

HOUSING, ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

At a Special Meeting of the Housing, Environment & Economic Development Committee held in Meeting Room 3, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton on Wednesday, 11 February 2009 at 2.00 p.m.

Present: Councillors Jim Bolland, Jim Brown, Geoff Calvert, Gail Casey, Jim Finn, William Hendrie, Jonathan McColl and Craig McLaughlin.

Attending: Elaine Melrose, Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development; Jim McAloon, Head of Housing and Regeneration; Sally Michael, Principal Solicitor and Craig Stewart, Committee Officer, Legal, Administrative and Regulatory Services.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors David McBride and Marie McNair.

Councillor William Hendrie in the Chair

CLYDEBANK LEISURE CENTRE DEVELOPMENT AND SALE OF THE PLAY DROME SITE

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development informing of the continuing progress being made in relation to the marketing of the existing Play Drome site and the progress made towards obtaining a further Option on the site for the proposed new Leisure Centre at Queens' Quay.

The Committee noted that the successful conclusion of extending the Option Agreement with Clydeside Regeneration in relation to the Queens' Quay site in the terms detailed in paragraph 3.5 of the report was wholly dependent on the finalising of the legal agreement between Clydeside Regeneration and West Dunbartonshire Council in relation to their planning application in June 2008.

After discussion and having heard the Head of Housing and Regeneration in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to note the progress being made in terms of securing an option for the land at Queens' Quay for the proposed new Leisure Centre;
- (2) to note that the Development Brief had been finalised and was ready to be sent out to the Development Market to obtain interest;

- (3) that authority be granted to the Head of Legal, Administrative and Regulatory Services to extend the Option Agreement with Clydeside Regeneration in relation to the Queens' Quay site in the terms detailed in paragraph 3.5 of the report; and
- (4) that the Development Brief for the Play Drome site be released to the market upon conclusion of (3) above.

The meeting closed at 2.10 p.m.