



**MINUTES OF MEETING of the PLACE COMMITTEE held within the Council Chamber,  
Kilncraigs, Greenside Street, ALLOA, FK10 1EB, on THURSDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2018  
at 9.30 am.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Craig Holden Chair  
Councillor Donald Balsillie (Vice Chair)  
Councillor Martha Benny  
Councillor Kenneth Earle  
Councillor Dave Clark (S)  
Councillor Bill Mason

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Garry Dallas, Strategic Director (Place)  
Kenny Inglis, Land Services Contracts Manager  
Ian Doctor, Service Manager Regulation  
Julie Hamilton, Service Manager Development  
Alan Murray, Team Leader (Traffic and Transportation)  
Lawrence Hunter, Energy and Sustainability Strategy Officer  
Paula Tovey, Chief Accountant (Interim)  
Murray Sharp, Service Manager (Revenues and Strategy)  
Craig Dickson, Accountant  
Donna Tierney, Accountant  
Lindsay Thomson, Service Manager, Legal and Democracy (Clerk to the Committee)  
Melanie Moore, Committee Services

Councillor Holden welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Place Committee.

**PLC(18)01 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Tina Murphy, Councillor Les Sharp and Councillor Derek Stewart. Councillor Dave Clark attended as substitute for Councillor Stewart.

**PLC(18)02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Balsillie declared a personal financial interest in Item 4 – The Removal of Charges for Children's Burials. Councillor Balsillie indicated that he would not participate in discussion and voting on this item.

**PLC(18)03 THE REMOVAL OF CHARGES FOR CHILDREN'S BURIALS**

Clackmannanshire Council currently applies charges for the burial of children and young people aged 17 and under except where an infant is buried in the designated baby area at Sunnyside Cemetery, Alloa. The report, submitted by the Strategic Director (Place), sought approval from Council to withdraw all burial charges for children and young people, as recommended by the Scottish Government and COSLA.

### **Motion**

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

Moved by Councillor Craig Holden. Seconded by Councillor Dave Clark.

### **Decision**

The Committee agreed to recommend that Council:

- a. Cease charging for child burials (the deceased being age 17 and under) from September 2018, and
- b. Continue to charge an interment and maintenance fees together with, if applicable, any headstone fees in the event of any subsequent adult burials in the same lair.

### **Action**

Strategic Director (Place)

## **PLC(18)04 INNER FORTH LANDSCAPE INITIATIVE (IFLI)**

The report, submitted by the Strategic Director (Place), provided information on the significant success of the IFLI project and sought support for the development of further opportunities, including a legacy scheme which will build on the success of IFLI.

### **Motion**

That Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

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

### **Decision**

The Committee agreed to note:

- a. The contents of the report on the success of IFLI, and
- b. That further opportunities are being explored by the Inner Forth Futures Partnership to build on the legacy of the IFLI project and to support the development of the Inner Forth Initiatives.

## **PLC(18)05 ENERGY COMPANY OBLIGATION (ECO) FLEXIBLE ELIGIBILITY – LOCAL AUTHORITY (LA) FLEX**

The report, submitted by the Strategic Director (Place), sought approval for the implementation of a Local Authority (LA) Flex scheme in Clackmannanshire which will open up opportunities for residents of Clackmannanshire to obtain support and assistance to install energy efficiency improvements to their homes. The report also sought approval from Committee for the proposed Statement of Intent (SOI) which indicated the criteria for inclusion within the scheme and declared the Council's support of the initiative.

### **Motion**

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

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

## **Decision**

The Committee agreed to:

- a. Note and support the contents of the report on the development of a Clackmannanshire Council Local Authority Flex scheme, and
- b. Approve the Statement of Intent and the implementation of the LA Flex scheme.

## **Action**

Strategic Director (Place)

### **PLC(18)06 ALVA REGENERATION PROJECT**

The report, submitted by the Strategic Director (Place), advised Committee of proposed works to implement the Alva Regeneration project that has been allocated £550k of capital funds in 2018/19.

## **Motion**

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

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

## **Decision**

The Committee agreed to approve:

- a. The preparation of a traffic management/parking/streetscape enhancement scheme on the A91/Stirling Street for consultation;
- b. The preparation of a roadwork scheme at Alva Primary School/relocated CAP (Brook Street) for consultation; and
- c. The preparation of a town centre/streetscape enhancement plan for Alva.

## **Action**

Strategic Director (Place)

### **PLC(18)07 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE 2018/19 – JUNE OUTTURN**

A report which provided an update on the financial performance for the Place Division of the Council in respect of revenue spend for the current financial year, 2018/19 was submitted by the Chief Accountant (Interim). Capital expenditure will be reported to the Partnership and Performance Committee as part of the overall Council's financial performance report.

## **Motion**

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

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

## **Decision**

The Committee agreed to note:

- The forecast General Fund revenue overspend relating to the Place Division for the year of £1.040m.
- Progress on delivering planned savings in the year.
- The favourable forecast outturn of £(0.439m) on the Housing Revenue Account.
- The forecasted underspend on HRA Capital of £(0.020m).

Ends 1045 hours