

**WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL**

**Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton G82 3PU**

16 April 2010

**MEETING: WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL**

**WEDNESDAY 28 APRIL 2010  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
COUNCIL OFFICES  
GARSHAKE ROAD  
DUMBARTON**

Dear Member,

Please attend a Meeting of **West Dunbartonshire Council** to be held in the **Council Chambers, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton, on Wednesday, 28 April 2010 at 6.00 p.m.**

**Members are asked to note that at the commencement of the meeting there will be 2 minutes of silence in remembrance of the Polish President Lech Kaczynski and those who perished in the recent air disaster in Russia.**

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

Interim Executive Directors 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 MEETINGS**

Submit for approval as a correct record, the undernoted Minutes of Meetings of West Dunbartonshire Council:-

- (a) Special Meeting held on 24 March 2010
- (b) Ordinary Meeting held on 24 March 2010

**4. OPEN FORUM**

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

**5. MINUTES OF THE AUDIT & PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE ON 7 APRIL 2010**

Submit for information, and where necessary ratification, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Audit & Performance Review Committee held on 7 April 2010.

**6. MINUTES OF THE JOINT CONSULTATIVE FORUM HELD ON 25 MARCH 2010  
(Copy to follow)**

Submit for information, and where necessary ratification, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Joint Consultative Forum held on 25 March 2010.

**7. GLASGOW AIRPORT FLIGHTPATH FUND BOARD**

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services on a request from Glasgow Airport to nominate a representative and depute from West Dunbartonshire to join the Flight Path Fund Board. The Fund Board will oversee the distribution of Glasgow Airport's community funding.

**8. HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT 2009/2010 BUDGETARY CONTROL STATEMENT TO 15 MARCH 2010 (PERIOD 11)**

Submit report by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development providing the Council with an update on the financial performance of the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) up to the period ending 15 March 2010.

**9. HRA CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2009/2010 BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT TO 15 MARCH 2010 (PERIOD 11)**

Submit report by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising the Council of progress of the HRA Capital Programme for the period to 15 March 2010.

**10. REPORT ON HOUSING INSPECTION - SCOTTISH HOUSING REGULATOR**

**(Copy to follow)**

Submit report by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising on the outcome of the Scottish Housing Regulator's inspection of the Council's Housing Management Service, which took place from October to December 2009 and presenting the Regulator's final report, which is contained in Appendix 1 for reference.

**11. CONSULTATION ON MODIFICATIONS TO THE LOCH LOMOND AND THE TROSSACHS NATIONAL PARK DESIGNATION ORDER**

Submit report by the Chief Executive on continuing proposals to modify the Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Designation, Transitional and Consequential Provisions (Scotland) Order 2002 (the Designation Order).

**12. SCOTTISH FUTURES TRUST – DEVELOPMENT OF THE HUB INITIATIVE**

Submit report by the Chief Executive providing the Council with information regarding the development of the West Territory hub.

**13. GENERAL SERVICES REVENUE BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT – PERIOD 11 (2009/10)**

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services advising the Council of the performance of the General Services Revenue Budget for the period to 15 March 2010.

**14. GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT – PERIOD 11 (2009/10)**

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services providing the Council with an update on the General Services Capital Plan for 2009/2010.

**15. BORROWING FOR RESTRUCTURE AND THE FUTURE**

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services providing further information on the cost of options to borrow for the future to address the organisational and service delivery challenges facing the Council over the forthcoming years.

**16. MEMBERSHIP OF WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE LOCAL LICENSING FORUM**

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services requesting consideration of the appointment and re-appointment of members of West Dunbartonshire Local Licensing Forum.

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**17. INTEGRATION OF NHS AND SOCIAL WORK SERVICES – FORMATION OF SHADOW COMMUNITY HEALTH AND CARE PARTNERSHIP**  
**(Copy to follow)**

Submit joint report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services (WDC) and Director of Corporate Planning & Policy (NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde) to consider the membership of the Shadow Community Health and Care Partnership (CHP) and to agree the role of this body.

**18. KEY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

Submit report by the Chief Executive presenting a summary of work carried out to date on developing a set of Key Corporate Performance Indicators for the Council.

**19. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**(a) Motion by Councillor R. McColl - Michael O'Neil Report**

This Council agrees that no action will be taken to close Gartocharn and Garshake nurseries, as recommended in the independent consultant's report. This Council is committed to providing a top quality pre-school experience for our children and agreed officer's recommendations in November 2009 to safeguard these vital services.

The Chief Executive is instructed to bring this report to the May Council, outlining how other recommendations in the report are to be implemented, including new structures and timescales plus any other aspect of the report which require Members to take a decision.

Members will also require a financial breakdown showing projected savings that are envisaged from management actions and officer's recommendations to Members arising from the independent consultant's report.

No figures or reports are required regarding Gartocharn or Garshake Nurseries.

**(b) Motion by Councillor John Millar – Alexandria Health & Social Care Centre**

This Council is pleased that, in response to several written questions by Jackie Baillie MSP last month to the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Well Being, Nicola Sturgeon MSP, Ms Sturgeon gave no hint that the construction of the Alexandria Health & Social Care Centre was in doubt and, what is more, gave a detailed cost profile and a detailed timetable for its construction.

This Council is now extremely concerned to learn that the funding of the Alexandria Health & Social Care Centre may now be at risk.

On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March it was reported to the Vale Monitoring Group that ***‘NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde is reviewing its capital plans – a review which might result in the Health and Social Care Centre, planned for the Vale site being delayed or even cancelled.’*** Council also notes that: ***‘The Monitoring Group is very concerned at the possible delay to, or even cancellation of, an important aspect of the Vision.’***

This Council acknowledges that the Chair of the Vale of Leven Hospital Monitoring Group, Mr Bill Brackenridge, has written to the Health Secretary Nicola Sturgeon MSP and Mr Robert Calderwood, Chief Executive of Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board outlining the concerns of the Vale Monitoring Group.

The Vale Monitoring Group has highlighted the fact that the Health & Social Care Centre is a key element of the approved Vision for the Vale and the Chairman of the Monitoring Group is seeking support from the Cabinet Secretary for Health & Wellbeing, and an assurance from the Chief Executive of NHS GG&C that the Health & Social Care Centre will not be cancelled nor delayed.

This Council agrees with the Vale Monitoring Group that the Alexandria Health & Social Care Centre is a key element of the Vision for the Vale and therefore agrees that the Chief Executive will write to the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Well Being and to the Health Board to highlight the concerns of the Vale Monitoring Group and to seek reassurance and confirmation from both the Cabinet Secretary and the Health Board that the Centre will not be cancelled and that there will be no further delay in delivering this vital service to the people of the Vale of Leven area.

**(c) Motion by Councillor Patrick McGlinchey – Gartocharn and Garshake EECCs**

This Council notes with concern that the clients and staff of the Gartocharn and Garshake EECCs, are being subject to upset and distress by the rumours circulating concerning the threat of privatisation or closure of these Centres. This Council notes that the SNP Administration appears to have learned nothing from the failures to adequately consult and engage with the same clients and staff concerning the recent increase in charges that was imposed and which caused so much hurt and worry for parents.

Against the background of criticism from Audit Scotland and the Accounts Commission over its failings to address effective Community Engagement, this Council accepts that the SNP Administration will continue to fail to improve the culture within the Council as long continues to ride roughshod over the fears and concerns of Council staff. This Council accepts that such behaviour makes a mockery of its commitment to improvement and undermines the integrity of this Council.

For the avoidance of any doubt, this Council affirms that there is no threat to either Gartocharn or Garshake EECC and that the rumours circulating regarding privatisation or closure are without foundation - neither Centre will close or be privatised. Furthermore, this Council agrees that the Leader of the Council will apologise, again, for any distress that has been caused to the clients or staff of both Centres.