

ANGUS COUNCIL

MINUTE of MEETING of the **DEVELOPMENT AND ENTERPRISE COMMITTEE** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar on Tuesday 4 March 2014 at 3.25 pm.

Present: Councillors MAIRI EVANS, LYNNE DEVINE, BILL BOWLES, BILL DUFF, IAIN GAUL, JEANETTE GAUL, MARTYN GEDDES, ALEX KING, IAN McLAREN, DAVID MAY, ROB MURRAY, BOB MYLES, RONNIE PROCTOR and BOB SPINK.

Councillor EVANS, Convener, in the Chair.

1. APOLOGIES/SUBSTITUTES

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Sheila Hands, with Councillor Lynne Devine substituting, and Councillor David Fairweather.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Myles declared a non-financial interest in Report No 123/14 (Article 7) relating to his role as Chair of the Glenesk Trust. He indicated that he would participate in any discussion and voting.

Councillor Jeanette Gaul declared a non-financial interest in Report No 123/14 (Article 7) in that she had been part of the organising committee for Christmas markets. She indicated that she would participate in any discussion and voting.

3. REQUEST FOR DEPUTATION

The Committee agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 12, to hear a deputation from Mr Derek Marshall, a Trustee of Angus Food Bank in relation to Report No 123/14 (Article 7).

Mr Marshall addressed the Committee, explaining that, since setting up in Kirriemuir, Angus Food Bank had required to establish a sub-office in Brechin and its activities were continuing to expand rapidly to meet local need. To maintain the current level of activity and expansion, it was necessary to establish a management post. 50% of the necessary funding for three years had been obtained from the Robertson Trust which had to be matched from other sources or lost. On that basis, Mr Marshall sought the award of £5,000 from the Community Grant Scheme.

Following questions from members, Mr Marshall was thanked for his attendance and withdrew to the public benches.

4. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The [minute of meeting of this Committee of 21 January 2014](#) was approved as a correct record and signed by the Convener.

5. TAYplan MAIN ISSUES REPORT: SCOTLAND'S SusTAYnable REGION 2016-2036

With reference to Article 22 of the minute of meeting of the Infrastructure Services Committee of 21 August 2012, there was submitted [Report No 121/14](#) by the Strategic Director – Communities, seeking ratification of the decision of the Joint Committee of the Dundee, Perth, Angus and North Fife Strategic Development Planning Authority to approve the TAYplan Main Issues Report (MIR) as a basis for consultation, having regard to, and taking account of, the related Environmental Report from the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA), and draft Equalities Impact Assessment.

Publication of the MIR and associated documentation represented a significant milestone towards review of the Strategic Development Plan for the Dundee, Perth, Angus and North Fife areas. Public consultation and engagement on the main issues and options were intended to be held between 15 April and 27 June 2014.

The Committee agreed:-

- (i) to ratify the Joint Committee's decision to approve the Main Issues Report (MIR) as a basis for consultation, and delegate to the Strategic Development Plan Authority Manager authority to submit the MIR to the Scottish Ministers;
- (ii) to have regard to, and to take account of, the Environmental Report (published with this Report as a basis for consultation), drafted by Perth and Kinross Council as the responsible authority, and to note that Perth and Kinross Council was required to publish and submit the Environmental Report;
- (iii) to ratify the Joint Committee's approval of the draft Equalities Impact Assessment as a basis for consultation;
- (iv) to ratify the Joint Committee's approval of the Monitoring Statement and to delegate the SDPA Manager authority to submit it to the Scottish Ministers;
- (v) to note the background Topic Papers (published with this Report); and
- (vi) that in order to inform a consultation response from Angus Council to the published TAYplan MIR, a Member Officer Working Group be established, on the basis detailed in paragraph 3.4 of the Report.

6. ANGUS DEVELOPMENT PLAN SCHEME – 5th ANNUAL REVIEW

With reference to Article 8 of the minute of meeting of the Infrastructure Services Committee of 5 March 2013, there was submitted [Report No 122/14](#) by the Strategic Director – Communities, setting out the 5th Annual Review and roll forward of the Angus Development Plan Scheme, including revisions to the timetable for preparation of the Local Development Plan for Angus.

The Report indicated that the review and roll forward of the Angus Development Plan Scheme set out the revised timetable for the Council to replace the Angus Local Plan Review, which had been adopted on 19 February 2009, with the Angus Local Development Plan.

The Committee agreed:-

- (i) to note the revision and roll forward of the timetable for preparation of the Angus Local Development Plan;
- (ii) to approve the revised Angus Development Plan Scheme and Participation Statement as set out in Appendix 1 to the Report, for submission to Scottish Ministers and general publication by 31 March 2014; and
- (iii) to note that a copy of the revised Angus Development Plan Scheme and Participation Statement would be placed in all Angus Libraries and ACCESS Offices, and made available on the Council's website.

7. ANGUS COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME – NEW APPLICATIONS

With reference to Article 4 of the minute of meeting of the Infrastructure Services Committee on 1 October 2013, there was submitted [Report No 123/14](#) by the Chief Executive, advising as to applications to Angus Council in 2013/2014 of £1,000 or less submitted, and/or approved, since 1 October 2013, and making recommendations on approval of grant awards of over £1,000.

Having regard to the views expressed by the Deputation (Article 3 above), and having heard from Councillors Iain Gaul, May, Spink, Murray and Proctor, the Committee agreed to Angus Food Bank being awarded £5,000 towards supporting a staff post to manage the project for one year on a one-off basis, on the condition that Angus Food Bank withdrew other applications for revenue funding made to other Council-related funding sources.

Thereafter, the Committee agreed:-

- (i) to note the grant awards for 2013/2014 of £1,000 or less made since 1 October 2013;
- (ii) to approve grant awards of over £1,000 recommended for approval since 1 October 2013; and
- (iii) to re-convene the Member/Officer Working Group to monitor the changes to the Angus Community Council Grant Scheme criteria as adopted in October 2013 and as set out in Appendix 1 to the Report, and to consider further changes if required.