

HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

At a Special Meeting of the Housing and Communities Committee held by video conference on Wednesday, 5 January 2022 at 2.02 p.m.

Present: Councillors Gail Casey, Karen Conaghan, Ian Dickson, Diane Docherty, Jim Finn, David McBride, Jonathan McColl, Iain McLaren, John Mooney and Sally Page.

Attending: Peter Barry, Chief Officer – Housing and Employability; Angela Wilson, Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property; John Kerr, Housing Development and Homelessness Manager; Angus Cameron, Business Partner – Strategic Procurement; Michelle Lynn, Asset Co-ordinator; Sally Michael, Principal Solicitor; and Gabriella Gonda, Committee Officer.

Apology: An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Provost William Hendrie.

Councillor Diane Docherty in the Chair

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

RECORDING OF VOTES

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

REMIT FROM TENDERING COMMITTEE – CONTRACT AUTHORISATION REPORT – PASSIVHAUS / NET ZERO PILOT NEW BUILD DEVELOPMENT

With reference to the minutes of meeting of the Tendering Committee held on 1 December 2021, a report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Supply, Distribution and Property Services seeking approval to authorise the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration to conclude the award of the contract for Passivhaus / Net Zero Pilot New Build Development.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer – Housing and Employability in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to authorise the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration to conclude on behalf of West Dunbartonshire Council (the Council), the award of the contract for Pappert, Bonhill – Passivhaus / Net Zero Pilot New Build Development to CCG (Scotland) Ltd.;
- (2) to note that the contract shall be for a period of three years and at a value of £6m ex VAT. The estimated commencement date of the contract to be 31 January 2022; and
- (3) in line with the Council’s recognition of the global climate crisis, the Committee asks that a report is brought to a future meeting of the Housing and Communities Committee detailing how our current standard of New Build Council Houses can be further improved to ensure we remain ahead of our Net Zero target for carbon emissions. This Council has historically gone well beyond the minimum standards for social housing set by the Scottish Government and in asking for this report to set out its intent to continue to do so as those standards catch up with our current policies.

The meeting closed at 2:43 p.m.