

ANGUS COUNCIL

MINUTE of MEETING of the **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar on Tuesday 9 June 2015 at 2.00 pm.

Present: Councillors IAIN GAUL, PAUL VALENTINE, BILL BOWLES, BILL DUFF, MAIRI EVANS, DAVID FAIRWEATHER, COLIN BROWN, MARTYN GEDDES, ALEX KING, IAN MCLAREN, ROB MURRAY, RONNIE PROCTOR MBE, BOB SPINK, MARGARET THOMSON and SHEENA WELSH.

Councillor IAIN GAUL, Convener, in the Chair.

1. **APOLOGIES/SUBSTITUTES**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Craig Fotheringham, Glennis Middleton and Bob Myles with Councillors Colin Brown, Rob Murray and Ronnie Proctor substituting, respectively.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors Alex King, David Fairweather and Martyn Geddes each declared an interest in Item 6 as Council appointees on the Arbroath Golf Course Committee of Management. All indicated that they would participate in any discussion and voting.

3. **MINUTES**

(a) Previous Meeting

The minute of meeting of this Committee of 28 April 2015 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

(b) Police and Fire and Rescue Sub Committee

The minute of meeting of the Police and Fire and Rescue Sub Committee of 28 April, a copy of which is appended hereto, was submitted and noted (**APPENDIX I**).

4. **INFORMATION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 APRIL 2014 TO 31 MARCH 2015**

With reference to Article 4 of the minute of meeting of this Committee of 17 March 2015, there was submitted and noted Joint Report No 231/15 by the Head of Corporate Improvement and Finance and the Head of Legal and Democratic Services providing information to members with regard to services in the Resources Directorate for the period 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015.

5. **TRANSFORMING ANGUS: PROGRAMME UPDATE**

With reference to Article 7 of the minute of meeting of this Committee of 3 February 2015, there was submitted Report No 232/15 by the Strategic Director – Resources, providing a progress update in relation to the Council's Transforming Angus Change Programme.

The Committee agreed:-

- (i) to note the update in relation to the various aspects of the Council's Transforming Angus Change Programme;
- (ii) that Councillor Myles be appointed to the Transforming Angus Programme Board; and
- (iii) to approve the Terms of Reference for the Transforming Angus Programme Board, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the Report.

6. ARBROATH AND FORFAR COMMON GOOD FUNDS – PROJECT APPROVAL

With reference to Article 11 of the minute of meeting of this Committee of 28 April 2015, there was submitted Report No 233/15 by the Head of Technical and Property Services, seeking approval for Arbroath and Forfar Common Good Funded projects.

The Committee agreed:-

- (i) to approve the requested funding for projects from Arbroath Common Good Fund as follows:-
 - Arbroath Lawn Tennis Club - £10,000
 - Arbroath Golf Course Committee of Management – a maximum of £10,000 with actual costs incurred to be reimbursed
 - Old Kirk, Arbroath - £5,000
 - Abbey Bowling Club, Walker Place, Arbroath - £12,000
- (ii) to approve the requested funding for Forfar Dramatic Society from Forfar Common Good Fund of £31,483.00;
- (iii) to note the revised Arbroath and Forfar Common Fund revenue fund balance estimate as at 31 March 2016 which had been updated to reflect the contents of this Report; and
- (iv) to note, for information, the recently submitted funding requests for two additional projects from Montrose Common Good Fund which were currently in the assessment/Member approval stage of the application process, as set out in paragraph 4.3 of the Report.

7. CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED DRAFT CLIMATE CHANGE (REPORTING ON CLIMATE CHANGE DUTIES) (SCOTLAND) ORDER 2015

There was submitted Report No 234/15 by the Head of Planning and Place, appending a copy of the Council's response to the Scottish Government regarding their proposal to implement mandatory reporting of compliance with climate change duties.

The Report indicated that the climate change public bodies' duties had come into force on 1 January 2011 and applied to all Scottish public authorities. The proposals contained in the Order required public bodies to prepare annual reports in compliance with climate change duties. Attached as Appendix 1 to the Report was the Council's response to the consultation questionnaire which had been submitted to the Scottish Government by the closing date of 29 May 2015.

The Committee agreed to homologate the contents of the Report which had been submitted to the Scottish Government as Angus Council's response on 29 May 2015.

8. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Committee resolved, in terms of Standing Order 27(2) that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items, so as to avoid the possible disclosure of information which was exempt in terms of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

9. TRANSFORMING ANGUS: REVIEW OF PASSENGER TRANSPORT OUTLINE BUSINESS CASE

With reference to Article 7 of the minute of meeting of this Committee of 3 February 2015, there was submitted Joint Report No 235/15 by the Head of Technical and Property Services and the Head of Quality and Performance, providing an update on the review of passenger transport functions and seeking approval to move to the next stages of the review.

The Committee agreed to approve the recommendations, as detailed in the Report.

10. PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF CARNOUSTIE PAVILION, LINKS PARADE, CARNOUSTIE

With reference to Article 6 of the minute of meeting of the Communities Committee of 18 November 2014, there was submitted Report No 236/15 by the Head of Technical and Property Services, detailing the offers that had been received in relation to the Carnoustie Pavilion.

The Committee agreed to accept the highest of the offers, as detailed in paragraph 4 of the Report.

11. REGENERATION OF SOUTH MONTROSE

With reference to Article 9 of the minute of meeting of the Development and Enterprise Committee of 26 May 2015, there was submitted Report No 223/15 by the Chief Executive in relation to a number of matters associated with the regeneration of South Montrose.

The Committee agreed to approve the recommendations, as detailed in the Report.