INFRASTRUCTURE, REGENERATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

At a Hybrid Meeting of the Infrastructure, Regeneration and Economic Development Committee held in the Civic Space, 16 Church Street, Dumbarton on Wednesday, 24 May 2023 at 10.00 a.m.

Present: Councillors David McBride, Jonathan McColl, Michelle McGinty, John Millar*, Lauren Oxley, Chris Pollock, Martin Rooney, Gordon Scanlan, Hazel Sorrell, Clare Steel and Sophie Traynor.

*Arrived later in the meeting.

- Attending: Angela Wilson, Chief Officer Supply, Distribution and Property; Gail Macfarlane, Chief Officer – Roads and Neighbourhood; Craig Jardine, Corporate Asset Manager; Michelle Lynn, Assets Coordinator; Laurence Slavin, Chief Officer – Resources; Alan Douglas, Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration; Gillian McNamara, Economic Development Manager; Nicola Moorcroft and Ashley MacIntyre, Committee Officers.
- Apology: An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Lawrence O'Neill.

Councillor David McBride in the Chair

STATEMENT BY CHAIR – AUDIO STREAMING

Councillor David McBride, Chair, advised that the meeting was being audio streamed and broadcast live to the internet and would be available for playback.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in any of the items of business on the agenda.

RECORDING OF VOTES

The Committee agreed that all votes taken during the meeting be done by roll call vote to ensure an accurate record.

OPEN FORUM

The Committee noted that no open forum questions had been submitted by members of the public.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Meeting of the Infrastructure, Regeneration and Economic Development Committee held on 1 February 2023 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

*Councillor Millar entered the meeting during consideration of this item.

REGULATORY AND REGENERATION DELIVERY PLAN (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ELEMENTS) 2022/2023 YEAR END REPORT AND REGULATORY AND REGENERATION (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ELEMENTS) DELIVERY PLAN 2023/2024

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration, setting out the Regulatory and Regeneration (Economic Development Elements) Delivery Plan 2022/23 end of year report and Regulatory and Regeneration (Economic Development Elements) Delivery Plan for 2023/24.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration, the Assets Coordinator and the Economic Development Manager in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to note the progress achieved at year-end and the new Plan for 2023/24.

ROADS AND NEIGHBOURHOOD DELIVERY PLAN 2022/23 YEAR END REPORT AND ROADS AND NEIGHBOURHOOD DELIVERY PLAN 2023/24

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Roads and Neighbourhood, setting out the Roads and Neighbourhood Delivery Plan 2022/23 end of year report and Roads and Neighbourhood Delivery Plan for 2023/24.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer – Roads and Neighbourhood and the Corporate Asset Manager, in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to note the progress achieved at year-end and the new Plan for 2023/24.

SUPPLY, DISTRIBUTION AND PROPERTY (CORPORATE ASSET MANAGEMENT) DELIVERY PLAN 2022/23 YEAR END REPORT AND SUPPLY, DISTRIBUTION AND PROPERTY (CORPORATE ASSET MANAGEMENT) DELIVERY PLAN 2023/24

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property, setting out the Supply, Distribution and Property (Corporate Asset Management) Delivery Plan 2022/23 Year End Report and Supply, Distribution and Property (Corporate Asset Management) Delivery Plan for 2023/24.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property, the Corporate Asset Manager and the Economic Development Manager, in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to note the progress achieved at year-end and the new Plan for 2023/24.

SALE OF 90-96 NORTH STREET, ALEXANDRIA G83 0EB

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property seeking approval to enter into a contract for the disposal of the property at 90-96 North Street, Alexandria to NWL Investment Ltd.

After discussion and having heard the Assets Coordinator, in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

- to approve the sale of the property to NWL Investment Ltd (SC 653864) for the sum of £153,000;
- (2) to authorise the Chief Officer Supply, Distribution and Property to conclude negotiations; and
- (3) to authorise the Chief Officer Regulatory and Regeneration to conclude the transaction on such conditions as considered appropriate.

SALE OF PROPERTY AT 26-30 GLASGOW ROAD CLYDEBANK G81 1SE

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property seeking approval enter into a contract for the disposal of the property at 26-30 Glasgow Road, Clydebank to Idrigil Ltd.

After discussion and having heard the Assets Coordinator, in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to approve the disposal of the site to Idrigil Limited for the sum of £120,000;
- (2) to authorise the Chief Officer Supply, Distribution and Property to conclude negotiations; and

(3) to authorise the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration to conclude the transaction on such conditions as considered appropriate.

DEPOT RATIONALISATION PROJECT DELIVERY PHASE 2

A report was submitted by Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property providing an update on the current status of the Depot Rationalisation Project and seeking approval to progress with Phase 2, which would see the delivery of refurbished depot accommodation across two sites.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property and the Assets Coordinator, in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to note the Depot Rationalisation Project update;
- (2) to the proposals as set out within the report to progress with the refurbishment of depot accommodation across two existing sites; and
- (3) to the proposals as set out within the report to agree a new , Reuse and Resource Centre (Waste Transfer Station) on the existing Poplar Road site in Dumbarton.

ASSET TRANSFER OF LAND AT KILMARONOCK KIRK G83 0SB

A report was submitted by Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property seeking approval for the transfer of an area of land to Kilmaronock Old Kirk Trust following a Community Asset Transfer request.

After discussion and having heard the Assets Coordinator in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to approve the transfer of the land to Kilmaronock Old Kirk Trust (KOKT) for nil consideration;
- (2) to authorise the Chief Officer Supply, Distribution and Property to conclude negotiations; and
- (3) to authorise the Chief Officer Regulatory and Regeneration to conclude the transfer on such conditions as considered appropriate.

ASSISTED UPLIFT POLICY REVIEW

A report was submitted by Chief Officer – Roads and Neighbourhood, setting out detail on the review of the Assisted Uplift Policy and the proposed eligibility criteria to be adopted and issued to all current users.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer – Roads and Neighbourhood in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, Councillor McBride moved:-

- (1) to note the review undertaken of the Assisted Uplift Policy;
- (2) to approve the proposed eligibility criteria for the scheme as set out in paragraph 4.4 of the report;
- (3) to note that all current users will be notified of the new Policy and criteria; and
- (4) to note that the update of the Assisted Uplift Policy would support the implementation of the route review;

Councillor McColl asked Councillor McBride if he would be willing to accept the following as an addendum to his motion:-

The Chief Officer – Roads and Neighbourhood, in consultation with the Convener of the IRED Committee, will implement a process for those individuals not meeting the criteria, but for whom it would be unreasonable to expect them to be able to pull their own bins out, to apply for the service and be considered as exceptional circumstances.

Current service users must be notified and given at least four weeks to apply under the new criteria.

Where an application is unsuccessful and the applicant notified of such, the service will remain in place for at least one final uplift before being withdrawn.

Councillor McBride agreed to accept the addendum and the motion, with the addendum, was agreed by the Committee.

PROPOSED ASSIGNATION OF FORMER RESIDENTIAL OUTDOOR EDUCATION AND CONFERENCE CENTRE – McGREGORS LANDING, ARDLUI, BY ARROCHAR

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property, advising on the outcome of the marketing of the former Residential Outdoor Education and Conference Centre, at McGregors Landing, Ardlui by Arrochar, detailing the option appraisal process and seeking approval for the proposed assignation of the property.

After discussion and having heard the Assets Coordinator in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

(1) to approve the assignation of the lease of McGregor's Landing, Ardlui, by Arrochar to Jacqui Johnston, subject to the Council obtaining prior written consent of the Landlord to the proposals contained within this report;

- (2) to approve the granting of a rent free period of up to 18 months from the date of entry of the property;
- (3) to authorise the Chief Officer Supply, Distribution and Property to conclude negotiations; and
- (4) to authorise the Chief Officer Regulatory and Regeneration to conclude the assignation or sub-lease to such conditions as considered appropriate.

UPDATE ON PROPERTY AND LAND DISPOSAL STRATEGY 2021-2026

A report was submitted by Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property providing an update on the Property and Land Disposal Strategy 2021-2026 as approved at the meeting of the Infrastructure Regeneration and Economic Development Committee held on 12 May 2021.

After discussion and having heard the Assets Coordinator in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to note the progress on the priorities and objectives, which are set out in the Property and Land Disposal Strategy 2021-2026.

The meeting closed at 11.23 am