

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

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MEETING: WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

**WEDNESDAY 27 MAY 2009
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
GARSHAKE ROAD
DUMBARTON**

Dear Member,

Please attend a Meeting of **West Dunbartonshire Council** to be held in the **Council Chambers, Garshake Road, Dumbarton, on Wednesday, 27 May 2009 at 6.00 p.m.**

The business is as shown on the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully

DAVID MCMILLAN

Chief Executive

Distribution:-

All Members of West Dunbartonshire Council.

Chief Executive

Executive Director of Corporate Services

Executive Director of Educational Services

Executive Director of Social Work and Health

Executive Director of Housing, Environmental & Economic Development

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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are invited to declare if they have an interest in any of the items of business on this agenda and state the reasons for such declarations.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Submit for approval as a correct record, the Minutes of the Meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council held on Wednesday, 29 April 2009.

4. SOLACE 'GOLDEN THREAD' STUDY – PRESENTATION

Lesley Bloomer, Associate of SOLACE Enterprises, will be in attendance to make a short presentation on the SOLACE 'Golden Thread' study.

In this respect, submit report by the Chief Executive providing an update on the progress of corporate and departmental planning and the SOLACE 'Golden Thread' study.

5. OPEN FORUM

The Council is asked to note that no open forum questions have been received from members of the public.

6. MINUTES OF THE JOINT CONSULTATIVE FORUM ON 26 MARCH 2009

Submit for information, and where necessary ratification, the Minutes of Meeting of the Joint Consultative Forum held on 26 March 2009.

7. MINUTES OF THE AUDIT & PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE ON 13 MAY 2009 (COPY TO FOLLOW)

Submit for information, and where necessary ratification, the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Audit & Performance Review Committee held on 13 May 2009.

8. REMIT FROM EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING COMMITTEE – BRAIDFIELD CAMPUS

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee held on 22 April 2009, submit the relevant excerpt from the Minutes together with a report on Braidfield Football Pitch by the Executive Director of Educational Services.

9. CORPORATE PLAN 2009/13

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of the Council held on 29 April 2009 (Page xx refers), submit report by the Chief Executive seeking agreement on:-

- (a) the performance indicators that have been identified to monitor progress towards the 2009/13 corporate objectives; and
- (b) the targets that have been set for these indicators for each of the four years covered by the Plan.

10. REVIEW OF SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT BOUNDARIES

Submit report by the Chief Executive confirming the publication, on 21 May, of the Boundary Commission for Scotland's provisional proposals for regions and revised recommendations for Scottish Parliament Constituencies and inviting the Council to make representations thereon.

Note: Members are asked to note that at the time of writing this report, the outcome of the Inquiry is not known although full details of the revised proposals will be available by the date of the meeting and will be issued with a supplementary agenda.

11. DRUG & ALCOHOL REHABILITATION INITIATIVES: HEAR (Help, Empathy, Advice and Reassurance) Out of Hours Telephone Support Service and the Clydebank CAT Early Intervention Project

Submit report by the Executive Director of Social Work and Health providing updated information regarding the establishment of two initiatives which have increased access to addiction supports for those living with either their own or someone else's drug and/or alcohol problems.

12. PARTNERSHIP WORKING BETWEEN "BREATHING SPACE" (NHS 24), COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP, COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP, MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT AND WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Submit report by the Executive Director of Social Work and Health:-

- (a) setting out the latest service development emerging from the Council's unique partnership with Macmillan Cancer Support;
- (b) requesting support for the implementation of a 12 month pilot project to support people affected by cancer through a unique listening, advice and signposting service throughout West Dunbartonshire to promote greater public awareness of these issues and encouraging local people to seek help earlier; and
- (c) seeking approval for a formal recognition of the Service's launch and role of NHS24.

13. PROMOTING THE INVOLVEMENT OF SMEs IN PUBLIC CONTRACTS – SIX SIMPLE STEPS

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services advising Members of a commitment that has been made by the Scottish Government to ensure fair access to public sector contracts in Scotland for SMEs (small and medium sized enterprises) and the action that is being taken locally to facilitate this.

14. INFRASTRUCTURE HUB

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services providing Members with updated information on the progress of the Scottish Government scheme to develop local infrastructure hub companies.

15. LABOUR GROUP AGM – NOMINATIONS TO COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services advising Council that the Labour Group AGM on 25 May 2009 may result in resignations from membership of certain committees and outside bodies and to advise as to how Council should deal with this.

16. REVIEW OF CURRENT T-MOBILE PHONE CONTRACT

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services outlining actions to be considered regarding the Council's current T-Mobile phone contract should T-Mobile persist with its plan to close their offices in Scotland.

17. SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT

Submit report by the Chief Executive providing an update on the process used to develop the Single Outcome Agreement (SOA), and presenting the 2009 Community Planning SOA for West Dunbartonshire.

18. NOTICES OF MOTION

(A) Motion by Councillor Willie McLaughlin – To congratulate Clydebank Football Club on their achievement in reaching the Final of the Scottish Junior Cup

West Dunbartonshire Council congratulates Clydebank Football Club for their achievement in reaching the final of the Scottish Junior Cup. The game is being played on Sunday May 31st at Rugby Park, Kilmarnock against Auchinleck Talbot and I would ask my fellow Councillors to join me in wishing the team, coaching staff, club organisers and supporters the very best of luck for the game.

(B) Motion by Councillor Jim Bolland – Unite Motion calling for support in providing 100 apprenticeships across Council Departments

I would urge the Council to support the UNITE union's call to provide 100 apprenticeships across the Council Departments, with a starting salary of £130.00 per week and an appropriate incremental rise each year.

This Council agrees with the UNITE union that there is an opportunity to create jobs in the area for young people of West Dunbartonshire & also create a better social environment for all the citizen's of West Dunbartonshire.

UNITE seeks the support of all Councillors on WDC for this attempt to create some employment and attack poverty amongst some of our young people.

(C) Motion by Councillor David McBride – To explore how the Future Jobs Fund can be used to satisfy the Council’s aspiration to provide 100 apprenticeships across the Council

It is the aspiration of this Council to provide 100 apprenticeships across the Council with a starting salary of £130.00 per week with an incremental rise each year accordingly.

Council wishes to explore how the Future Jobs Fund can be used to satisfy the Council's aspiration and requests the Chief Executive to bring forward a report to the June Council meeting that will provide options for consideration.

(D) Motion by Councillor Ronnie McColl – Scottish Housing Quality Standard (SHQS)

This council notes:

That the pressures of regenerating our communities and the challenges of meeting the Scottish Housing Quality Standard through the standard delivery plan by 2015, which has now been approved, will require to be approached with vigour, vision and focus, both by officers and elected members.

To assist council in this regard council agrees to appoint two spokespersons for HEEDS.

Namely Cllr William Hendrie will deal with housing issues and Cllr Jim McElhill with all other departmental areas.

Committee will continue as is with Cllr Hendrie in the chair and Cllr McElhill as Vice-Chair. Both Spokesperson roles will be deemed as senior councillors with the additional allowance being transferred from the Depute Leader of the council.

(E) Motion by Councillor Ronnie McColl – Error in Council Minutes

Council notes that while the minute of the Council meeting of 28th November 2007 records that Cllr Ronnie McColl abstained from the third vote on the item relating to ‘Regeneration of the Schools Estate – Dumbarton Academy Campus’, and while the accuracy of the minute was approved by Council at its meeting on 19th December 2007, the correct position is that Cllr Ronnie McColl voted in favour of the motion by Cllr Robertson.