



**MINUTES OF MEETING of the CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL held within the Council Chamber, Patons Building, Kilncraigs, Alloa, FK10 1EB, on THURSDAY 14 AUGUST 2014 at 10.00 am.**

**PRESENT**

Provost Tina Murphy (In the Chair)  
Councillor Donald Balsillie  
Councillor Alastair Campbell  
Councillor Archie Drummond  
Councillor Kenneth Earle  
Councillor Ellen Forson  
Councillor Irene Hamilton  
Councillor Craig Holden  
Councillor Kathleen Martin  
Councillor George Matchett, QPM  
Councillor Bobby McGill  
Councillor Les Sharp  
Councillor Jim Stalker  
Councillor Derek Stewart  
Councillor Graham Watt  
Councillor Gary Womersley

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Elaine McPherson, Chief Executive  
Garry Dallas, Executive Director  
Val De Souza, Head of Social Services  
Liz Shaw, Chief Accountant  
Andrew Wyse, Solicitor, Clerk to the Council

Before the start of business, on behalf of the Council, the Provost welcomed everyone to the first meeting of Clackmannanshire Council to be held in the new Council Chamber. The Leader of the Council presented the Provost with a gavel and plinth in honour of the occasion.

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The Provost intimated that there will be a Kirkin' of the Council on Sunday 5th October 2014 at Dollar Parish Church.

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**CC.234            APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Walter McAdam, MBE and Councillor Janet Cadenhead.

**CC.235            DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**CC.236            MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL HELD  
ON THURSDAY 26 JUNE 2014**

The minutes of the meeting of the Clackmannanshire Council held on Thursday 26 June 2014 were submitted for approval.

**Decision**

The minutes of the meeting of the Clackmannanshire Council held on Thursday 26 June 2014 were agreed as a correct record of proceedings and signed by the Provost.

**CC.237            COMMITTEE MEETINGS CONVENED SINCE THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL  
MEETING ON 26 JUNE 2014**

The Council agreed to note the committee meetings that have taken place since the last Council meeting on 26 June 2014:

- Education Appeals Committee 04/07/14, 09/07/14 and 22/07/14

**CC.238            NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO STANDING ORDERS**

Notice was given by Councillor Gary Womersley at the meeting of the Council on Thursday 26 June 2014 under Standing Order 20.7, of intention to bring to Council proposals to amend Standing Orders. No such proposals have been submitted and, therefore, no substantive report was submitted to this meeting.

In terms of Standing Order 20.7, Councillor Bobby McGill gave notice that proposals to amend Standing Orders will be brought before the next meeting of the Council on 23 October 2014.

**CC.239            REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES - OCHILVIEW HOUSING  
ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Councillor Les Sharp had submitted his resignation as the Council's representative on Ochilview Housing Association management Committee. The purpose of the report, submitted by the Chief Executive, was to seek a decision from Council on its future representation on the Management Committee.

**Motion**

That the Council does not wish to continue to have a representative on the Management Committee of Ochilview Housing Association.

Moved by Councillor Gary Womersley. Seconded by Councillor Les Sharp.

**Voting**

For the motion	8 votes
Against the motion	7 votes
Abstain from voting	1 abstention

On a division of 8 votes to 7 with 1 abstention, **the Motion was carried.**

## Decision

On a division of 8 votes to 7 with 1 abstention, the Council agreed that it does not wish to continue to have a representative on the Management Committee of Ochilview Housing Association.

## Action

Chief Executive

## CC.240 APPOINTMENT TO LICENSING BOARD

The report, submitted by the Chief Executive, resulted from the intimation from Councillor Archie Drummond on 22 July 2014 of his resignation from the Licensing Board. The report invited the Council to consider the appointment of a replacement for Councillor Drummond and the number of members appointed to the Board. The options for consideration were set out in paragraph 3.5 of the report.

### Motion 1

Having considered the options set out in Paragraph 3.5 of the report, that the Council appoints another member to the Licensing Board to replace Councillor Drummond and one further member to the Board to provide increased availability of members to serve on the Board or its sub-committees. Appointments are to be notified to the Chief Executive within one working week - one member is to come from the Administration and one member from the main Opposition.

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

### Motion 2

Having considered the options set out in Paragraph 3.5 of the report, that the Council appoints another member to the Licensing Board to replace Councillor Drummond and two further members to the Board to provide increased availability of members to Service on the Board or its sub-committees. Appointments are to be agreed between the Administration and main Opposition.

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

After further discussion, on Councillor Womersley asking that the matter be put to the vote, the Provost agreed to put the matter to the vote.

## Voting

For Motion 1	7 votes
For Motion 2	8 votes
Abstain from voting	1 abstention

On a division of 8 votes to 7 with 1 abstention, **Motion 2 was carried.**

## Decision

On a division of 8 votes to 7 with 1 abstention, the Council agreed to appoint another member to the Licensing Board to replace Councillor Drummond and two further members to the Board to provide increased availability of members to Service on the Board or its sub-committees. Appointments are to be agreed between the Administration and main Opposition.

## **Action**

Chief Executive

### **CC.241 BUDGET STRATEGY UPDATE**

The purpose of the report, submitted by the Depute Chief Executive, was to maintain the Council's regular update on the medium term financial outlook and indicative funding gap. The report also provided an update on the latest Finance Circular, the new Community Development Grants (CDG) process and the Budget 2015/16 preparation timetable.

#### **Motion**

To agree the recommendations set out in the report.

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

#### **Decision**

The Council unanimously agreed to note:

1. the financial outlook set out in paragraphs 3.1 to 3.3 of the report;
2. the potential impact of the updated 2015/16 funding allocations as set out in Local Government Finance Circular 6/2014 and summarised in Exhibit 1 of the report;
3. the revised indicative funding gap to 2017/18 of £20.2m (Exhibit 2 of the report) taking account of the provisional allocations set out in Exhibit 1 of the report;
4. the potential range of the indicative financial gap from £20.2 million to £22.6 million as a consequence of the pay inflation scenarios set out in Exhibit 3 of the report;
5. the key milestones and associated indicative timelines for the preparation of the 2015/16 Budget (set out in Appendix A of the report);
6. the progress with the implementation of the redesigned Budget Challenge process and the scheduled briefings for elected members and Trade Unions in late August 2014 (set out in paragraph 4.11 of the report); and
7. the progress in the implementation of the Community Development Grant Scheme under the administration of the Capital Investment Group (set out in paragraph 4.14 of the report).

### **CC.242 HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION**

The report, submitted by the Head of Social Services, provided an update on progress in taking forward health and care integration further to the decision by Council in June 2014 to pursue this based on the body corporate model of governance and jointly with Stirling Council.

#### **Motion**

To agree the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Gary Womersley. Seconded by Councillor Les Sharp.

**Decision**

The Council agreed to note:

- a. the progress which has been made in taking forward health and care integration; and
- b. the intention to submit a draft consultative Scheme of Integration to partners in October 2014.

**Action**

Head of Social Services

**CC.243            PROPOSED CLACKMANNANSHIRE AND STIRLING FORESTRY AND WOODLAND STRATEGY**

The report, submitted by the Executive Director, sought approval of the Proposed Clackmannanshire and Stirling Forestry and Woodland Strategy and described the process undertaken to date.

**Motion**

To agree the recommendations set out in the report.

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

**Decision**

The Council unanimously agreed to approve the proposed Clackmannanshire and Stirling Forestry and Woodland Strategy.

**Action**

Executive Director

**Ends: 11.20am**

