



MINUTES OF MEETING of the CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL held within the Council Chamber, Greenfield, Alloa, FK10 2AD, on THURSDAY 13 MARCH 2014 at 10.00 am

PRESENT

Provost Tina Murphy (In the Chair)
Councillor Donald Balsillie
Councillor Janet Cadenhead
Councillor Alastair Campbell
Councillor Archie Drummond
Councillor Kenneth Earle
Councillor Ellen Forson
Councillor Kathleen Martin
Councillor George Matchett
Councillor Walter McAdam
Councillor Bobby McGill
Councillor Les Sharp
Councillor Jim Stalker
Councillor Derek Stewart
Councillor Graham Watt
Councillor Gary Womersley

IN ATTENDANCE

Elaine McPherson, Chief Executive
Nikki Bridle, Director of Finance and Corporate Services
Stuart Crickmar, Head of Strategy and Customer Services
David Leng, Head of Education
Cherie- Ann Jarvie, Strategy and Performance Manager
Liz Shaw, Chief Accountant
Andrew Wyse, Solicitor, Clerk to the Council

CC.188/184 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Craig Holden and Councillor Irene Hamilton.

CC.189 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

CC.190 MINUTES OF MEETINGS: CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL

(a) Minutes of Meeting: Thursday 19 December 2013

The minutes of meeting of the Clackmannanshire Council held on 19 December 2013 were submitted for approval.

CC.172 (page 10) Notice of Amendments to Council Standing Orders

The Provost advised that it had not been possible to include the final report on amendments to standing orders in this agenda. Accordingly, notice is hereby given that the amendments to Standing Orders will be reported to the next full Council meeting for approval (15/05/14).

Decision

The minutes of the meeting of the Clackmannanshire Council held on 19 December 2013 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Provost.

(b) Minutes of Special Meeting: Friday 21 February 2014

The minutes of a special meeting of the Clackmannanshire Council held on 21 February 2014 were submitted for approval.

Decision

The minutes of the special meeting of the Clackmannanshire Council held on 21 February 2014 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Provost.

CC.191 COMMITTEE MEETINGS CONVENED SINCE THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING ON 19 DECEMBER 2013

The Council agreed to note the committee meetings that have taken place since the last Council meeting on 19 December 2013.

Housing, Health and Care Committee	22/01/14
Enterprise and Environment Committee	30/01/14
Education, Sport and Leisure Committee	04/02/14
Resources and Audit Sub Committee	19/02/14
Resources and Audit Committee	11/03/14

CC.192 LEADER'S BRIEFING

A briefing report which informed elected members of a range of issues and activities and covered the period from the end of December 2013 to February 2014 was submitted by the Leader of the Council.

The Council agreed to note the information set out in the report.

CC.193 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS REFERRED TO COUNCIL

A report which sought Council approval of recommendations made by committees during the December 2013-February 2014 cycle of meetings was submitted by the Chief Executive.

Motion

That Council agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Gary Womersley. Seconded by Councillor Donald Balsillie.

Decision

The Council agreed unanimously to:

- (1) from the Housing, Health and Care Committee of 22 January 2014 in relation to the report entitled "Proposed Affordable Housing Development at Alloa Road, Tullibody", to ratify the decision of the Committee to:
 - Pursue new affordable housing development partnerships with Kingdom Housing Association and other Registered Social Landlords as required.
 - Transfer the 1.3 acre development site on the plan to the Housing Revenue Account based on the District Valuer's valuation, subject to any Scottish Government approvals required, and:
 - Sell the 1.3 acre site shown on the plan to a Registered Social Landlord for social rented housing at a value to be determined in association with the District Valuer.
- (2) from the Enterprise and Environment Committee of 30 January 2014 in relation to the report entitled "Draft Lands Asset Management Plan 2013/18" to ratify the decision of the Committee to:
 - Approve the Lands Asset Management Plan 2013/18
- (3) from the Education, Sport and Leisure Committee of 4 February 2014 in relation to a "Notice of Motion in Terms of Standing Order 16.0 - Support for Scotland's Families" to ratify the decision of the Committee to:
 - Welcome the Scottish Government's announcement that families and young people across Scotland will benefit from millions of pounds of additional funding to support free school meals and a significant expansion in child care provision, which will deliver:
 - (i) 600 hours of free nursery education for all 2 year olds in workless households from August 2014.
 - (ii) the extension of 600 hours of free child care to 2 year olds from families in receipt of a range of benefits from August 2015.
 - (iii) £3.5m in 2014-15 to support an additional 2,000 child care workers.
 - (iv) from January 2015, free school meals for all children in primaries 1-3
 - Express its commitment to delivering this package for families across Clackmannanshire.

Action

Chief Executive/Directors

CC.194 NOMINATIONS TO APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEES

A report which sought Council agreement of membership of forthcoming Appointments Committees was submitted by the Chief Executive.

At a special meeting of the Council held on 21 February 2014, Council agreed to advertise two vacant Head of Service posts and recruit by an Appointments Committee. In addition, Council agreed to designate a Director post as Depute Chief Executive to be decided by an Appointments Committee.

Motion

That Council agrees the nominations of an elected member from outwith the Administration and Opposition to sit on the Appointments Committees as:

- (a) Appointments Committee for the Head of Resources and Governance - Councillor Archie Drummond
- (b) Appointments Committee for the Head of Development and Environment - Councillor Alastair Campbell
- (c) Appointments Committee for the Depute Chief Executive - Councillor Archie Drummond

Moved by Councillor Gary Womersley. Seconded by Councillor Donald Balsillie.

Decision

The Council agreed unanimously to approve the nominations of an elected member from outwith the Administration and Opposition to sit on the Appointments Committees as:

- (a) Appointments Committee for the Head of Resources and Governance - Councillor Archie Drummond
- (b) Appointments Committee for the Head of Development and Environment - Councillor Alastair Campbell
- (c) Appointments Committee for the Depute Chief Executive - Councillor Archie Drummond

Three SNP members to be notified in due course.

Councillor McGill intimated that he (Councillor McGill) and Councillor Cadenhead would be the two Opposition members on the Appointments Committees.

Action

Chief Executive

**CC.195 LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR SOCLTAND:
FIFTH REVIEWS OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS**

A report which advised Council of the Fifth Reviews of Local Government Electoral Arrangements which were announced by the Local Boundary Commission for Scotland on 25 February 2014 and sought views on the proposals for councillor numbers, was submitted by the Chief Executive.

Motion

That Council agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Gary Womersley. Seconded by Councillor Donald Balsillie.

Decision

The Council agreed unanimously to :

- (a) note that the Fifth Reviews of Local Government Electoral Arrangements began in February 2014.
- (b) note that there are no proposals to change the number of councillors in Clackmannanshire.
- (c) support the presumption of 18 elected members as a minimum number of elected members for any council and advise the Boundary Commission accordingly.
- (d) note that a report will come before Council at the next stage of the review when wards and boundaries will be considered.

Action

Chief Executive

CC.196 TREASURY MANAGEMENT UPDATE AT 30th SEPTEMBER 2013

A report which presented an update of Treasury Management activity for the period to 30 September 2013 was submitted by the Chief Accountant.

The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) Code of Practice for Treasury Management recommends that members be updated on treasury management activities regularly (annual and mid year reports).

Motion

That Council agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Gary Womersley. Seconded by Councillor Donald Balsillie.

Decision

The Council agreed to note and consider the mid year review of the Council's Treasury Management activities.

CC.197 EARLY YEARS COLLABORATIVE

A report which brought Council up to date with the Council's and Clackmannanshire Alliance's involvement in the Early Years Collaborative (EYC) following an event which was held in January 2014 to review and share progress was submitted by the Chief Executive.

Motion

That Council agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Gary Womersley. Seconded by Councillor Ellen Forson.

Decision

The Council agreed unanimously to note the Council's and the Alliance's continued engagement in the EYC and the positive impact of that engagement to date.

CC.198 SCHOOL HOLIDAY LUNCH CLUBS - PROGRESS REPORT

A report which updated the Council on progress in preparing a draft scheme for the provision of meals to children who ordinarily receive free school meals during the school holidays was submitted by the Strategy and Performance Manager.

Motion

That Council agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Ellen Forson. Seconded by Councillor Bobby McGill.

Decision

The Council agreed unanimously to note:

- (a) Progress in developing a draft scheme; and
- (b) That full delivery and cost models will be presented to Council for consideration in May 2014

Action

Head of Strategy and Customer Services

Ends 10.27 am