

**MINUTES OF MEETING of the SCRUTINY COMMITTEE held within the Council
Chamber, Kilncraigs, ALLOA, FK10 1EB, on THURSDAY 26 OCTOBER 2016 at 10.00
am.**

PRESENT

Councillor Donald Balsillie (Vice Convener) (In the Chair)
Councillor Janet Cadenhead
Councillor Archie Drummond (S)
Councillor Irene Hamilton
Councillor Ellen Forson
Councillor Bobby McGill
Councillor Graham Watt

IN ATTENDANCE

Garry Dallas, Executive Director
Stuart Crickmar, Head of Strategy and Customer Services
Ahsan Khan, Head of Housing and Community Safety
Gordon McNeil, Head of Development and Environment (Item 7)
Anne Pearson, Chief Education Officer (Item 7)
Celia Gray, Head of Social Services (from Item 7)
Andy Wyse, Acting Legal Services Manager, Clerk to the Scrutiny Committee
Cherie-Anne Jarvie, Strategy & Performance Service Manager
Chief Superintendent Stephen McAllister, Divisional Commander, Police Scotland
Chief Inspector Drew Sinclair, Police Scotland
Mervyn Almeida, Police Scotland
Gordon Pryde, Group Manager Stirling and Clackmannanshire, Scottish Fire and Rescue
Service
Joe Andrews, Group Manager Stirling and Clackmannanshire, Scottish Fire and Rescue
Service

SC(16)16 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Les Sharp and Councillor Alastair
Campbell. Councillor Archie Drummond attended as substitute for Councillor Sharp.

SC(16)17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

SC(16)18 CONFIRM MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON 18 AUGUST 2016

The minutes of the meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 18 August 2016 were
submitted for approval.

Decision

The minutes of the meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 18 August 2016 were agreed
as a correct record and signed by the Vice-Convener.

As Chief Superintendent Stephen McAllister had been delayed, the Vice Convener advised that he would take item 5 "Fire Performance Report - Quarter 1 2016/17" as the next item of business.

SC(16)19 FIRE PERFORMANCE REPORT – QUARTER 1 2016/17

A report, submitted by the Local Senior Officer Clackmannanshire and Stirling, provided the Committee with the 2016/17 quarter one performance of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service in Clackmannanshire. The report is based on performance against objectives and targets set out in the Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Clackmannanshire 2014/17.

Motion

That the 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 information set out in the Fire Performance Report Quarter One 2016/17.

SC(16)20 POLICE PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR CLACKMANNANSHIRE QUARTER 1 2016/17

A report was submitted by the Local Police Commander which presented to the Committee information relating to Quarter 1, 2016/17 Performance by Police Scotland.

The Committee heard a presentation on Policing Clackmannanshire Quarter 1 2016/17 from Chief Superintendent Stephen McAllister, Divisional Commander, Police Scotland, and had opportunity to put questions to Chief Superintendent McAllister.

Motion

That the 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 information set out in the Police Performance Report for Clackmannanshire Quarter One 2016/17.

SC(16)21 HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY SERVICE UPDATE

A report was submitted by the Head of Housing and Community Safety which provided the Committee with an update on key areas of work in the service outwith the areas covered in the Performance Report or the Business Plan. The performance report will be presented to Committee at the next meeting.

Motion

That Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Donald Balsillie. Seconded by Councillor Janet Cadenhead.

Decision

Having commented on and challenged the report, the Committee agreed to accept the recommendations made by the Clackmannanshire Scrutiny Panel (as set out in paragraph 4.3 of the report) and to note the remainder of the report

Action

Head of Housing and Community Safety

SC(16)22 CORPORATE PLAN 2012-17 PROGRESS REPORT

A report was submitted by the Head of Strategy and Customer Services which updated the Committee on the Council's Corporate Plan 2012-17; Taking Clackmannanshire Forward.

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 information set out in the Corporate Plan 2012-17 Progress Report.

SC(16)23 COMMUNITY PLANNING UPDATE QUARTER 1 2016/17

A report was submitted by the Strategy and Performance Manager which updated the Committee on Community Planning matters in Clackmannanshire in Quarter 1 of 2016/17. The report summarised activity reported to the Clackmannanshire Alliance Board meeting of 2 September 2016.

Motion

That Committee agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Donald Balsillie. Seconded by Councillor Bobby McGill.

Decision

Having commented on and challenged the report, the Committee agreed to note the information set out in the Community Planning Update quarter 1 2016/17.

The meeting was adjourned for a 2 minute comfort break (12.20 pm). All 7 members remained present.

SC(16)24 SOCIAL SERVICES SCRUTINY REVIEW: PROGRESS REPORT

A report was submitted by the Depute Chief Executive which updated the Committee on activity since the scope document for the Social Services Scrutiny Review was agreed on 21 April 2016. The report also detailed progress against each of the key aspects detailed in the scope document and proposed the next steps for taking forward the review.

Motion

That Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Donald Balsillie. Seconded by Councillor Bobby McGill.

Decision

The Committee agreed to:

- 1) Note the scope, approach, resourcing and reporting arrangements as amended and agreed by the Resources and Audit Committee on 21 April (as set out in paragraphs 3.1 and 3.2 and Appendix 1 of the report)
- 2) Note the activity and progress since April (as set out in paragraphs 3.4 to 3.13 of the report)
- 3) Note progress against the agreed scope (Table 1 of the report)
- 4) Note the complementary work being taken forward by the Service in its Recovery Plan reporting to the Audit and Finance Committee (as set out in paragraph 2.16 of the report)
- 5) Note the realignment of management responsibilities for the review in line with the Chief Officer support provided to committees (as set out in paragraph 3.16 in the report)
- 6) Provide feedback and further direction as appropriate in respect of the progress reported against the scope (Table 1 of the report)
- 7) Provide feedback and further direction as appropriate in respect of the next steps (as set out in paragraphs 3.18 to 3.22 of the report)

Action

Executive Director

Ends 1255 hrs