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**THIS PAPER RELATES TO
ITEM 03
ON THE AGENDA**

MINUTE OF MEETING of the CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL held within the Council Chamber, Greenfield, Alloa, FK10 2AD, on THURSDAY 30 JUNE 2011 at 9.30 am.

PRESENT

Provost Derek Stewart (Chair)
Councillor Donald Balsillie
Councillor John Biggam
Councillor Janet Cadenhead
Councillor Eddie Carrick
Councillor Kenneth Earle
Councillor Mark English
Councillor George Matchett, QPM
Councillor Walter McAdam, MBE
Councillor Bobby McGill
Councillor Harry McLaren
Councillor Reverend Sam Ovens
Councillor Janis Paterson
Councillor Gary Womersley

IN ATTENDANCE

Angela Leitch, Chief Executive
Garry Dallas, Director of Services to Communities
Nikki Bridle, Director of Finance and Corporate Services
Deirdre Cilliers, Joint Head of Social Services
Stephen Crawford, Head of Facilities Management
John Gillespie, Head of Community and Regulatory Services
Belinda Greer, Joint Head of Education
Elaine McPherson, Head of Strategy and Customer Services
Lesley Robertson, Interim Head of Education
David Thomson, Solicitor, Legal Services (Clerk to the Council)

CC.21 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Craig Holden, Councillor Irene Hamilton, Councillor Alastair Campbell and Councillor Tina Murphy.

CC.22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Gary Womersley declared a non-financial interest in Item 19 - Sale of Land at Dumyat Business Park and advised that he would withdraw from the meeting for the duration of that item. Councillor Womersley is a Director of CSBP Clackmannanshire Developments Ltd.

The Provost advised that two items of urgent business had been submitted to the Council for consideration:

Appointment of Chief Executive

A report which sought Council approval of the process to appoint a new Chief Executive to Clackmannanshire Council was submitted by the Chief Executive as a matter of urgent business. The Chief Executive has tendered her resignation effective from the end of September 2011 to take up the post of Chief Executive of East Lothian Council.

In terms of Standing Order 10.2, the Council agreed that the report would be taken as a matter of urgent business to allow the Council the opportunity to consider the process for appointing a new Chief Executive as soon as possible given written confirmation of the Chief Executive's appointment by East Lothian Council had only recently been received.

The Provost advised that this item would be taken following Item 18

Sale of Former Alloa Academy Site, Alloa - (Not for Publication by Virtue of Schedule 7(a) Paragraph 9 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973)

A report which sought approval by Council for the sale of the former Alloa Academy Site was submitted by the Head of Facilities Management as a matter of urgent business.

In terms of Standing Order 10.2, the Council agreed that the report would be taken as a matter of urgent business due to an offer being received on the understanding that this be concluded timeously.

The Provost advised that this item would be taken as the last item of business

CC.23 MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON 2 JUNE 2011

A minute of the meeting held on Thursday 2 June 2011 was submitted for approval by Council.

CC.15 Submission of Petition and Request to be heard from Save Alva Pool Campaign Group and Save Our Swimming Pool Campaign Group in Association with Alva Community Council.

Councillor Donald Balsillie asked that the minute be amended to reflect that he also asked that his dissatisfaction with the process of only allowing 10 minutes for members' questions be recorded in the minute.

Subject to the above amendment, the minute of the meeting held on Thursday 2 June 2011 was agreed as a correct record and signed by the Provost.

CC.24 AMENDMENTS TO COUNCIL STANDING ORDERS

The report which sought approval for amendments to the Standing Orders was submitted by the Head of Strategy and Customer Services.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Rev. Sam Ovens. Seconded by Councillor Gary Womersley.

Decision

The Council unanimously agreed to:

- a. Approve the revised Standing Orders as set out in the appendix to the report; and
- b. Note that further changes to the Standing Orders as they relate to the treatment of petitions and multiple amendments will come before Council at its August meeting.

Action

Head of Strategy and Customer Services

CC.25 AMENDMENTS TO SCHEME OF DELEGATION

The purpose of the report, submitted by the Head of Strategy and Customer Services, was to put forward a Scheme of Delegation in respect of jointly managed services between Clackmannanshire and Stirling Councils and to propose amendments to the Council's Scheme of Delegation.

The Head of Strategy and Customer Services advised of an error on Page 66, paragraph 5.2 - the new section should be Section 12 and numbered accordingly.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Rev. Sam Ovens. Seconded by Councillor Gary Womersley.

Decision

The Council unanimously agreed to:

- a. approve the Scheme of Delegation in respect of jointly managed education and social services set out in appendix 1 of the report; and
- b. approve a revised Scheme of Delegation for the Council as set out in Appendix 2 of the report.

Action

Head of Strategy and Customer Services

CC.26 SCHEME OF ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY COUNCILS

The purpose of the report, submitted by the Head of Strategy and Customer Services, was for Council to consider the outcome of the initial consultation exercise on the composition of community councils and the contents of a proposed new Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Kenneth Earle. Seconded by Councillor Gary Womersley.

Amendment

"In Appendix 1 on page 3 (ballot) of the proposed scheme (page 133 of the papers):

delete "single majority basis" and replace with "the block voting system."

Moved by Councillor John Biggam. Seconded by Councillor Bobby McGill.

Councillor Earle agreed to incorporate Councillor Biggam's amendment into his motion.

Decision

The Council agreed unanimously to approve the Draft Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils attached as Appendix 1 to the report, as amended, to go forward to the next stage of statutory consultation.

Action

Head of Strategy and Customer Services

CC.27 CLACKMANNANSHIRE ALLIANCE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The report, submitted by the Head of Strategy and Customer Services, sought Council approval of a revised Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the Clackmannanshire Alliance.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Rev. Sam Ovens. Seconded by Councillor Gary Womersley.

Decision

The Council unanimously agreed to approve the Clackmannanshire Alliance Memorandum of Understanding attached as an appendix to the report.

Action

Head of Strategy and Customer Services

CC.28 SCRUTINY COMMITTEE SELF ASSESSMENT

The report which summarised the key findings arising from the recently completed Scrutiny Committee self assessment process was submitted by the Director of Finance and Corporate Services. The report also sets out the proposed improvement plan for addressing the issues raised by the review.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Donald Balsillie. Seconded by Councillor Janis Paterson.

Decision

The Council unanimously agreed to:

1. Approve the key findings and improvement plan arising from the review; and
2. Approve the indicative timescales set out in the improvement plan.

Action

Director of Finance and Corporate Services

CC.29 SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FORWARD PLAN

The report which presented to Council the Scrutiny Committee Forward Plan for 2011/12 was submitted by the Director of Finance and Corporate Services. The report supplemented the interim report presented to Council on 10th March 2011.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Donald Balsillie. Seconded by Councillor Janis Paterson.

Decision

The council unanimously agreed to:

- approve the Scrutiny Committee Forward Plan for 2011/12 set out in Appendix A;
- note the "watching" brief" subjects highlighted by the Scrutiny Committee; and
- endorse the planning process improvements adopted by the Scrutiny Committee in preparing the 2011/12 Forward Plan.

Action

Director of Finance and Corporate Services

CC.30 SHARED OUT OF HOURS TELEPHONE RESPONSE SERVICE

The report which sought Council approval to implement a shared out of hours telephone response service, making use of the joint resources available to Forth Valley public sector partners to improve service and reduce operating costs, was submitted by the Chief Executive.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Bobby McGill. Seconded by Councillor Kenneth Earle.

Voting

The voting on the motion was as follows:

For the motion	8 votes
Against the motion	6 votes
Not voting	0 abstentions

Decision

On a division of 8 votes to 6 with 0 abstentions, the Council agreed:

- a. to Central Scotland Police delivering the out of hours telephone response service on behalf of Clackmannanshire Council as this is the lowest cost option and provides additional non-financial benefits such as greater back up and resilience; and
- b. that a Project Steering Group be set up to oversee implementation of this decision, involving senior managers from Clackmannanshire Council and Central Scotland Police. The Steering Group will report regularly to the Chief Executive and Chief Constable.

Action

Chief Executive

CC.31 DRAFT STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Council is required by law to prepare a statement of accounts in accordance with "proper practices" which set out its financial position at the end of each financial year. The report was submitted by the Director of Finance and Corporate Services.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Bobby McGill. Seconded by Councillor Kenneth Earle.

Decision

The Council agreed to note the 2010/11 Draft Statement of Accounts and agree to their submission to the Controller of Audit.

Action

Director of Finance and Corporate Services

CC.32 CLACKMANNANSHIRE EMPLOYABILITY STRATEGY AND FRAMEWORK FOR ACTION

A report which summarised the recently developed Clackmannanshire Employability Strategy and Framework for Action as well as the Council's role in taking it forward, was submitted by the Head of Community and Regulatory Services.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Rev. Sam Ovens. Seconded by Councillor Eddie Carrick.

Voting

The voting on the motion was as follows:

For the motion	9 votes
Against the motion	4 votes
Not voting	1 abstention

Decision

On a division of 9 votes to 4 with 1 abstention, the Council agreed to:

- a. approve the Clackmannanshire Employability Strategy and Framework for Action;
- b. note the Council taking the lead on strategic projects relating to (i) Looked After Children and (ii) Maximising Employment and Training Benefits of Public Sector spend and recognises its role in supporting and contributing to other strategic projects; and
- c. note the council development of the new Integrated Employability Service.

Action

Head of Community and Regulatory Services

CC.33 NEW COUNCIL HOUSING - HOUSING INVESTMENT AND INNOVATION

The report, submitted by the Head of Community and Regulatory Services, provided Council with a summary of the proposed bid to the Scottish Government's new Innovation and Investment Fund 2011 - New Council House Building. The bid draws together work completed by Council officials and Ochil View Housing Association for the Forth Valley College Annexe site at Hallpark in Sauchie. The summary also provided an update on a bid to the Innovation Fund by Lochay Homes to develop The Shore site adjacent to Alloa Academy in Bowmar, as well as confirming significant investment in energy efficiency within the Bowmar area of Alloa.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Eddie Carrick. Seconded by Councillor George Matchett.

Decision

The Council unanimously agreed to

1. note the proposal for a further phase of Council housing and the Forth Valley College site at Hallpark in Sauchie aimed at 25 new Council houses and associated facilities as a key project in our homelessness strategy; and
2. note the bid to the Innovation Fund from Lochay Homes which if successful may facilitate the development of the council's land interests at The Shore for affordable housing.

Action

Head of Community and Regulatory Services

CC.34 ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

A report which made Council aware of (a) the findings and recommendations of the Audit Scotland report "Maintaining Scotland's Roads", (b) the findings of the Scottish Road Maintenance Condition Survey, (c) budget implications and (d) the performance of Statutory Undertakers in carrying out reinstatements in public roads and footways, was submitted by the Head of Community and Regulatory Services.

The report sought approval for a transfer of funding within the approved Roads and Transportation Capital Budget from Bridge Strengthening to Road Improvements for financial year 2011/12.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Eddie Carrick. Seconded by Councillor George Matchett.

Decision

The Council agreed unanimously to:

- approve the transfer of £300,000 within the approved Roads and Transportation Capital Budget.

- support the recommendation by Audit Scotland that the Scottish Government initiates a review into how the road network is maintained and managed including an assessment of all available options.

Action

Director of Services to Communities

CC.35 TILlicOUNTRY PROPERTY ASSET PLAN

A report which summarised a detailed options appraisal of the Council's non-housing property portfolio in Tillicoultry within the context of (a) protecting and enhancing priority community facilities, (b) rationalising under-performing property where usage and operating costs do not represent best value and/or where maintenance liabilities are unsustainable and (c) using vacant/underused property better to support other corporate priorities, was submitted by the Head of Facilities Management.

The Head of Facilities Management advised the Council that since publication of the agenda, the Parish Church has indicated that it no longer wishes to be considered as an alternative location (page 249 refers), therefore, reference to the Parish Church should be deleted from the papers.

Motion

That Council agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Rev Sam Ovens. Seconded by Councillor Eddie Carrick.

Amendment

To ensure that the Administration's desire to protect and enhance services within the context of a balanced budget, are reflected in this report:

In Paragraph 1, add at the end:

d) protecting and enhancing service to the community

In Paragraph 2.0 (Recommendations) amend line 2.1 to read

"2.1 Council is recommended to approve in principle".

Amend 2.1a) (2) to read

(2) Former Family Centre - redevelop as a community hub and provide service for early years groups displaced from the Community Centre and the Library/CAP, rent offices, serving community groups previously using the Community Centre and a number of the groups that work from the Family Centre with the Library/CAP and Rent office.

Amend 2.1a)(4) to read

(4) Primary School/Fir Park Ski Centre (Fir Park Campus) - enhancement of the existing nursery with investment to improve the buildings overall condition in the medium-long term. Enable increased and sustainable community use of the campus outwith normal school hours, where this is compatible with the life and security of the primary school."

Amend 2.1(b) to read

- (b) *Subject to full consultation with the community and with particular reference to former users of the Hillfoots Family Centre, current and former users of the Tillicoultry Community Centre to ensure all groups are provided with an equivalent level of accommodation.*

Amend 2.1(c) to read

- (c) *and subject to the provision by the Joint Head of Social Services of an updated Early Years Framework prepared with partners, families and other stakeholders.*

Amend Appendix 1: Alternative accommodation for Community Centre Users

Toddlers Group: proposed alternatives;

Remove all reference to the Parish Church.

Moved by Councillor Bobby McGill. Seconded by Councillor Kenneth Earle.

- *The Provost agreed to a short adjournment at this point in the proceedings (1.24 pm) to allow members opportunity to consider the amendment. The meeting resumed at 1.30 pm.*

Voting

The amendment was carried by 9 votes to 5.

Councillor Carrick withdrew from the meeting at 2.00 pm following the vote on the amendment. Thirteen members remained present.

Procedural Motion (SO 27)

Councillor Womersley moved that the matter be put to the vote. The Provost refused to accept the motion and allowed Councillor McGill a further two minutes to speak.

Councillor Womersley asked for a roll call vote on the motion (as amended). The Council agreed that a vote be taken by calling the roll and at this stage there were 13 Members present who were eligible to vote. On the roll being called the Members present voted as follows:

For the motion (as amended) (7 votes)

Provost Derek Stewart
Councillor George Matchett
Councillor Rev Sam Ovens
Councillor Bobby McGill
Councillor Janet Cadenhead
Councillor Kenneth Earle
Councillor Harry McLaren

Against the motion (as amended) (6 votes)

Councillor John Biggam
Councillor Walter McAdam
Councillor Janis Paterson
Councillor Donald Balsillie
Councillor Mark English
Councillor Gary Womersley

The motion as amended was carried by 7 votes to 6.

Decision

Accordingly, the Council agreed to support the motion as amended:

To add an additional item (d) to paragraph 1.1 of the report

(d) protecting and enhancing service, and

To approve in principle:

- (a) The revised accommodation portfolio detailed in Section 7 Option 4(b). The implications are as follows:
- (1) Community Centre - declare surplus to requirements and dispose of the site on the open market.
 - (2) Former Family Centre - redevelop as community hub and provide service for early years groups displaced from the Community Centre and the Library/CAP, rent offices, serving community groups previously using the Community Centre and a number of the groups that work from the Family Centre with the Library/CAP and rent office.
 - (3) Existing Library/CAP - redevelop as 3 social houses for rent.
 - (4) Primary School/Fir Park ski centre (Fir Park Campus) - enhancement of the existing nursery with investment to improve the buildings overall condition in the medium-long term. Enable increased and sustainable community use of the campus outwith normal school hours, where this is compatible with the life and security of the primary school.
 - (5) Devonvale Hall - retain lease with Community Trust and develop further community access.
 - (6) Centenary Hall - retain lease with Community Trust and develop further community access.
- (b) Subject to full consultation with the community and with particular reference to former users of the Hillfoots Family Centre, current and former users of the Tillicoultry Community Centre to ensure all groups are provided with an equivalent level of accommodation.
- (c) Subject to the provision by the Joint Head of Social Services of an updated Early Years Framework, prepared with partners, families and other stakeholders.

Appendix 1 (page 249) - Alternative Accommodation for Community Centre Users: Toddlers' Group (Proposed Alternatives) - remove all reference to the Parish Church.

Action

Director of Services to Communities/Head of Facilities Management

CC.36 VACANT/SURPLUS COUNCIL LAND AND BUILDINGS - SALES AND ACQUISITION STRATEGY

A report which indicated progress and sought governance for proposed sales and acquisitions was submitted by the Head of Facilities Management. Sales and acquisitions form part of the Property Asset Management Plan 2010-15 and are a fundamental part of the Council's 2010/11 General Services Capital Programme.

A report will be provided to Council on a biannual basis to update members on progress and obtain governance on marketing of vacant/surplus property; approval for individual sales and/or acquisitions will be subject of separate detailed reports to Council.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor George Matchett. Seconded by Councillor Rev Sam Ovens.

Councillor Balsillie asked that it be recorded in the minute that he "firmly believes that the car park that forms part of Alva Swimming Pool is common good land and was subject to a donation from James Johnstone in 1856 to create pleasure grounds and a park (Johnstone Park) for the citizens of Alva and, indeed, that vested interest is still held, largely through the Alva Games Committee."

The Provost invited the Director of Services to Communities to respond to Councillor Balsillie.

The Director advised the Council that this matter had been the subject of a detailed enquiry by the MSP and a full explanation has been provided by the Council's Legal Services. Advice from Legal Services is that the area in question was acquired by the County Council (as education authority) from Alva Town Council in 1962 by way of a statutory conveyance which removed this area from the Johnstone Park and thus from the common good and, additionally, extinguished any type of conditions affecting the land.

Councillor George Matchett asked that it be recorded in the minute that Alva Swimming Pool has been offered a period of 2 months in which to allow those who are compiling and putting forward a business case to show the viability and sustainability of that business case both in financial and operational terms. The pool will close on the designated date but will remain under Council control in a care and maintenance order until such times as the business case is properly examined and a decision made on it.

Voting

On a division of 7 votes to 6, the motion was carried.

Decision

Accordingly, the Council agreed to:

- (a) Note the progress of current transactions and properties for sale in paragraphs 3.4 and 3.5 of the report.
- (b) Approve the properties to be declared surplus and the recommendations set out in paragraph 3.6 of the report, including all costs of sale recognising that these costs will need to be funded in advance of cashing a capital receipt.
- (c) Authorise the Head of Facilities Management to negotiate on behalf of the council with the NHS to purchase the strategic Marshall site with a detailed report being provided at a future Council meeting for approval of any acquisition.

Action

Director of Services to Communities

- *Councillor McAdam withdrew from the meeting during discussion of the following item (2.34 pm) (12 members remained present)*

CC.37 15A MAR STREET: PROPOSED SALE TO ACE

A report which sought Council approval for the sale of a warehouse at 15A Mar Street, Alloa, to Alloa Community Enterprises Ltd, was submitted by the Head of Facilities Management.

ACE Recycling Group CIC is a wholly owned subsidiary of Alloa Community Enterprises Ltd (ACE) and is a private company limited by shares. Launched in 1984, ACE is a company limited by guarantee with charitable status.

Motion

That Council declares the building as surplus to requirements and approves the sale of 15A Mar Street to Alloa Community Enterprises Ltd at £1 subject to meeting the Terms of Transaction set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor George Matchett. Seconded by Councillor Rev Sam Ovens.

Decision

The Council agreed:

- (a) To declare the building as surplus to requirements; and
- (b) The sale of 15A Mar Street to Alloa Community Enterprises Ltd at £1, subject to meeting the Terms of Transaction as set out in Section 3 of the report.

Action

Director of Services to Communities

- *The meeting adjourned at this point (2.50 pm) and resumed at 2.55 pm*

CC.38 THE FUTURE PROVISION OF EDUCATION IN ALLOA WEST

A report which concluded the consultation about the future of education in Alloa West was submitted by the Interim Head of Education. Approval from Council to consult with all interested parties was granted at the meeting on 27 January 2011; the consultation exercise was carried out in accordance with the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010. Four options were the subject of consultation.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report (Option 4).

Moved by Councillor George Matchett. Seconded by Councillor Kenneth Earle.

Amendment

"Add recommendation 2.4 (page 298):

Any new build will incorporate in at the design stage the capacity to accommodate a pupil teacher ration of 18:1 in classes P1-P3 for current and projected school roles."

Moved by Councillor Mark English. Seconded by Councillor Gary Womersley.

Councillor Matchett asked that it be recorded in the minute that the overall support of HMIE is for Option 4, the building of a new primary school on the Redwell site. The HMIE report concludes that "the proposal to build a new merged school will help to ensure that the council is meeting its statutory duties, including those relating to provision of adequate and sufficient school places whilst securing best value in the efficient and effective use of its resources".

Voting

For the amendment - 5 votes

Against the amendment - 7 votes

The amendment was defeated by 7 votes to 5.

Councillor McGill asked for a roll call vote on the motion. The Council agreed that a vote be taken by calling the roll and at this stage there were 12 Members present who were eligible to vote. On the roll being called the Members present voted as follows:

For the motion (8 votes)

Provost Derek Stewart
Councillor George Matchett
Councillor Rev Sam Ovens
Councillor Bobby McGill
Councillor Janet Cadenhead
Councillor Kenneth Earle
Councillor Harry McLaren
Councillor John Biggam

Against the motion (4 votes)

Councillor Janis Paterson
Councillor Donald Balsillie
Councillor Mark English
Councillor Gary Womersley

The motion was carried by 8 votes to 4.

Decision

Accordingly, the Council agreed to :

- (1) note the contents of the consultation report which reflects the range of views of the consultees.
- (2) approve Option 4 which would mean that a new school for the combined pupils of St John's and Claremont Primary Schools would be designed and built on the Redwell site and for which funding from the Scottish Futures Trust of £4,053,750 has been secured as a contribution to the total estimated cost of building of £8,736,374.
- (3) declare St John's and Claremont Primary School buildings surplus to requirements to ensure a resolution to the appropriate disposal of the properties as quickly as possible.

Action

Interim Head of Education

- *The meeting adjourned at this point in the proceedings (3.39 pm) to consider 2 items of urgent business. The meeting resumed at 3.45 pm. Twelve members remained present when the meeting resumed.*

CC.39 APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

A report which sought Council approval of the process to appoint a new Chief Executive to Clackmannanshire Council was submitted by the Chief Executive as an item of urgent business. The Chief Executive has tendered her resignation effective from the end of September 2011 to take up the post of Chief Executive of East Lothian Council.

In terms of Standing Order 10.2, the report was taken as a matter of urgent business to allow the Council the opportunity to consider the process for appointing a new Chief Executive as soon as possible given written confirmation of the Chief Executive's appointment by East Lothian Council had only recently been received.

Motion

That Council approves the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Rev Ovens. Seconded by Councillor Bobby McGill.

Decision

The Council agreed to:

- (a) proceed to recruit to the post of Chief Executive through open external competition;
- (b) establish an Appointment Committee with delegated authority for the recruitment and appointment to the post of Chief Executive;
- (c) nominate members to the Appointment Committee on the basis set out in section 3 of the report; and
- (d) delegate authority to the Appointment Committee to delegate duties and responsibilities including transfer of duties and responsibilities of chief officers (if required) in order to ensure continued discharge of the Council's functions to cover the period from when the present Chief Executive leaves the organisation until a new Chief Executive takes up post.

Nominations

The Council agreed the following nominations to the Appointment Committee:

Appointment Committee Chair

Councillor Rev Sam Ovens (Leader of the Council)

Administration (Labour) Members (2)

Councillor Bobby McGill (Depute Chair)

Councillor Janet Cadenhead (Committee Member)

Opposition Group (SNP) Members (2)

Councillor Gary Womersley, Leader of the Opposition, to provide SNP nominations to the Chief Executive/Committee Chair.

Opposition Member (Independent or Liberal Democrat) (1)

The Chief Executive to seek the nomination of one non-SNP opposition member (from either Councillor Craig Holden or Councillor John Biggam) outwith today's meeting.

Action

Chief Executive

EXEMPT INFORMATION

The Council resolved in terms of Section 50(A) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1973, that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involved respectively the likely disclosure of exempt information as detailed in Schedule 7A, Part 1, Paragraphs 6 and 9.

CC.40 SALE OF LAND - DUMYAT BUSINESS PARK

A report which sought approval for the sale of undeveloped land was submitted by the Head of Community and Regulatory Services.

Councillor Gary Womersley and Councillor Rev Sam Ovens declared an interest in this item as Directors of CSBP Clackmannanshire Developments Ltd. Councillors Womersley and Ovens withdrew from the Council Chamber during consideration of this item and took no part in the debate or decision on this matter.

Motion

That Council agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor George Matchett. Seconded by Councillor Donald Balsillie.

Decision

The Council agreed unanimously the recommendation set out in the report.

Action

Head of Community and Regulatory Services

- *Councillor Mark English withdrew at this point in the proceedings and Councillors Ovens and Womersley returned to the meeting. (4.20 pm). Eleven members remained present. Councillor Rev Sam Ovens subsequently withdrew during consideration of the following item (4.33 pm) Ten members remained present from 4.33 pm.*

CC.41 SALE OF FORMER ALLOA ACADEMY SITE, ALLOA

A report which sought approval by Council for the sale of the former Alloa Academy Site was submitted by the Head of Facilities Management.

In terms of Standing Order 10.2, the report was taken as a matter of urgent business due to an offer being received on the understanding that this be concluded timeously.

Motion

That Council agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor George Matchett. Seconded by Councillor Bobby McGill.

Decision

The Council agreed the recommendation set out in the report.

Action

Head of Facilities Management

ENDS 4.40 pm