



MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING of the CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL held via MS Teams, on MONDAY 31 MAY 2021 at 10:00 am.

PRESENT

Provost Tina Murphy (In the Chair)
Councillor Donald Balsillie
Councillor Martha Benny
Councillor Dave Clark
Councillor Denis Coyne
Councillor Chris Dixon
Councillor Kenneth Earle
Councillor Ellen Forson
Councillor Craig Holden
Councillor Darren Lee
Councillor Helen Lewis
Councillor Graham Lindsay
Councillor Jane McTaggart
Councillor Les Sharp
Councillor Derek Stewart
Councillor Mike Watson

IN ATTENDANCE

Nikki Bridle, Chief Executive
Pete Leonard, Strategic Director (Place)
Lorraine Sanda, Strategic Director (People)
Fiona Colligan, Strategic Director (Transformation)
Lindsay Sim, Chief Finance Officer
Murray Sharp, Senior Manager (Place)
Michael Hilarion, Senior Manager (Place)
Chris Alliston, Senior Manager (Partnership & Performance)
Cherie Jarvie, Senior Manager – Partnership & Transformation (Partnership & Performance)
Karen Payton, Team Leader, (Partnership & Performance)
Marjorie McFarlane, Sports Development Manager (People)
Elizabeth Hutcheon, Management Accountancy Team Leader
Wendy Forrest, Health and Social Care Partnership
Lindsay Thomson, Senior Manager (Partnership & Performance) (Clerk to the Council)
Gillian White, Committee Services (Partnership and Performance)

The Provost intimated that an item of urgent business had been submitted by Lindsay Thomson, Senior Manager (Partnership and Performance). The report sought agreement on a final sum in payment as part of a contract negotiation and was likely to be exempt by virtue of Paragraph 6 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as the report was relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (other than the authority). In terms of Standing Order 11.6, the Provost agreed to accept this item onto the agenda as the last item of business. The reason for accepting the item of urgent business was that a decision was needed timeously as part of the contract negotiation.

CC.397 APOLOGIES

Apologies were submitted by Councillor George Matchett QPM and Councillor Kathleen Martin.

CC.398 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

CC.399 LEISURE PROVISION IN CLACKMANNANSHIRE: UPDATE

The report, submitted by Lorraine Sanda, Strategic Director (People), Pete Leonard, Strategic Director (Place), and Fiona Colligan, Strategic Director (Transformation), provided an update on the Stakeholder engagement on future leisure provision across Clackmannanshire; progress on commissioning of feasibility work on a wellbeing complex; interim arrangements being put in place from May-September, and plans thereafter; plans for decommissioning of Alloa Leisure Bowl; and a timeline for next steps.

Motion

That Council agrees the recommendations as set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Craig Holden. Seconded by Councillor Graham Lindsay.

Decision

The Council agreed:

1. To implement the interim arrangement for the period May to September 2021 as set out in paragraph 4.6;
2. To develop interim arrangements for leisure provision for the period October 2021 to financial year 2023/24 as set out in paragraph 4.10;
3. That on the hand over of the Alloa Leisure Bowl building from Wasp Leisure Limited to the Council on 30 June 2021, the management agreement between Wasp Leisure Limited will be terminated and the lease of the building to Wasp Leisure Limited will be terminated; and
4. To declare Alloa Leisure Bowl building surplus to requirements.

The Council also agreed to note that:

5. Subject to approval of recommendation 4 above, officers will put in place arrangements to begin the process of demolition as soon as possible, noting that the funding for which is available within the approved 2021/22 Capital budget (para 7.1);
6. The owned land on which the Alloa Leisure Bowl building resides is retained following demolition;
7. £138K of the £506K annual management fee budget has been committed in line with the handover arrangements, leaving £368K available to fund the development and delivery of interim and longer term arrangements (see para 7.2);
8. Project Management costs are anticipated to be capitalised against the £16.855m approved Capital Budget (para 7.4);
9. Further update reports will be presented to Council.

Action

Monitoring Officer

Councillor Mike Watson joined the meeting prior to the following item of business.

The following item of business had been circulated as an exempt report and had been marked as “Not for publication by virtue of Paragraph 6 of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973”.

The Council resolved in terms of Section 50(a) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1973, that the press and public would be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business.

CC.400 CONTRACT NEGOTIATION

The report, submitted by the Senior Manager, Legal and Governance, sought a decision on a final sum to be paid as part of a contract negotiation.

Motion

That Council agrees the recommendations as set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Craig Holden. Seconded by Councillor Graham Lindsay.

There followed a discussion around the four options open to the Council.

The Provost adjourned the meeting at 12:21 pm to allow the members to discuss the options within their groups and as group leaders. When the meeting resumed at 12:45 pm, 16 members remained present.

Amendment

That recommendation 2.1.3 is amended to read:

That Council wishes to instruct officers to pursue Option Three as set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Chris Dixon. Seconded by Councillor Kenneth Earle.

Decision

The Council agreed the recommendations set out in the report as amended.

Ends: 11:05 am