



**MINUTES OF MEETING of the CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL held within the Council Chamber, Patons Building, Kilncraigs, ALLOA, FK10 1EB, on THURSDAY 3 MARCH 2016 at 10.00 am.**

**PRESENT**

Provost Tina Murphy  
Councillor Donald Balsillie  
Councillor Janet Cadenhead  
Councillor Alastair Campbell  
Councillor Archie Drummond  
Councillor Kenneth Earle  
Councillor Ellen Forson  
Councillor Irene Hamilton  
Councillor Craig Holden  
Councillor Kathleen Martin  
Councillor George Matchett  
Councillor Walter McAdam  
Councillor Les Sharp  
Councillor Jim Stalker  
Councillor Derek Stewart  
Councillor Graham Watt  
Councillor Gary Womersley

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Elaine McPherson, Chief Executive  
Nikki Bridle, Depute Chief Executive  
Stuart Crickmar, Head of Strategy and Customer Services  
Val de Souza, Head of Social Services  
Ahsan Khan, Head of Housing and Community Safety (Items 9-10)  
David Leng, Head of Education  
Lindsay Sim, Acting Chief Accountant  
Andrew Wyse, Acting Legal Services Manager (Clerk to the Council)

**CC.387 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Bobby McGill.

**CC.388 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**CC.389 MINUTES OF MEETING: CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL**

**(i) Minutes of Meeting held on 17 December 2015**

The minutes of the meeting of the Clackmannanshire Council held on Thursday 17 December 2015 were submitted for approval.

## **Decision**

The minutes of the meeting of the Clackmannanshire Council held on Thursday 17 December 2015 were agreed as a correct record of proceedings and signed by the Provost.

### **(ii) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 4 February 2016**

The minutes of the special meeting of the Clackmannanshire Council held on Thursday 4 February 2016 were submitted for approval.

## **Decision**

The minutes of the special meeting of the Clackmannanshire Council held on Thursday 4 February 2016 were agreed as a correct record of proceedings and signed by the Provost.

### **CC.390 COMMITTEE MEETINGS CONVENED SINCE THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING ON 17 DECEMBER 2015**

The Council agreed to note the Committee meetings that had taken place since the last ordinary Council meeting on 17 December 2015.

- (i) Enterprise and Environment Committee on 14/01/16
- (ii) Clackmannanshire Licensing Board on 19/01/16 and 01/03/16
- (iii) Regulatory Committee on 26/01/16
- (iv) Housing, Health and Care Committee on 28/01/16
- (v) Education, Sport and Leisure Committee on 04/02/16
- (vi) Resources and Audit Sub Committee on 17/02/16
- (vii) Resources and Audit Committee on 25/02/16
- (viii) Appointments Committee on 28/01/16, 12/02/16 and 02/03/16

### **CC.391 LEADER'S BRIEFING**

A briefing report which covered the period from December 2015 to February 2016 was submitted by the Leader of the Council. The purpose of the report was to inform all elected members of a range of issues and activities which the Leader of the Council had been engaged with in the past quarter. The briefing was intended to assist in raising awareness amongst elected members of a number of matters which affect the Council or the area and, as such, inform future workstreams.

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

### **CC.392 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS REFERRED TO COUNCIL**

A report was submitted by the Chief Executive which sought Council approval of recommendations which have been made by Committees during the December 2015 to February 2016 cycle of meetings.

An updated version of the report was re-issued to all elected members on 25 February 2016. The report had been updated to incorporate recommendations to Council which were made at the Resources and Audit Committee on 25 February that required Council consideration in this financial year.

## **Motion**

That Council agrees the recommendations set out in the updated version of the report.

Moved by Councillor Les Sharp. Seconded by Councillor Donald Balsillie.

## **Decision**

The Council agreed:

- (1) From the Enterprise and Environment Committee of 14 January 2016 in relation to the report entitled, "Local Flood Risk Management Planning Report (2016-1021)"
  - That any additional funding allocated to local authorities by the Scottish Government for flood mitigation management, is spent entirely on the specific purposes of flood management for which it is used.
- (2) From the Resources and Audit Sub-Committee of 17 February 2016 in relation to the report entitled, "Resources and Audit Sub-Committee Forward Plan"
  - To approve the Forward Plan for 2016/17 as set out in the Appendix to the report.
- (3) From the Resources and Audit Committee of 25 February 2016 in relation to the report entitled "Council Financial Performance 2015-16"
  - To give authority for the Social Work overspend in 2015-16 in line with Financial Regulation 4.4.
  - In respect of the utilisation of the full amount of Tranche 2 DWP DHP funding, to authorise expenditure of up to £156k for the mitigation of welfare reform in line with Financial Regulations and the Council's current DHP policy.

## **Action**

Chief Executive

## **CC.393 RESOURCES AND AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE**

A report which sought Council approval for Resources and Audit Sub-Committee business to be considered by the full Resources and Audit Committee in future was submitted by the Head of Strategy and Customer Services. This would remove the need for the Resources and Audit Sub-Committee as it currently exists.

## **Motion**

That Council agrees that the Resources and Audit Committee resume the functions delegated to the Resources and Audit Sub-Committee which will then cease to exist.

Moved by Councillor Les Sharp. Seconded by Councillor Archie Drummond.

## **Decision**

The Council agreed that the Resources and Audit Committee resume the functions delegated to the Resources and Audit Sub-Committee and that the Sub-Committee ceases to exist.

## **Action**

Head of Strategy and Customer Services

**CC.394 TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT 2016/17**

A report which presented the Council's Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2016/17 was submitted by the Acting Chief Accountant.

**Motion**

That Council approves the Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2016/17 attached as Appendix A of the report.

Moved by Councillor Les Sharp. Seconded by Councillor Donald Balsillie.

**Decision**

The Council agreed to approve the Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2016/17 (attached as Appendix A of the report).

**Action**

Depute Chief Executive

**CC.395 TREASURY MANAGEMENT UPDATE AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2015**

A report which presented Council with an update of Treasury Management activity for the period to 30 September 2015 was submitted by the Acting Chief Accountant.

The CIPFA Code of Practice for Treasury Management recommends that Council be updated on treasury management activities regularly. The mid year report therefore ensures the Council is implementing best practice in accordance with the Code.

**Motion**

That Council agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Les Sharp. Seconded by Councillor Donald Balsillie.

**Decision**

Having considered and discussed the mid year review of the Council's Treasury Management activities, the Council agreed to note the update of Treasury Management activity for the period to 30th September 2015.

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At this point in the proceedings, Councillor Graham Watt gave notice of amendment to Standing Orders at the next meeting of the Council (12 May 2016).

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## **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 item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as detailed in Schedule 7A, Part 1, Paragraph 9.

### **CC.396 PRIMROSE PLACE, ALLOA**

A report was submitted by the Head of Housing and Community Safety which sought approval to make funding available to support the development of new affordable housing to support the regeneration of Alloa town centre.

#### **Motion**

That Council agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Les Sharp. Seconded by Councillor Donald Balsillie.

#### **Decision**

The Council agreed to approve the recommendation set out in the report.

#### **Action**

Head of Housing and Community Safety

Ends 1105 hrs

