) approving Glasgow's Local Housing Strategy (LHS) 2023-28, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, regarding an annual review of the progress of the actions outlined in the delivery plan of Glasgow's LHS 2023-28, advising

- (1) that under the Housing (Scotland) Act 2021, local authorities were required to prepare a LHS supported by an assessment of housing need and demand;
- (2) that the LHS outlined what the Council and its partners aimed to deliver for the city during the scheduled 5-year period and Glasgow's LHS had been prepared in accordance with Scottish Government guidance;
- (3) of the 4 Grand Challenges which had been identified in the Council's Strategic Plan 2022-27 for the Council to deliver against, and that Glasgow's LHS 2023-28 had made a critical contribution to the 4 Grand Challenges, with a particular focus on missions to improve health and wellbeing, support inclusive, resilient and sustainable economic growth, become a net zero carbon city by 2030 and create safe, clean and thriving neighbourhoods;
- (4) of the 5 strategic priorities which had been set out in Glasgow's LHS together with the progress of the LHS delivery plan which set out 58 actions under those priorities, as detailed in the report; and
- (5) of the progress in delivery of the LHS for 2026/27, as detailed in the report.

### **Bus Workstreams – Update and progress noted.**

**4** There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the key programmes of work that were collectively supporting and enhancing bus services across Glasgow,

- (1) advising
  - (a) of the work that had been driven over the past year by the Glasgow City Region (GCR) Bus Partnership, which was a collaboration of the 8 GCR local authorities, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT), bus operators and bus passenger representative groups, that had evolved into a more formalised, structured and delivery-driven partnership, which had been anchored by the signing of the voluntary GCR Bus Partnership Accord by all partners, and thus established a clearer governance framework and a strong, shared foundation for collaboration;
  - (b) that the role of Dr George Hazel OBE as the Independent Chair had been extended and had been widely recognised as instrumental in

sustaining momentum, and thus deepening relationships between partners and elevating the profile of the GCR Bus Partnership with funders and decision-makers, and that agreement had been reached in principle for this role to be jointly funded by partner authorities from 2026/27 for a 2-year period;

- (c) of the 2-tier funding model of the Bus Infrastructure Fund 2025/26, which had resulted in Glasgow being allocated £88,000 of the £10m allocation in tier 1, which had primarily funded bus stop accessibility improvements and supported smoother travel for bus passengers, and that through the submission of prioritised projects for consideration, Glasgow had been awarded £1,270,000 in tier 2, which would fund 4 projects, as detailed in the report;
  - (d) that work was ongoing in relation to the dispersal of the fund for 2026/27, again through the 2-tier approach, but with revision of the distribution through tier 1 it was anticipated that Glasgow's allocation would substantially increase;
  - (e) of the work being undertaken by the Bus Operators Co-ordination Group, which consisted of representatives from Council service areas, bus operators and SPT, as detailed in the report;
  - (f) of how SPT funding for 2025/26 had been utilised which included £150,000 for bus traffic route priority upgrades and £275,000 which had been invested in enhancing access to bus and subway stations, and that funding for 2026/27 had been secured to drive forward a programme of high-impact bus and accessibility interventions across the city;
  - (g) that the results of the 2026 Free Public Transport Pilot, which had been undertaken by the Council in early 2026, were being analysed and would be brought to a future meeting of this committee; and
  - (h) that following approval of the Strathclyde Regional Bus Strategy and associated Action Plan, it was agreed that a costed programme of works be developed to take forward a Franchising Framework Assessment ; and
- (2) detailing in the appendices to the report, the bids that had been submitted for the Bus Infrastructure Funding 2026/27, and a summary of the 'Don't Be a Bus Blocker' campaign which sought to address a persistent operational issue affecting bus services across the city and wider region, which was currently being scoped to see if it could be expanded wider.

After consideration, the committee noted the

- (i) progress of work related to bus services in Glasgow; and
- (ii) current position on funding for 2026/27.



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

Hybrid meeting, 4th June 2026.

### **Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee.**

**Present:** Graham Campbell (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Susan Aitken, Blair Anderson, Alexander Belic, Jill Brown, Stephen Curran, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Ann Jenkins, Norman MacLeod (substitute for Stephen Dornan), Christy Mearns, Malcolm Mitchell and Catherine Vallis (substitute for Lilith Johnstone).

**Apologies:** Stephen Dornan and Lilith Johnstone.

**Attending:** E Paton (Clerk); J McGhee, Executive Director of Education Services; and F Ross (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

### **Education Services - Annual Business Plan 2026/27 noted.**

**1** There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding the Annual Business Plan for Education Services which provided an overview of the department's priorities for 2026/27 and the resources available to deliver those priorities, as detailed in the report.

### **Education Services development activities related to equalities noted.**

**2** 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 a further update regarding the matter, advising

- (1) of the equalities work being undertaken in relation to race and workforce equality;
- (2) of the work being undertaken to enhance professional learning opportunities for staff to develop an understanding of race equality by delivering race equality sessions across more than 17 schools; and
- (3) that Education Services would continue to strengthen collaboration, inclusion, and anti-racist practice across curriculum, workforce development and pupil engagement.

### **His Majesty's Inspectorate of Education - Inspections in Glasgow noted.**

**3** There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding the outcomes and developments related to His Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIE) inspections in Glasgow primary, secondary, additional support for learning and early year establishments over the school session of 2025/26,

- (1) advising
  - (a) that following the COVID-19 pandemic, the Scottish Government had announced that HMIE would resume inspections, and in Glasgow the first inspections were held in September 2022; and
  - (b) that schools either had a short model inspection based on 2 quality indicators, or a full model inspection based on 4 quality indicators, and that each school was attributed gradings based on the inspectors' findings on a 6-point scale; and
- (2) detailing overall statistical information in relation to the inspections carried out.

### **Play Pedagogy in Glasgow City Council Early Learning and Childcare and Primary noted.**

**4** There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services providing an update on the significant impact of Play Pedagogy and Enquiry based learning across Education Services, advising

- (1) that play was essential to children and young people's quality of life and was a child's right and Education Services strived to ensure that all children across Glasgow had their rights respected and supported in all its education establishments;
- (2) of the curriculum and national practice guidance which enabled the planning of a continuous curriculum experience for learners across Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) and into primary school;
- (3) that in Glasgow, Sustainable Development Goal 4 'Ensure Inclusive and quality education for all and promote lifelong learning' was a driver to adapt national frameworks, local policy and guidance into the contexts of all classrooms and playrooms to meet the needs of diverse groups of learners;
- (4) that this Council's ELC settings provided high quality spaces, interactions and experiences in line with national guidance, with child centred play pedagogy that required us to take the lead from the children;
- (5) Glasgow's ELC to Primary Transition Guidelines were informed by international, national and local research and policy including Realising the

Ambition which set out the key features of positive transitions practice from an early learning and childcare setting to school;

- (6) of the Play Pedagogy in Glasgow's primary schools and meeting the needs of Additional Support Needs learners, as detailed in the report;
- (7) that the Glasgow's Pedagogy Team delivered training on each aspect of the Pedagogy Wheel and provided resources for schools to support the work of Education Services;
- (8) of the support provided for senior leaders and partnership working practices, as detailed in the report; and
- (9) of the next steps to continue to embed the approach consistently across ELC and primary schools.

### **Celebration of Glasgow 850 noted etc.**

**5** There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services providing an update on the Glasgow 850 Education Programme across Education Services, advising

- (1) that to mark 850 years since Glasgow's founding, Education Services had led an ambitious, inclusive and innovative programme of learning across early years, primary, secondary and Additional Support Needs sectors throughout 2025; and
- (2) of the key achievements and impact across Education Services, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the scale, quality and impact of the Glasgow 850 Education Programme across all sectors;
- (b) acknowledged the contribution of children, young people, staff and partners in delivering a highly successful, inclusive and citywide celebration; and
- (c) recognised the lasting legacy created through curriculum innovation, pupil voice and partnership working.



## **ENVIRONMENT AND LIVEABLE NEIGHBOURHOODS CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

Hybrid meeting, 9th June 2026.

### **Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee.**

**Present:** Elaine McSporran (Chair), Abdul Bostani, Anthony Carroll, John Carson, Stephen Curran, Stephen Docherty, Laura Doherty, Allan Gow, Sharon Greer, Paul McCabe and Franny Scally.

**Apologies:** Holly Bruce and Paul Carey.

**Attending:** A Croall (Clerk); J O'Hagan, Director of Service Delivery, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; H Gharyal (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and I Campsie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

### **Glasgow Public Toilet Strategy 2025-35 – Update noted.**

**1** With reference to the minutes of 18th March 2025 (Print 7, page 45) supporting the adoption of Glasgow's Public Toilet Strategy 2025-35, including the commitments and action plan, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the developments of the Glasgow Public Toilet Strategy 2025-35, advising

- (1) that a strategic review had been undertaken of how public toilet services were to be provided in Glasgow, that resulted in a Public Toilet Strategy outlining a set of 22 commitments and 22 corresponding actions across 6 themes, as detailed in the report;
- (2) of the work to deliver public toilet commitments that had continued throughout 2025 and the first quarter of 2026, particularly in relation to actions providing inclusive and accessible toilet provision in parks and on the advancing procurement of a management and servicing contract for the Automated Public Toilet Facilities in the city;
- (3) of the production of an outline implementation plan for delivering actions against commitments, target completion dates, the current status (using RAG system) and a brief update on activity and developments of each action in the Glasgow Public Toilet Strategy, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;
- (4) of the public toilet benchmarking exercise undertaken that highlighted Glasgow had been ranked 4th out of the 12 comparable cities in the Core Cities Network, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report;

- (5) of the review of current public toilet project developments, planned public toilet developments and of the funding opportunities to support the ongoing development to public toilet facilities; and
- (6) of the partner and stakeholder engagement and next steps that would include strategy implementation activity over the coming months that would focus on key tasks, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee noted the update on work to implement the Glasgow Public Toilet Strategy, including plans to proceed with a tender process and procurement of public toilet services across the city.

### **Glasgow Violence Against Women Partnership - Update noted.**

2 With reference to the minutes of 25th November 2025 (Print 5, page 125) noting an update on the citywide Glasgow Violence Against Women Partnership (GVAWP), there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the matter, advising

- (1) that the GVAWP's aims and objectives had been aligned with Scotland's national Strategy, Equally Safe and Delivery Plan, reflecting the complex nature of violence against women which was a cause and consequence of gender inequality, as detailed in the report;
- (2) of recent information and data that highlighted an escalation in the service demands and system pressures experienced by Violence Against Women services, in terms of temporary living accommodation, trafficking and domestic abuse, as detailed in the report;
- (3) of the work that had been undertaken by the Financially Included Project, which was a collaboration between GVAWP, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability's Violence Against Women Services and Glasgow East Money Advice Project since 2022, and that interest had grown from neighbouring authorities; and
- (4) of the ongoing work being undertaken by various violence against women groups to address all forms of violence against women and girls and that whilst escalating demand and system pressures presented ongoing challenges, the GVAWP continued to strengthen prevention, improve coordination and deliver innovative responses across the city.

After consideration, the committee noted the

- (a) operational and partnership activity contained within the Strategic Plan; and
- (b) current and emerging pressures across the system.

## **Our Dear Green Place – A vision for Glasgow’s parks and greenspaces – Progress noted – Recommendation to City Administration Committee.**

**3** With reference to the minutes of 25th November 2025 (Print 5, page 126) noting the outcomes to date for Our Dear Green Place – a vision for Glasgow’s parks and greenspaces, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) regarding the progress of the Parks and Greenspaces Vision and the Scottish Government Play Renewal Fund, advising

- (1) of the background to the development of the vision and the subsequent approval of various related strategies, including the Open Space Strategy Ecological and Climate Emergencies, with measures agreed by committee and included within the scope of the Climate Plan, the Food Growing Strategy and the Local Biodiversity Action Plan and Pollinator Plan;
- (2) of the publication of the Integrated Weed Management Plan setting out Glasgow’s approach to weed control, demonstrating the approach to a reduced reliance on chemical herbicides within the public realm;
- (3) that the Scottish Government Play Renewal Fund and Placemaking Investment had been supplemented by the Council with funds from the Parks and Open Spaces Fund, Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund and supplemented by developer contributions;
- (4) of the status and delivery timescale of programmed funded works for play areas and park projects, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;
- (5) of the tender process for the provision of external annual play area inspections, and that 9 additional members of staff had been trained to undertake inspections that would increase in-house capacity and resilience across the inspection programme;
- (6) of the delivery of further measures arising from the review of parks lighting that had been undertaken in 2023 and 2024, including engagement work in the development and delivery of projects from the Feminist Urbanism Working Group and Police Scotland that contributed to the development of parks to embed gender equality and make parks safer and welcoming; and
- (7) of proposals to renew the Council’s Park Management Rules as they were due for renewal every 10 years, as set out under Section 112 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

After consideration, and having heard a presentation by Kevin McCormack, (NRS), the committee

- (a) noted the
  - (i) outcomes to date for Our Dear Green Place – A vision for Glasgow’s parks and greenspaces;

- (ii) Integrated Weed Management Plan;
  - (iii) consultation methodology and progress for the Scottish Government Play Renewal Programme and individual projects prioritised to reflect the Council's approach to child poverty;
  - (iv) initiatives currently being developed to enhance our parks estate;
  - (v) updated details of the review of parks lighting; and
  - (vi) that the Park Management rules were due for renewal; and
- (b) recommended the renewal of the Council's Park Management Rules to the City Administration Committee for approval.

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

Hybrid meeting, 26th May 2026.

### **Net Zero and Climate Progress Monitoring City Policy Committee.**

**Present:** Lana Reid-McConnell (Chair), Blair Anderson, Declan Blench, Abdul Bostani, Chris Cunningham, Stephen Docherty, Marie Garrity, Mhairi Hunter, Paul McCabe (substitute for Christina Cannon), Malcolm Mitchell, Eva Murray and Thomas Rannachan.

**Apology:** Christina Cannon.

**Attending:** P Yule (Clerk); and G Slater (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

### **Response to questions noted.**

**1** There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing responses to the questions raised at the meeting of this committee on 14th April 2026.

### **Sustainable Glasgow Partnership update noted etc.**

**2** With reference to the minutes of 27th May 2025 (Print 2, page 141) noting the progress on the Sustainable Glasgow Partnership (SGP), there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, providing a further update on the work of the SGP, advising that

- (1) SGP was established in 2009 to support Glasgow to reduce its Scope 1 and 2 carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions by 30% by 2020 against a baseline of 2006 and the SGP was relaunched in 2019 and had evolved since its creation strengthening its commitment to support Glasgow on its journey to be climate-resilient and become a Net Zero Carbon city by 2030;
- (2) the SGP was restructured in 2024, with the Glasgow Sustainable Board (SGB) comprising of 9 members and remained unchanged; and
- (3) the SGB had facilitated progress in a number of different areas and this progress could be measured through the work of the thematic hubs and further activities as well as through the SGB together with the next steps, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee noted that a further update would be provided to this committee.

### **Greening the city and street trees update noted etc.**

**3** There was submitted and noted a report together with a presentation providing an update on the Greening the City Programme and other street tree activities, advising of

- (1) the various strategies and initiatives in place including the Glasgow Tree Plan to manage existing trees and increase the tree canopy of Glasgow with the Clyde Climate Forest strategy also required to increase planting with aims to have 18 million trees planted throughout the Glasgow City Region by 2030; and
- (2) the budget allocation for 2024/25 and 2025/26 for the Greening the City Programme together with the other funding streams, as detailed in the report.

### **Solar photovoltaic installation programme Phase 2 - Update noted etc.**

**4** With reference to the minutes of 15th April 2024 (Print 1, page 67) noting the proposed phased approach to the installation, including progress towards delivering Phase 1 of the Council's Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Installation Programme including the feasibility and financial preparations for future phases, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, providing an update on phase 2 of the program, advising

- (1) that completion of solar PV Phase 1 had equated to an annual saving in grid electricity of approximately £165,000;
- (2) that the energy generation and metering of Phase 1 demonstrated that it was performing in line with pre-installation predictions, as detailed in the appendix to the report; and
- (3) of the solar PV Phase 2 funding, procurement and project information together with the next steps, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

- (a) the updated information in respect of Phase 1 of the solar PV programme; and
- (b) the progress update in respect of Phase 2 of the solar PV programme.

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

Hybrid meeting, 28th May 2026.

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

Present: Linda Pike (Chair), Ken Andrew (substitute for Angus Millar), Annette Christie, Sharon Greer, Greg Hepburn (substitute for Stephen Dornan), Fiona Higgins, Mhairi Hunter, Ann Jenkins, Anne McTaggart (substitute for Roza Salih), Robert Mooney, Eva Murray and Irene Loudon.

Apologies: Stephen Dornan, Angus Millar and Roza Salih.

Attending: A Croall (Clerk); C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; R Emmott, Executive Director of Financial Services and C Quinn (for the Chief Executive).

**Variation in order of business.**

**1** In terms of Standing Order No 6, the committee agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

**Equalities Outcomes 2025-29 noted.**

**2** With reference to the minutes of the Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee of 11th March 2026 (Print 7, page 124), approving the Equality Outcomes Action Plan 2025 to 2029, there was submitted a report by the Chief Executive regarding the Council Family Equality Outcomes for 2025-29, advising of

- (1) the definition and development of process, structure, delivery and measurement of the 10 proposed Equality Outcomes; and
- (2) the Equality Outcomes 2025-29, as detailed in the appendix to the report.

After consideration, the committee noted

- (a) the Equality Outcomes for 2025-29, in fulfilment of the Council's statutory duties under the 2010 Equality Act; and
- (b) that the implementation of the Plan would support compliance with statutory requirements, providing a framework for monitoring and progress reporting on Equality Outcomes over the 2025-29 period.

### **Financial Services – Annual Business Plan 2026/27 noted.**

**3** There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Finance regarding the Annual Business Plan for Financial Services which provided an overview of the department's priorities for 2026/27 and the resources available to deliver those priorities.

### **Chief Executive's Department – Annual Business Plan 2026/27 noted.**

**4** There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Executive regarding the Annual Business Plan for the Chief Executive's Department which provided an overview of the department's priorities for 2026/27 and the resources available to deliver those priorities.

### **Open Government Action Plan 2026-28 noted.**

**5** With reference to the minutes of 17th April 2025 (Print 1, page 72), noting the findings from the Open Government: Call for Ideas undertaken to inform the development of Glasgow's second Open Government Action Plan, there was submitted a report by the Chief Executive regarding the findings from the Open Government: Open Call for Ideas and Stakeholder Conversations, advising of

- (1) the key issues raised within the Open Call for ideas and ranking of those themes for inclusion in the next Open Government Action Plan for Glasgow, as detailed in the report;
- (2) a summary of the findings from the Stakeholder Conversations undertaken in March 2026 with Council Service Departments and Community Planning Partners, and of the further 3 Stakeholder Conversations to be undertaken in June 2026, on themes prioritised by the Open Government Steering Group;
- (3) the Strategic Vision decision points, that included the Action Plan duration and that the Open Government Partnership members would be required to select a Monitoring Body to independently evaluate and assess the co-creation process and results achieved from implementation of the Open Government commitments, that would play a key role in the local action plan process as it would provide lessons, accountability and legitimacy to the process as a trusted and independent actor;
- (4) the policy themes and headline supporting actions that had emerged from the Open Call for Ideas and Stakeholder Conversations, as detailed in the report; and
- (5) that these new actions would be reported regularly to the Operational, Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee under the Strategic Plan commitments.

After consideration, the committee noted the

- (a) findings from the Open Call for Ideas and the Stakeholder Conversations in developing the Open Government Action Plan for Glasgow 2026-28;
- (b) proposed Strategic elements of the Action Plan; and
- (c) actions within the new Plan that would be considered as part of the performance monitoring of services through regular reporting and scrutiny to ensure that the principles of Open Government are embedded into business as usual.



## **CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

Hybrid meeting, 21st May 2026.

### **Contracts and Property Committee.**

**Present:** Franny Scally (Chair), Ken Andrew, Stephen Curran, Laura Doherty, William Graham (substitute for Ruairi Kelly), Sharon Greer (substitute for Kevin Lalley), Fiona Higgins, Seonad Hoy, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Elaine McSporrán, Davena Rankin and Thomas Rannachan.

**Apologies:** Holly Bruce, Ruairi Kelly and Kevin Lalley.

**Attending:** P Yule (Clerk); and D McEwan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

### **Bluevale Neighbourhood Centre (Ward 22) – Lease approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to grant a 25-year lease of Bluevale Neighbourhood Centre, 30 Abernethy Street (Ward 22) to the Bluevale Community Club (BCC) SCIO through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme, advising that

- (1) Glasgow Life (GL) currently had a 25-year lease with Bluevale Neighbourhood Centre which commenced on 1st April 2007 and had sub-leased to Milnbank Housing Association who 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;
- (2) following the pandemic Milnbank Housing Association had requested to rescind their lease on Bluevale Neighbourhood Centre, and due to this, GL had considered the Neighbourhood Centre to be in scope for another organisation to take on the management of the asset with Bluevale Community Club (BCC) utilising the PMGC process;
- (3) granting of a long lease of Bluevale Neighbourhood Centre to BCC would help to ensure that the community continued to benefit from critical facilities and services, as detailed in the report and also as set out in more detail in various documentation provided within the Engagement Phase of the PMGC process; and
- (4) of the provisionally agreed terms.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved the terms agreed for the proposed lease of the property of Bluevale Neighbourhood Centre to Bluevale Community Club, through the People Make Glasgow programme; and
- (b) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration, to conclude all other matters pertaining to the lease and to enter into necessary legal agreements on terms which were in the best interest of the Council.

**Office accommodation at Glenwood Business Centre, Glenwood Place (Ward 1) – Lease extension approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding a proposed lease extension of office accommodation at Glenwood Business Centre, Glenwood Place (Ward 1), advising that

- (1) Glasgow City Council (GCC) had leased suite A1-5, suite A6-8 and suite A15-16 at Glenwood Business Centre on behalf of the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) since 2010 when the property was owned by Jobs and Business Glasgow (JBG) with JBG having sold the property in 2024 to Revo Commercial Ltd, and all leases had been transferred to the new owners on the existing terms and conditions;
- (2) the initial leases were short term monthly agreements, with rent not having been reviewed since 2015 and the new Landlords' managing agents had contacted GCC to advise that the Landlord was no longer offering short term leases and provided new terms should GCC wish to continue occupying the property; and
- (3) that the service that had been provided was specific to this location and that the Council did not have any suitable space within the area, and by extending the lease on revised terms would allow a continuity of service at this location.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the content of this report;
- (b) approved the Council entering into a lease extension of office accommodation at Glenwood Business Centre, Glenwood Place (Ward 1), on the terms detailed in the report; and
- (c) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to conclude all other matters pertaining to the lease and to enter into necessary legal agreements on terms that were in the best interest of the Council.

**Appraisal for the alternative site (two plots of land adjacent to the Sighthill TRA) (Ward 16) – Update noted.**

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the outcome of the options appraisal for the alternative site (two plots of land adjacent to the Sighthill TRA) by the preferred developer, Keepmoat, advising that

- (1) Keepmoat had submitted their options appraisal for the “Alternative Sites” and a process of meetings and evaluation with officers within Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability had been held over several months;
- (2) despite the best efforts of both Keepmoat and GCC a proposal obtaining best value was unable to be agreed; and
- (3) having complied with the terms outlined in the contract with Keepmoat Homes Ltd in this regard, the Council were therefore not bringing forward a proposal to committee for approval and instead the sites would be put to the open market.

After consideration, the committee noted

- (a) the content of the report;
- (b) that instruction would be given to the Managing Director of City Property (Glasgow) LLP to market the sites on the open market; and
- (c) the agreed terms and conditions of the proposed sale would be reported back to this Committee for approval or be dealt with under Delegated Authority should the threshold apply.

**Springburn Winter Gardens at Springburn Park, Broomfield Road (Ward 17) – Lease approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to grant a 25-year lease of Springburn Winter Gardens Trust at Springburn Park, Broomfield Road (Ward 17) to the Springburn Winter Gardens Trust (SWGT) SCIO through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme (PMGC), advising that

- (1) Springburn Winter Gardens had closed in 1983 following a storm, with the building having remained derelict ever since due to storm damage, but was saved from planned demolition in 1985 when the structure had been placed on the Statutory List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest, at category A;

- (2) in 1990 the structure had been placed on the Buildings at Risk Register for Scotland, but despite various proposals for restoration, no subsequent use had been found, and in 2014 the condition of the winter garden had been classified as a ruin at critical risk;
- (3) as a result of engaging with the PMGC programme, the Trust had been able to demonstrate through a robust funded business plan a way to bring Springburn Winter Gardens back into the community, they had successfully secured capital funding to bring the structure back into safe use; and
- (4) of the provisionally agreed terms of the contract.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved the terms provisionally agreed for an off-market letting of Springburn Winter Gardens to Springburn Winter Garden Trust, through the People Make Glasgow programme; and
- (b) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration, to conclude all other matters pertaining to the lease and to enter into necessary legal agreements on terms which were in the best interest of the Council.

## **CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

Hybrid meeting, 11th June 2026.

### **Contracts and Property Committee.**

Present: Franny Scally (Chair), Ken Andrew, Christina Cannon (substitute for Fyeza Ikhlaq), Anthony Carroll (substitute for Holly Bruce), Stephen Curran, Laura Doherty, Fiona Higgins, Seonad Hoy, Ruairi Kelly, Kevin Lalley, Elaine McSporran, Davena Rankin and Thomas Rannachan.

Apologies: Holly Bruce and Fyeza Ikhlaq.

Attending: E Paton (Clerk); M Fitzpatrick (for the Director of Legal and Administration); D McEwan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and P Kane (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

### **Response to questions noted.**

**1** There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing responses to the questions raised at the meeting of this committee on 21st May 2026.

### **Community Alcohol and Drug Recovery Services – Award of contract approved etc.**

**2** There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer of Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP) regarding the outcome of tenders received for Community Alcohol and Drug Recovery Services, advising that

- (1) Community Alcohol and Drug Recovery Services had been designed to deliver recovery oriented, trauma informed and person led community based commissioned services;
- (2) following a tender process there was 38 expressions of interest, with a total of 12 suppliers submitting 17 bids across multiple lots and following evaluation the successful bidder/s was recommended for award to Lots 1, 2, 4 and 5, with no successful bid for Lot 3, as detailed in the report;
- (3) it is the Council's intention to go back to the market to get Lot 3 in place as soon as possible;
- (4) a Direct Award had been assigned to each of the existing Glasgow Recovery Communities to allow for the continuity of the support which was peer-led and delivered by volunteers with local knowledge and lived experience of alcohol

and/or drug use for a term of 4 years plus the option to extend for a further period of 2 years, subject to satisfactory service review outcomes; and

- (5) the implementation plan would be overseen and progress monitored by the Contract Management Commissioning Team.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted that
  - (i) Lot 3 of the Community Alcohol and Drug Recovery Services Tender was unfilled and that it was the Council's intention to go back to market to fill this Lot; and
  - (ii) if a contract for the re-tender of Lot 3 was awarded during summer recess, a report would be provided to the Contracts and Property Committee to note the outcome; and
- (b) approved
  - (i) the awards of contract from 23rd June 2026, as detailed within section 3.5 of the report, with the contract expected to run for a period of 4 years from the services start date of 23rd September 2026, with an option to extend for a further 2 year period and whilst noting that continuance of contractual arrangements would be subject to satisfactory service review outcomes being achieved; and
  - (ii) in principle, the Direct Award of contracts to the 3 Recovery Communities, as detailed in Section 4 of the report for a period of 4 years plus the option to extend for a further 2 year period, with continuance of contractual arrangements being subject to satisfactory service review outcomes being achieved.

### **Provision of works for lighting network renewal – Award of contract approved.**

**3** There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of works for lighting network renewal, advising that

- (1) the budget for the provision of works for lighting network renewal was £14,000,000;
- (2) the contract would provide the Council with a modern, compliant lighting infrastructure that would significantly reduce both energy consumption and ongoing maintenance costs;
- (3) it was agreed that an open tender process would be the most appropriate method to deliver this contract and that the duration of the contract would be

30 months and would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability;

- (4) 31 suppliers had expressed an interest of which 7 had submitted a bid, with 4 of those having failed to meet the minimum 60% pre-selection threshold and therefore did not progress to the award stage and 1 supplier had withdrawn from the tender process citing capacity issues; and
- (5) following an evaluation it was recommended the contract be awarded to Lightways (Contractors) Ltd.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the provision of works for lighting network renewal to Lightways (Contractors) Ltd at an estimated cost of £14,000,000.

### **Supply and delivery of vehicle spare parts – Award of contract approved.**

**4** There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the supply and delivery of vehicle spare parts, advising that

- (1) the Council's annual spend for the supply and delivery of vehicle spare parts was £963,269 per annum;
- (2) Neighbourhoods Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) were responsible for the maintenance and repair of approximately 1600 vehicles, which was undertaken mainly by in-house resource, but was also outsourced to external providers to assist with capacity;
- (3) the duration of the contract would be 4 years from 4th July 2026 to 3rd July 2030 and would be utilised by NRS; and
- (4) 16 suppliers were invited to bid, of those 16, 2 had submitted a bid and following an award evaluation it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Fleet Factors Ltd.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the supply and delivery of vehicle spare parts to Fleet Factors Ltd at an estimated annual award value of £1,000,000.

### **Provision of washroom solution services – Award of contract approved.**

**5** There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding tenders received for the provision of washroom solution services, advising that

- (1) the Councils annual spend for the provision of washroom solution services was £446,361;

- (2) the contract would be for 12 months with the option to extend for 1 further period of 12 months and would be utilised by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, Glasgow Life and Education Services, however all Council services had access to this contract; and
- (3) 23 suppliers expressed an interest, with 11 having submitted a bid and following an award evaluation it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Rentokil Initial UK Ltd.

After consideration, the committee approved the award of contract for the provision of washroom solution services to Rentokil Initial UK Ltd at an estimated annual contract value of £500,000.

### **Contracts approved in terms of Scheme of Delegated Functions noted.**

**6** There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing contracts approved, in terms of the Scheme of Delegated Functions, during the period from 1st January to 31st March 2026, as detailed in the appendices to the report.

### **Off-market disposal of two properties at 283A and 283B North Woodside Road (Ward 11) - Off-market disposal approved.**

**7** With reference to the minutes of 12th June 2025 (Print 2, page 153) granting authority for City Property (Glasgow) LLP to enter into negotiations with Key Housing Association Limited in relation to an off-market disposal of two properties at 283A and 283B North Woodside Road (Ward 11), there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration, advising

- (1) of proposals to progress with the proposed disposal of the 2 properties based on the terms and conditions which had been agreed with Key Housing Association Limited;
- (2) that the subjects were not currently included in the Council's Log of Opted to Tax Property and it was considered that the subjects did not form part of the Council's Common Good; and
- (3) of the negotiated terms and conditions, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee approved the off-market disposal of two properties at 283A and 283B, North Woodside Road to Key Housing Association Limited, subject to the terms and conditions detailed in the report.

**Off-market negotiations for the sale of the old Springburn Library, 179 Ayr Street (Ward 17) approved - Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

8 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to commence off-market negotiations for the sale of the Old Springburn Library, 179 Ayr Street, advising that

- (1) the building was constructed in 1904 and was used primarily as a library and latterly, Jobs Business Glasgow (JBG) had leased the property from the Council, however with the lease to JBG now having expired, the Council were responsible for the property and were keen to ensure the future purposeful use of the building and minimise holding costs on an empty property;
- (2) NG Homes Ltd would like to acquire the property to deliver economic and social opportunities for the community, including providing office space for a local social initiative, whilst reintroducing access for the public through a variety of innovative projects; and
- (3) should authority be granted to commence off-market negotiations with NG Homes, they would undertake discussions with interested parties regarding their use, as part of the overall proposals.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to commence off-market negotiations for the sale of the old Springburn Library, 179 Ayr Street, to NG Homes Ltd; and
- (b) noted that the agreed terms and conditions of the proposed sale would either be considered under delegated authority or reported back to this Committee for approval depending on the appropriate thresholds.

**25-year lease of football pitches at Glasgow Club Donald Dewar, 220 Garscadden Road (Ward 14) - Lease approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

9 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to grant a 25-year lease of football pitches at Glasgow Club Donald Dewar, 220 Garscadden Road (Ward 14), advising that

- (1) the outdoor sports facilities were currently operated via Drumchapel United Football Club SCIO who had operated and managed the pitches under a Licence to Occupy since 2022;
- (2) granting of a long lease of the football pitches at Glasgow Club Donald Dewar to Drumchapel United Football Club SCIO would help to ensure that the local community would benefit from sports, leisure and community facilities; and

- (3) of the provisionally agreed terms, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) granted authority to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to approve a 25-year lease to Drumchapel United Football Club SCIO, the football pitches at Glasgow Club Donald Dewar through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme; and
- (b) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration to conclude all matters pertaining to the lease.

**Netherton House, 19 Blackwood Street (Ward 14) – Acquisition approved - Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods and Regeneration and Sustainability.**

**10** There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to acquire Netherton House, 19 Blackwood Street (Ward 14), advising

- (1) that Netherton House was located within the Drumchapel area of Glasgow and was owned by NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde;
- (2) that the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) had identified the property as suitable for a new Assessment & Resettlement Service for Young People in Transition and that the facility would offer short-to medium-term accommodation with on-site staff support and was seen as a 'Move-through' model, with the aim for young people to build independence and transition to permanent, lower-intensity housing;
- (3) that the District Valuer, in line with Public Sector protocol, had carried out a valuation of the asset on behalf of both parties, and had confirmed a valuation of £275,000; and
- (4) of the terms and conditions, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

- (a) to acquire Netherton House, 19 Blackwood Street on behalf of the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP); and
- (b) in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration, to conclude all other matters pertaining to the acquisition.

**Site of the former St Modan's Primary School, 108 Bellrock Crescent (Ward 18)  
– Disposal approved.**

**11** There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability advising the committee on the outcome of the marketing exercise carried out by City Property (Glasgow) LLP in respect of the site of the former St Modan's Primary School, advising that

- (1) the site originally housed the former St Modans Primary School and Schoolhouse and the school and schoolhouse was declared surplus to the Council's operational requirements in May 2007;
- (2) the site was situated within the fossorial water vole trigger area and as a result of this, it was anticipated that specific mitigation and management strategies would require to be implemented; and
- (3) the site was placed on the market on 18th January 2025, 2 offers had been received, with both being residential proposals, and following an assessment of the 2 offers, it was recommended that the offer from Edzell Securities Limited was accepted, subject to the terms and conditions, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee approved the disposal of the site of the former St Modans Primary School, 108 Bellrock Crescent, to Edzell Securities Limited, subject to the terms and conditions, as detailed in the report.



## LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 6th May 2026.

### Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

- Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Abdul Bostani and Kevin Lalley.
- Apologies: Sean Ferguson, Eunis Jassemi, Leòdhas Massie and Hanif Raja
- Attending: P Yule (Clerk); C Cain (for the Director of Legal and Administration) and Inspector A Ferris, 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 licence for the unexpired portion of their duration with immediate effect:-

*Licence holder and reference number*

#### *PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE*

Thomas Cairns (PD31663); and

- (b) that no action was taken to the undernoted licence:-

#### *TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE*

Simon O'Connor (TD18171)

### Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

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

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

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Premises</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
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**SHORT TERM LET LICENCE – SECONDARY LETTING (GRANT)**

Claris Ankunda (GL01621)	2 Easter Hawhill Gate (Ward 20)	3 years	Refused
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**TAXI LICENCE (GRANT)**

Muhammad Attiq Rafique Akhtar (TV01292)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information
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**Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 - Request for House In Multiple Occupation (HMO) Temporary Exemption Order - Item withdrawn.**

3 This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

**Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Sexual Entertainment Venue Licensing - Request for approval of advertising approved.**

4 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a request from Mr Andrew Cox on behalf of Holmblue Limited for approval of advertising for Seventh Heaven, 95 Hope Street (SEV004) in terms of condition 1 to their Sexual Entertainment Venue licence.

After consideration, the committee approved the request for advertising for Seventh Heaven, 95 Hope Street (SEV004) in terms of condition 1 to their Sexual Entertainment Venue licence.

## LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 20th May 2026.

### Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

- Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Abdul Bostani, Sean Ferguson, Eunis Jassemi, Leòdhas Massie and Hanif Raja.
- Apology: Kevin Lalley
- Attending: P Yule (Clerk); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); B Carroll (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Sergeant B Rafferty, Police Scotland.

### **Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of taxi driver’s licence of Kenneth O’Shea (PD30179) with immediate effect agreed.**

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of the private hire car driver licence for Kenneth O’Shea (PD30179), 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 in view of the background information and having given the licence holder an opportunity to be heard; and
- (2) the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke the taxi driver’s licence, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the Act.

After consideration, the committee agreed to suspend the private hire car driver licence for Kenneth O’Shea 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.**

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 12 applications for various types of licences.

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

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Premises</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
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*PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)*

Muhammad Rafiq (PD35376)	n/a	3 years	Continued for outcome of pending case
Rabah Larraidji (PD35613)	n/a	3 years	Granted

*PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE (RENEWAL)*

DF Concerts Ltd (PEL01402)	TRNSMT, Glasgow Green (Ward 9)	Temporary from 19/06/2026 – 21/06/2026	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in reports by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
DF Concerts Ltd (PEL01403)	Glasgow Summer Sessions, Bellahouston Park (Ward 6)	Temporary from 27/06/2026 to 04/07/2026	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in reports by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, Councillor Sean Ferguson dissenting
The Scotsman Group Plc (PEL01416)	Vinicombe Street (Ward11)	Temporary from 30/05/2026 to 31/05/2026	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in reports by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

*SEXUAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUE (RENEWAL)*

Brightcrew Management Limited (SEV005)	Platinum Lace, 24 Drury Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in reports by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
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Kaagoo Holdings Ltd (SEV006)	Diamond Dolls, 29 Mitchell Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in reports by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
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#### *STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (GRANT)*

Abdollah Skaty (ST01540)	(1) West Side of Kilmarnock Road, 50m North of Eastwood Avenue (Ward 6);  (2) West Side of Kilmarnock Road, 63m South of Coustonholm Road (Ward 6); and  (3) South Side of Carment Drive, 18m West of Kilmarnock Road (Ward 6)	3 years	(a) Refused stances (1) and (2); and  (b) Noted that stance (3) had been withdrawn
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#### *STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (TEMP)*

Keegan Pitt (ST01556)	Mobile – Streets Surrounding Saltmarket	Temporary from 19/06/2026 to 21/06/2026	Continued to allow the applicant to be in attendance
Martin Rooney (ST01557)	Mobile – Streets Surrounding Saltmarket	Temporary from 19/06/2026 to 21/06/2026	Continued to allow the applicant to be in attendance
George Houston (ST01563)	Mobile – Streets Surrounding Saltmarket/Greendyke Street	Temporary from 19/06/2026 to 21/06/2026	Granted

#### *TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE (GRANT)*

Farhat Ullah	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow the applicant to be in attendance
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**Antisocial Behaviour etc (Scotland) Act 2004 - Applications to be entered in register of private landlords dealt with.**

3 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 8 applications to be entered in the register of private landlords for 3 years, in terms of Part 8 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc (Scotland) Act 2004.

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

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Gerard McGonigle	Granted
Sharon McGonigle	Granted
Tahra Saleem	Refused
Steven Murray	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Harlan Figueredo	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance
Ian McInnes	Granted
Man Bun Cheung	Refused
Sacha Ansari	Refused

**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 In terms of Standing Order No 6, there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 2 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:-

<i>Landlord</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Moneeb Ahmad	Agreed to remove from register of private landlords
Hashir Raihan	Agreed to remove from register of private landlords
Khalid Jamal	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance

## LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 27th May 2026.

### Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

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

### Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 6 applications for various types of licences.

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

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Premises</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
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#### *HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION LICENCE (EXISTING)*

Hardeep Kohli (HMO03112)	2/1, 21 Hayburn Crescent (Ward 23)	3 years	Continued for outcome of pending case
Hardeep Kohli (HMO03113)	198 Hyndland Road (Ward 23)	3 years	Continued for outcome of pending case
Hardeep Kohli (HMO03172)	2/1, 318 Byres Road (Ward 11)	3 years	Continued for outcome of pending case
Hardeep Kohli (HMO03957)	2/2, 1130 Argyle Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Continued for outcome of pending case

#### *STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (NEW)*

Keegan Pitt (ST01556)	Mobile – Streets Surrounding Saltmarket	Temporary from 19th to	Granted
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Martin Rooney  
(ST01557)

Mobile – Streets  
Surrounding  
Saltmarket

21st June  
2026

Temporary  
from 19th to  
21st June  
2026

Granted

## LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 3rd June 2026.

### Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

- Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Sean Ferguson, Abdul Bostani, Eunis Jassemi, Kevin Lalley and Hanif Raja.
- Apology: 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 Sergeant B Rafferty, Police Scotland.

### Complaint against taxi driver's licence Mohammed Sajed (TD17433) dealt with.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding a complaint in relation to the taxi driver's licence of Mohammed Sajed (TD17433).

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

### Applications for various types of licences dealt with.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 15 applications for various types of licences.

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

#### *HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (EXISTING)*

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Premises</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
8 Investments Scotland Ltd (HMO06578)	2/1, 23 Bentinck Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

### *HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (NEW)*

Hepp Glasgow Limited (HMO07801)	B2, 1 Clyde Place (Ward 5)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Hepp Glasgow Limited (HMO07802)	B4, 1 Clyde Place (Ward 5)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Hepp Glasgow Limited (HMO07803)	B6, 1 Clyde Place (Ward 5)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Yoginder Malhotra (HMO07875)	1/1, 5 Lymburn Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Tahira Akram (HMO07878)	2/2, 166 Hyndland Road (Ward 23)	3 years	Granted, for a restricted period of 1 year, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and a severe warning issued regarding the applicant's further management of the premises

Katie Alaouabda (HMO07880)	Ground Floor, 54 Kersland Street (Ward 11)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Mandeep Kaur Bhogal Surnjit Bhogal (HMO07882)	Flat 1, 54 Kelvingrove Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
Clare Stubbs (HMO07881)	3/2, 130 Kelvinhaugh Street (Ward 10)	3 years	Granted, subject to conditions detailed in report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

*PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (NEW)*

Mohamed Abdi Elmi (PD35911)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information
Haider Raja (PD35852)	n/a	3 years	Continued to allow applicant to be in attendance

*PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)*

Ishtiaq Ahmed (PD35811)	n/a	3 years	Granted and warning issued regarding applicant's future conduct
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*TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE (RENEWAL)*

Muhammad Rehman (TD18359)	n/a	3 years	Continued for further information
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*TAXI LICENCE (GRANT)*

Nac Taxi Co	n/a	3 years	Refused
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(TV10245)

Muhammad Attiq Rafique Akhtar (TV01292)	n/a	3 years	Refused
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## LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 10th June 2026.

### Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

- Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Sean Ferguson, Eunis Jassemi and Kevin Lalley.
- Apologies: Abdul Bostani, Leòdhas Massie and Hanif Raja.
- Attending: D Brand (Clerk); G McNaught (for the Director of Legal and Administration); and E O'Hanlon and W Steele (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

### Complaints against various licence holders dealt with.

1 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 8 complaints against various licence holders.

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

<i>Licence holder and reference number</i>	<i>Decision</i>
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#### *PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE*

Sarfraz Khan (PD34017)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
Mohammad Sarwar (PD34367)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
Muhammad Janaghir (PD31696)	Licence suspended for 8 weeks

#### *TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE*

Rahid Manzoor (TD16753)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
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#### *TAXI LICENCE*

Benag Taxi Service (TV09281)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect
Haig Taxi Service (TV09323)	Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

Court Taxis (TV09397) Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

Central Taxi Service (TV09458) Licence suspended for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect

### **Applications for various types of licences dealt with.**

**2** There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing 4 applications for various types of licences.

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

<i>Applicant and reference number</i>	<i>Premises</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Decision</i>
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#### **LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE (GRANT)**

Apex Fast Foods Ltd (LHC00590)	Crumble, 670a Pollokshaws Road (Ward 6)	3 years	Refused
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#### **SHORT TERM LET LICENCE – HOME SHARING (GRANT)**

Faisal Ijaz (GL01753)	70 Hardridge Road (Ward 4)	3 years	Noted withdrawal of application
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#### **SHORT TERM LET LICENCE – SECONDARY LETTING (GRANT)**

Balanced Advice Property Ltd (GL01767)	32 Celtic Street (Ward 15)	3 years	Granted
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#### **STREET TRADER'S LICENCE (GRANT)**

Lesley Matthews (ST01518)	Mobile (Citywide)	3 years	Refused
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### **Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Taxi and private hire car conditions – Proposals approved.**

**3** There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the outcomes of both the Taxi Conditions Working Group and the Private Hire Car Conditions Working Group which had been established to review both taxi conditions and private hire car conditions, advising that

- (1) although there was no statutory requirement to review the conditions attached to a taxi licence and separately a private hire car licence, it was good practice to do so to ensure the conditions attached to a licence remained appropriate;
- (2) as the conditions, detailed in appendices 1 and 3 to the report, attached to both licences had not been reviewed for approximately 15 years, officers from the Licensing section had met with representatives from the Taxi and Private Hire Trade Group, which had subsequently led to 2 working groups being set up from each of the groups to review the current conditions;
- (3) both working groups, along with licencing officers and Police Scotland had met on several occasions and had produced revised conditions for both licences, as detailed in the appendices 2 and 4 to the report; and
- (4) Members were now required to consider whether to approve the revised conditions, and if approved, to consider whether there should be an implementation period for introducing the conditions for Taxi licence grant applications and separately for Private Hire Car licence grant applications, together with renewal applications for each type of licence.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved
  - (i) the revised Taxi Conditions as detailed in Appendix 2; and
  - (ii) the revised Private Hire Car Conditions as detailed in Appendix 4; and
- (b) agreed that the revised standard conditions would be introduced for those licences granted from 1st September 2026.



## **PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

By video conference, 5th May 2026.

### **Personnel Appeals Committee.**

Present: Alan Casey (Chair), Robert Mooney and Martha Wardrop.

Attending: H Cairns (Clerk); and F Armstrong (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 rejected.**

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

Having heard the appellant, D Waplington, NASUWT, and J McGhee and A MacDonald, Education Services, the committee, after discussion, rejected the appeal.



## **PERSONNEL APPEALS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

By video conference, 12th May 2026.

### **Personnel Appeals Committee.**

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

Attending: J Crawford (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 – Stage 3 Individual Grievance rejected.**

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

Having heard the appellant, L McGowan, Unison, and H Douglas and K Smith, Education Services, the committee, after discussion, rejected the appeal.



## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

By video conference, 19th May 2026.

### **Planning Applications Committee.**

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, John Daly, Sean Ferguson, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Jill Pidgeon, Hanif Raja, Thomas Rannachan and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Imran Alam, Elaine Gallagher and Paul Leinster.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); I Briggs, S Connolly and M Wilson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

### **Site east of 14 Gartocher Terrace (Ward 18) – 25/00503/FUL – Use of vacant land and chalet park with siting of showpeople caravans to serviced plots etc - Consideration continued.**

1 There were submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application for planning permission by Mr D Reader for the use of vacant land as a chalet park with siting of 5 showpeople caravans to serviced plots, including landscaping and associated works at a site at 14 Gartocher Terrace (Ward 18) - 25/00503/FUL.

After consideration, the committee continued consideration of the application for a site visit and hearing.

### **Berkley House, 255 Bath Street (Ward 10) – 24/03061/FUL – Demolition of building and erection of mixed-use development with purpose-built student accommodation etc – Committee minded to conditionally grant planning permission.**

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application for planning permission by McLaren (Bath Street) Ltd and BIA Murray Ltd for the demolition of a building and the erection of a mixed-use development with purpose-built student accommodation (Sui generis) and a ground floor unit (Class 1A, Class 3 restricted cooling methods, or Class 10), with associated infrastructure at Berkley House, 255 Bath Street (Ward 10) – 24/03061/FUL.

After consideration, the committee were minded to conditionally grant planning permission, subject to the completion of an agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.

**Berkley House, 255 Bath Street (Ward 10) – 24/03069/CON – Complete demolition in conservation area - Committee minded to conditionally grant conservation area consent.**

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application for conservation area consent by McLaren (Bath Street) Ltd and BIA Murray Ltd for the complete demolition in a conservation area at Berkley House, 255 Bath Street (Ward 10) – 24/03069/CON.

After consideration, the committee were minded to conditionally grant conservation area consent, subject to the completion of an agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.

**730A Great Western Road (Ward 23) – 24/00200/FUL – Use of vacant gate lodge accommodation as office (Class 4) and installation of external access ramp to rear – Planning permission conditionally granted.**

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application for planning permission by Glasgow City Council for the use of vacant gate lodge accommodation as office (Class 4) and installation of external access ramp to rear at 730A Great Western Road (Ward 23) -24/00200/FUL.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted planning permission.

**730A Great Western Road (Ward 23) – 24/00199/LBA – Internal alterations associated with conversion of gate lodge, fabric repairs and installation of external access ramp to rear – Listed building consent conditionally granted.**

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application for listed building consent by Glasgow City Council for internal alterations associated with the conversion of a gate lodge, fabric repairs and the installation of an external access ramp to the rear at 730A Great Western Road (Ward 23) - 24/00199/LBA.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted listed building consent.

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

By video conference, 2nd June 2026.

### **Planning Applications Committee.**

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, John Daly, Sean Ferguson, Mhairi Hunter, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Paul Leinster, Anne McTaggart, Jill Pidgeon, Hanif Raja, Thomas Rannachan and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Imran Alam and Elaine Gallagher.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); and A Dale, R Middleton and M Thomson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

#### **545 Sauchiehall Street (Ward 10) – 25/02308/FUL - Part use of restaurant premises as art gallery etc (Sui generis) (Retrospective) – Consideration continued, after division.**

1 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Naff Events Ltd for planning permission for part use of restaurant premises (Class 3) as an art gallery, private dining and function space, weddings, corporate functions and pop-up market/craft fairs, community events (Sui generis) (Retrospective), with Friday and Saturday opening until midnight, including installation of replacement doors to the rear at 545 Sauchiehall Street (Ward 10) – 25/02308/FUL.

Councillor Leinster, seconded by Councillor Andrew, moved that the application be refused.

Councillor Daly, seconded by Cllr Pidgeon, moved as an amendment that the application be continued for a hearing.

On a vote being taken by calling the roll, 8 members voted for the amendment and 3 for the motion. The amendment was accordingly declared to be carried.

#### **152 Newlands Road (Ward 7) – 25/02452/FUL – Erection of flatted development with associated access, car parking, landscaping and associated works, including demolition of existing building – Planning permission conditionally granted.**

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Newlands Lifestyle Living Ltd for planning permission for the erection of a flatted development of 43 units with associated access, car parking, landscaping and associated works, including the demolition of the existing building at 152 Newlands Road (Ward 7) – 25/02452/FUL.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted planning permission, subject to an additional condition No 18 to read:-.

“Prior to demolition of the building(s), the applicant shall submit a written report to the Planning Authority detailing items and materials to be salvaged from the demolished building(s). All reasonable steps to salvage materials from the demolished building(s) for reuse, repurposing and recycling shall be taken. Thereafter, the measures shall be implemented in accordance with the approved report, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Planning Authority, and a further written report detailing the outcome of the exercise shall be submitted to the Planning Authority within one month of the demolition of the building(s) being completed for record keeping purposes.

**Reason:** To enable the Planning Authority to consider this/these aspect(s) in detail.”

**1095 Great Western Road (Ward 23) – 25/02639/LBA – Internal and external alterations including erection of two storey extension and orangery to rear of dwellinghouse and alterations to boundary wall - Listed building consent refused.**

**3** There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an application by Mr and Mrs Lujan for listed building consent for internal and external alterations including the erection of a 2 storey extension and orangery to the rear of a dwellinghouse and alterations to the boundary wall at 1095 Great Western Road (Ward 23) – 25/02639/LBA.

After consideration, the committee refused listed building consent.

## **PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

By video conference, 12th May 2026.

### **Planning Local Review Committee.**

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, Sean Ferguson, Elaine Gallagher, Fyeza Ikhlal, Anne McTaggart, Jill Pidgeon, Hanif Raja, Thomas Rannachan and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: John Daly, Mhairi Hunter and Paul Leinster.

Attending L Sclater (Clerk); T Moss and S Taylor (Planning Advisors).

### **Appointment of Chair.**

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

### **5 Greentree Drive (Ward 20) - 26/00013/LOCAL - Erection of two-storey extension to side of dwellinghouse - Consideration continued.**

2 There was submitted a request by Mr Blair McIntyre for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a two-storey extension to the side of a dwellinghouse at 5 Greentree Drive (Ward 20) – 26/00013/LOCAL.

After consideration, committee continued consideration of the matter to allow the applicant to provide:-

- (1) sunlight and daylight assessments to assess the impact of the development on the neighbouring garden and habitable rooms; and
- (2) to confirm the status of all trees to the south west of the extension.

### **2339 Paisley Road West (Ward 4) - 26/00015/LOCAL - Formation of dormer windows to front, side and rear of dwellinghouse – Planning permission conditionally granted.**

3 There was submitted a request by Mr Jitin Malik for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the formation of dormer windows to the front, side and rear of a dwellinghouse at 2339 Paisley Road West (Ward 4) – 26/00015/LOCAL.

After consideration, committee conditionally granted planning permission, subject to additional conditions to read:-

- (1) “Prior to the installation of the proposed windows, full details of materials, profile, opening method, colour, and proportions should be provided and

approved in writing by the Council as Planning Authority. New windows shall match the originals in all aspects of their design: proportions, profile, framing thickness, detailing, method of opening and materials.

**Reason:** In order to protect the appearance of both the property itself and the surrounding area.”; and

- (2) “Prior to use of the bathroom, opaque glazing shall be installed on the proposed side elevation window and retained for the lifetime of the development, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Council, as Planning Authority.

**Reason:** In the interests of residential amenity.”

**Remnant Christian Network, 425 Govan Road (Ward 5) - 26/00014/LOCAL - Use of land for siting of container (retrospective) - Planning permission conditionally granted - Dissent.**

4 There was submitted a request by Mrs Mercy Alison for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the use of land for the siting of a container (retrospective) at the Remnant Christian Network, 425 Govan Road (Ward 5) – 26/00014/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee, Bailie Wardrop dissenting, conditionally granted planning permission, subject to

- (1) an additional condition to read:-

“Provision shall be made within the development for a minimum of 20 cycle parking spaces. This provision shall be in accordance with the requirements of Glasgow City Council’s City Development Plan, Supplementary Guidance 11: Sustainable Transport, Section 4 Cycle Parking. The cycle parking shall be available for use in accordance with the approved drawings before the development is occupied.

**Reason:** To ensure that the cycle parking is available for the occupiers/users of the development.”; and

- (2) advisory notes to read:-

- (a) “The owner should be aware that the site plans provided differ in fenestration pattern from the existing development on site. In order to rationalise the development and preclude further enforcement action, it is requested that an application for a non-material variation be lodged that features the fenestration pattern as it is on site”; and
- (b) “The request for 20 cycle parking spaces is given on the basis of an assumed capacity of 200 worshippers due to the floor space of 250m2

given in the site plans. The applicant can dispute this assumption but any revision must be agreed upon by the authority.”



## PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 26th May 2026.

### Planning Local Review Committee.

Present: Ken Andrew, Saqib Ahmed (for Item 2 only), Sean Ferguson, Mhairi Hunter, Fyeza Ikhlaiq, Paul Leinster, Anne McTaggart, Jill Pidgeon, Hanif Raja, Thomas Rannachan and Martha Wardrop.

Apologies: Imran Alam, John Daly and Elaine Gallagher.

Attending: L Sclater (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.

### **126 Earbank Avenue (Ward 13) - 26/00018/LOCAL - Erection of single storey extension to rear and side and external alterations to side of dwellinghouse - Planning permission conditionally granted - Dissent.**

2 There was submitted a request by Mrs E Pitblado for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a single storey extension to the rear and side and external alterations to the side of a dwellinghouse at 126 Earbank Avenue (Ward 13) – 26/00018/LOCAL.

After consideration, Bailie Wardrop dissenting, committee conditionally granted planning permission.

### **25 Loanbank Quadrant (Ward 5) - 26/00019/LOCAL - Use of warehouse (Class 6) as Business (Class 4), General Industry (Class 5) and Storage and Distribution (Class 6) uses, includes alterations to vehicular access, parking, formation of yard, landscaping, erection of fencing and frontage alterations – Planning permission conditionally granted - Dissent.**

3 There was submitted a request by Mr Keith Rodwell for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the use of a warehouse (Class 6) as Business (Class 4), General Industry (Class 5) and Storage and Distribution (Class 6) uses, including alterations to the vehicular access, parking, formation of a yard, landscaping, erection of fencing and frontage alterations at 25 Loanbank Quadrant (Ward 5) – 26/00019/LOCAL.

After consideration, Bailie Wardrop dissenting, committee conditionally granted planning permission, subject to

(1) an amended condition to read:-

03. “With the exception of tree works detailed in the approved application, existing trees on the site shall not be lopped, topped, felled or removed without the prior written approval of the planning authority. Details of such trees and the proposed operations on each of them shall be submitted to the planning authority. Any proposals for felling or removal shall include proposals, including a programme, for replacement tree planting.

**Reason:** To maintain the contribution of existing trees to the landscape quality and biodiversity of the area.”;

(2) additional conditions to read:-

(a) “Prior to the first use of the commercial units within the warehouse building (Unit B1, Unit B2 and Unit B3 on the approved Proposed Building Plan drawing) a Waste Management Plan for Operational Waste must be submitted to and approved in writing by the planning authority.

**Reason:** To ensure compliance with Policy 12 of the National Planning Framework 4 (2023); and

(b) “The external light fixtures must be painted or factory finished to match the colour of the external wall to which they are fixed.

**Reason:** In order to protect the appearance of both the property itself and the surrounding area.”; and

(3) an advisory note to read:-

“The site proposal currently shares an access point for both cyclists and lorries. It is recommended that painted road markings or other design solutions are made to segregate the two modes of transport into the site.”

## **PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

By video conference, 9th June 2026.

### **Planning Local Review Committee.**

Present: Ken Andrew (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Imran Alam, Mhairi Hunter, Paul Leinster, 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 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.

### **5 Greentree Drive (Ward 20) - 26/00013/LOCAL - Erection of two-storey extension to side of dwellinghouse - Planning permission conditionally granted.**

2 With reference to the minutes of 12th May 2026 (Page 113 hereof) the committee resumed consideration of a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the erection of a two-storey extension to the side of a dwellinghouse at 5 Greentree Drive (Ward 20) - 26/00013/LOCAL.

After consideration, the committee conditionally granted planning permission subject to an advisory note to read:-

“The Council regards the remaining trees to the southern boundary as a valuable aspect of softening the landscape and instruct the developer to allow them to remain undisturbed by the construction process.”

### **121 Trinity Avenue (Ward 20) - 26/00020/LOCAL - Use of main door flatted dwelling (Sui Generis) as short-term let (Sui Generis) - Consideration continued, after division.**

3 There was submitted a request by Mr Chirag Barot for a Planning Local Review of refusal of planning permission for the use of a main door flatted dwelling (Sui Generis) as a short-term let (Sui Generis) at 121 Trinity Avenue (Ward 20) - 26/00020/LOCAL.

Councillor Pidgeon, seconded by Councillor Ahmed, moved that consideration be continued to allow officers to investigate if further information had been submitted by the applicant relating to the review.

Councillor Andrew, seconded by Councillor Leinster, moved as an amendment that planning permission be refused.

On a vote taken by calling the roll, 4 members voted for the amendment and 5 for the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried.

## **FINANCE AND AUDIT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

Hybrid meeting, 20th May 2026.

### **Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.**

Present: Cecilia O'Lone (Chair), Ken Andrew, Alexander Belic, Declan Blench, Abdul Bostani, Sharon Greer, Greg Hepburn (substitute for Malcolm Mitchell), Dan Hutchison, Donna McGill, Kieran Turner and Catherine Vallis.

Apologies: Elaine Gallagher, Jim Kavanagh and Malcolm Mitchell.

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); M Johnston, Director of Financial and Business Services; J Campbell, Head of Audit and Inspection; L Heggie, Head of Digital Services; C Quinn (for the Chief Executive); and C McKenzie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

### **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 22nd April 2026.

### **Local Government Benchmarking Framework 2024/25 noted.**

**2** There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Executive regarding the Local Government Benchmarking Framework 2024/25, which summarised the Council's comparative position across a wide suite of performance indicators and highlighted areas of strong performance, alongside indicators where further analysis or improvement activity was underway or planned, as detailed in the report.

### **Internal audits noted – Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.**

**3** There were submitted reports by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the findings of the following audits carried out:-

- (1) Chief Executive's Department -
  - (a) Whole Family Early Intervention Fund Arrangements; and
  - (b) Payroll Verification;
- (2) Corporate Review:-
  - (a) Hub West Scotland; and

- (b) Worldplay Income;
- (3) Education Services – School Transport; and
- (4) Financial Services – Payroll Verification.

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.

### **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 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 noted – Corporate Review – Cyber Incident Lessons Learned - Instruction to Head of Audit and Inspection.**

**5** There was submitted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the findings of a review of the Corporate Review of Cyber Incident Lessons Learned 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.

### **Internal audit noted – Chief Executive’s – ICT Security Model – 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 a review of the Chief Executive’s ICT Security Model 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.



## **OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

Hybrid meeting, 6th May 2026.

### **Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.**

**Present:** Soryia Siddique (Chair), Imran Alam, Richard Bell, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, John Daly, Stephen Docherty, William Graham, Greg Hepburn (substitute for Alex Kerr), Fiona Higgins (substitute for Thomas Rannachan), Seonad Hoy (substitute for Leòdhas Massie), Linda Pike (substitute for Roza Salih) and Martha Wardrop.

**Apologies:** Eunis Jassemi, Alex Kerr, Leòdhas Massie, Thomas Rannachan and Roza Salih.

**Attending:** D Brand (Clerk); M Booth, Head of Policy and Corporate Governance; J Campbell, Head of Audit and Inspection; D Dowling and C Quinn (for the Chief Executive); M McClung (for the Executive Director of Education Services); J Ashroft, A Duffy, P McGillivray and F O'Rourke and (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability) and C MacKenzie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

### **Responses to questions from previous meeting noted.**

**1** There was submitted responses to questions raised by members at the meeting of this committee on 11th 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.

### **Strategic Plan Performance - Grand Challenge 2 – Increase opportunity and prosperity for all our citizens - Missions 1, 2 and 3 - Service commitments noted etc.**

**2** With reference to the minutes of 4th December 2024 (Print 6, page 168) noting that requests for further details or progress updates relating to specific commitments of the Council's Strategic Plan would form part of this committee's future work programme, there was submitted a report by the Chief Executive,

- (1) advising
  - (a) that a template report had been issued to all Services that structured and supported scrutiny of the Strategic Plan and illustrated the crosscutting nature of its Missions as those Services worked together to deliver the Council's priorities;
  - (b) that the Strategic Plan was subject to annual review to reflect the volatility of outside pressures and budget constraints, with the last annual review approved by the Council at its meeting on 3rd December 2025; and
  - (c) of the work underway across a number of key areas to deliver the plan's commitments; and
- (2) detailing in an appendix to the report, progress and performance updates, sample case studies and planned activity by the Chief Executive, Education Services and Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability Services across key areas to deliver those commitments, focussing particularly on Grand Challenge 2 and the undernoted Missions:-
  - (a) Mission 1: Support Glasgow residents into sustainable and fair work;
  - (b) Mission 2: Support the growth of an innovative, resilient and net zero carbon economy; and
  - (c) Mission 3: Raise attainment amongst Glasgow's children and young people.

After consideration, the committee noted

- (i) the report; and
- (ii) that if required, officers would report back with further detail or progress updates on specific commitments or actions as part of the committee's future work programme.

### **Local Government Benchmarking Framework 2024/25 noted etc.**

**3** There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive regarding the Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) 2024/25, advising

- (1) that the LGBF indicators highlighted areas of robust performance and areas where further improvement works were being taken forward;
- (2) that the LGBF provided benchmark comparisons across 9 key headings of Children's Services, Adult Social Care, Culture and Leisure, Environmental Services, Corporate Services, Housing, Economic Development and Planning, Financial Sustainability and Tackling Climate Change;

- (3) that to facilitate comparisons within the LGBF, local authorities were grouped into 2 sets of benchmarking families with the groupings reflecting either similar social or environmental characteristics, depending on the measure being considered;
- (4) of a summary of key outlying indicators within the LGBF that were ranked within the highest or lowest 8 local authorities, along with those indicators currently under review, as detailed in the report;
- (5) that full performance for each of the LGBF indicators were available from the Improvement Service website, with those distinct indicators having been derived from, and reflective of, a range of key areas, with some being reflective of cost, customer satisfaction and some directly relevant to the Council's strategic commitments;
- (6) that Council services were required to produce Annual Business Plans that set out current year priorities, and guidance around the development of those plans recognised the importance of benchmarking for achieving and demonstrating best value; and
- (7) that this Council continued to engage in an on-going programme of work with the Improvement Service and the Scottish Performance Network to ensure it was making effective use of LGBF data.

After consideration, the committee noted

- (a) the report; and
- (b) that the Local Government Benchmarking Framework would be reported to this committee on an annual basis when figures had been updated.

#### **Performance management arrangements noted.**

**4** There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the main findings of a review of the arrangements for performance management for complaints handling and Elected Member queries, together with a summary of the action taken.

#### **Conference attendance approved under delegated authority noted.**

**5** There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration detailing the attendance of elected members at conferences etc, which had been approved in terms of the Scheme of Delegated Functions.



## **OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.**

Hybrid meeting, 3rd June 2026.

### **Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.**

**Present:** Soryia Siddique (Chair), Imran Alam, Richard Bell, Annette Christie, Chris Cunningham, John Daly, Stephen Docherty, William Graham, Seonad Hoy (substitute for Leòdhas Massie), Eunis Jassemi, Norman MacLeod, Thomas Rannachan and Martha Wardrop.

**Apology:** Leòdhas Massie.

**Attending:** L Sclater (Clerk); M Booth, Head of Policy and Corporate Governance; J Campbell, Head of Audit and Inspection; E Parkes (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and C MacKenzie (for the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance).

### **Responses to questions from previous meeting noted.**

**1** There was submitted responses to questions raised by members at the meeting of this committee on 6th May 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.

### **Strategic Plan Performance: Grand Challenge 3: Fight the climate emergency in a just transition to a net zero Glasgow - Missions 1 and 2 - Service commitments noted etc.**

**2** With reference to the minutes of 4th December 2024 (Print 6, page 168) noting that requests for further details or progress updates relating to specific commitments of the Council's Strategic Plan would form part of this committee's future work programme, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability,

- (1) advising
  - (a) that a template report had been issued to all Services that structured and supported scrutiny of the Strategic Plan and illustrated the crosscutting nature of its Missions as those Services worked together to deliver the Council's priorities;

- (b) that the Strategic Plan was subject to annual review to reflect the volatility of outside pressures and budget constraints and had a transparent change control system in place to assist; and
  - (c) of the work underway across a number of key areas to deliver the plan's commitments; and
- (2) detailing in an appendix to the report, progress and performance updates, sample case studies and planned activity by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability Services across key areas to deliver those commitments, focussing particularly on Grand Challenge 3 and the undernoted Missions:-
- (a) Mission 1: Deliver sustainable transport and travel aligned with the city region; and
  - (b) Mission 2: Become a net zero carbon city by 2030.

After consideration, the committee noted

- (i) the report; and
- (ii) that if required, officers would report back with further detail or progress updates on specific commitments or actions as part of the committee's future work programme.

### **Financial Services - Performance management arrangements noted.**

**3** There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Audit and Inspection advising of the main findings of a review of the performance management arrangements within Financial Services, together with a summary of the action taken.