

CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE

At a Meeting of the Corporate Services Committee held by Video Conference on Wednesday, 9 September 2020 at 2.00 p.m.

Present: Councillors Ian Dickson, Diane Docherty, Daniel Lennie, David McBride, Jonathan McColl, John Mooney, Lawrence O'Neill and Martin Rooney.

Attending: Joyce White, Chief Executive; Victoria Rogers, Strategic Lead – People & Technology; Adrian Gray, Business Unit Finance Partner; Geraldine Lyden, HR Business Partner, People and Technology; Alison McBride, OD & Change Manager; Peter Hessett, Strategic Lead – Regulatory; Craig Stewart and Lynn Straker, Committee Officers.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Jim Brown and Jim Finn.

Councillor Ian Dickson in the Chair

STATEMENT BY CHAIR – AUDIO STREAMING

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

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor McBride declared a non-financial interest in relation to the item under the heading 'Grant Application', and advised that he would not take part in the decision in relation to this item.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Meetings of the Corporate Services Committee held on 19 February 2020 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

MINUTES OF JOINT CONSULTATIVE FORUM – 12 MARCH 2020

Following discussion, the Minutes of Meeting of the Joint Consultative Forum held on 12 March 2020 were submitted and all decisions contained therein were approved.

OPEN FORUM

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

CORPORATE SERVICES BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT TO 31 JULY 2020 (PERIOD 4)

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead - Resources advising on the performance of the Corporate Services budget for the period to 31 July 2020.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead – Resources and the Chief Executive in further explanation and in answer to Members’ questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to note that the revenue account currently showed a projected annual adverse variance of £0.307m (1.50%) of the total budget) of which £0.338m was covid related; and
- (2) to note that the capital account was showing a projected in-year underspend of £1.64m due to 6 projects showing projected underspends as a result of delays to these projects caused by Covid 19 restrictions. The project life projection was currently showing a breakeven position.

GRANT APPLICATION

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – Resources providing information on a grant application and to not recommend a grant from the Dumbarton Common Good Fund.

After discussion and having heard the Business Unit Finance Partner and the Chief Executive in further explanation and in answer to Members’ questions, the Committee agreed to continue the application to the next meeting, to allow time for both the public consultation to take place and for the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) to consider how they can work jointly with Alternatives to provide a suitable project, with potential funding from the HSCP.

STRATEGIC RISKS 2017-22: BI-ANNUAL UPDATE

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – People & Technology providing an update on the strategic risks for 2017-22.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead – People & Technology and the Chief Executive in further explanation and in answer to Members’ questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to note the Strategic risks as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;

- (2) to note the addition of a COVID-19 risk with associated operational risks and mitigation; and
- (3) to note the supplementary EU Assurance Plan detailing operational risks as previously reported.

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE LEISURE TRUST (WDLT)
AND WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL (WDC) TO SUPPORT SUITABLE
EMPLOYMENT WITH AN ASSOCIATED EMPLOYER**

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – People & Technology recommending approval of an agreement which outlines a reciprocal agreement between West Dunbartonshire Leisure Trust (WDLT) and West Dunbartonshire Council (WDC) to support suitable employment with an associated employer.

After discussion and having heard the HR Business Partner and the Strategic Lead - People & Technology in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to approve the agreement, appended to the report, noting the main considerations associated with it.

The meeting closed at 3.07 p.m.