



**MINUTES OF MEETING of the ENTERPRISE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE held
within the Council Chamber, Patons Building, Kilncraigs, ALLOA, FK10 1EB, on
THURSDAY 21 MAY 2015 at 10.00 am**

PRESENT

Councillor Donald Balsillie, Convenor (In the Chair)
Councillor Irene Hamilton, Vice Convenor
Councillor Alastair Campbell
Councillor Kenneth Earle
Councillor Craig Holden (S)
Councillor Tina Murphy (S)
Councillor Derek Stewart
Councillor Graham Watt

Mr Malcolm McArdle, Co-opted Member (Representing Clackmannanshire Business)
Mr Mike Mulraney, Co-opted Member (Representing Clackmannanshire Business)

IN ATTENDANCE

Gordon McNeil, Head of Development and Environment
Ian Doctor, Regulatory Services Manager
Mac West, Roads and Transportation Manager
Ian Fraser, Strategic Policy Manager
Graeme Cunningham, Environment Manager
Julie Hamilton, Development Services Manager
Andrew G. Wyse, Team Leader, Legal Services (Clerk to the Committee)
Ann Floyd, Acting Service Manager, School Improvement Stirling and Clackmannanshire

The Convenor advised that a motion had been submitted by Councillor Graham Watt regarding Item 6 Supported Bus Services. On the advice of the Clerk, this "motion" would be taken as an amendment to the paper submitted in respect of this Item..

The Convenor reminded the Committee that there would be an adjournment at 11.45 am to facilitate an award ceremony to present Modern Apprentices supported by the Council with their Modern Apprentice Certificates.

EEC.97 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Les Sharp and Councillor Ellen Forson. Apologies were also received from Graham Struthers and Robert Marshall.

Councillor Tina Murphy attended as substitute for Councillor Sharp and Councillor Holden attended as substitute for Councillor Forson.

EEC.104 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Malcolm McArdle declared an interest in Item 7

EEC.105 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 15 JANUARY 2015

The minutes of the meeting of the Enterprise and Environment Committee held on Thursday 15 January 2015 were submitted for approval.

Moved by Councillor Derek Stewart. Seconded by Councillor Tina Murphy.

Decision

The minutes of the meeting of the Enterprise and Environment Committee held on Thursday 15 January 2015 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Convenor.

EEC.106 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIROMENTAL ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2014-15

A report, submitted by the Head of Development and Environment, presented to the Committee details of the Development and Environment performance based on 2014-15 Business Plan.

The Head of Development and Environment advised that there had been an error and an omission in the report. The number of RIDDOR cases on page 34 (DAE PPL 004), in the value column for 2014/15 should be 11 and not 19. In the value column for 2013/14, the missing figure should be 8.

Motion

That Committee agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Donald Balsillie. Seconded by Councillor Irene Hamilton.

Decision

Having commented on and challenged the report, the Committee agreed to note the Development and Environmental Annual Performance report 2014-15.

Mike Mulranney joined the meeting prior to the next item of business.

EEC.107 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT SERVICES: BUSINESS PLAN 2015/16

A report, submitted by the Head of Development and Environment, presented to the Committee the 2015-16 Business Plan for Development and Environment Services.

Motion

That Committee agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Donald Balsillie. Seconded by Councillor Irene Hamilton.

Decision

Having commented on and challenged the report and Plan as appropriate and agreed the performance targets for scrutiny purposes over the next 12 months the Committee agreed to endorse the 2015/16 Business Plan

EEC.108 SUPPORTED BUS SERVICES

A report, submitted by the Head of Development and Environment, detailed forthcoming changes to the Council's financed supported bus services in Clackmannanshire and updated the Committee on Forth Valley Royal Hospital Services ('H' Services).

Motion

That the Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Donald Balsillie. Seconded by Councillor Craig Holden.

Amendment

"This Committee strongly objects to Forth Valley Health Board's decision to withdraw the Sunday service for H1 and H2 bus service to Forth Valley Hospital.

This Committee urges the Council to make representation to Forth Valley Health Board to reinstate an adequate H1 and H2 Sunday bus service to Forth Valley Hospital."

Moved by Councillor Graham Watt. Seconded by Councillor Derek Stewart.

Voting

For the amendment - 4

Against the amendment - 4

On a division of 4 votes to 4, the Amendment failed on the casting vote of the Convenor.

Decision

The Committee agreed to note :

1. the intended changes to the Clackmannanshire Council financed supported bus services as detailed in section 4.3 of the report;
2. the commencement of the revised supported bus services from August 2015, supported by a programme of communication and engagement between May-August 2015;
3. that NHS Forth Valley have extended the current 'H' services up to March 2018 as detailed in section 4.8 of the report.

EEC.109 EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL FUNDS 2014-20

A report submitted by the Head of Development and Environment detailed the new European Social Funds (ESF) programmes for 2014-2020 and outlined how the Council intends to bid into and utilise the new funding programme.

Motion

That the Committee agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Donald Balsillie. Seconded by Councillor Irene Hamilton.

Decision

The Committee agreed to note the:-

1. European Social Fund (ESF) allocation to Clackmannanshire of £1.34m to the end of 2020 and delegated authority to the Chief Executive to accept formal 'Offers of Grant' from the Scottish Government.
2. detail of the development of the ESF programme and how the Council plans to use these funds to enhance the services it delivers to local residents and businesses.

Councillor Campbell withdrew from the meeting prior to the next item of business.

**EEC.110 DEVELOPING SCOTLAND'S YOUNG WORKFORCE AND SUPPORTING
MODERN APPRENTICESHIPS**

A report, submitted by the Head of Development and Environment and the Head of Education informed the Committee of the Council's commitment to support the Developing Scotland's Young Workforce agenda in Clackmannanshire and modern apprenticeships across Council Services.

Motion

That the Committee agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Donald Balsillie. Seconded by Councillor Irene Hamilton.

Decision

The Committee agreed to note:-

1. the development of Education Service's proposals to take forward the implementation of Developing Scotland's Young Workforce in Clackmannanshire and the closer and more integrated working with Economic Development.
2. that the Council has agreed to commit a budget of £75,000 per annum over the next 3 years to increase the number of Modern Apprentices employed across the Council Services.

Ends 12.00 hrs

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Following the conclusion of the Committee business, Councillor Balsillie presented the Modern Apprentices supported by the Council with their Modern Apprenticeship Certificates.

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