

INFRASTRUCTURE, REGENERATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

At a Meeting of the Infrastructure, Regeneration and Economic Development Committee held in Committee Room 3, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton on Wednesday, 17 June 2015 at 10.04 a.m.

Present: Councillors William Hendrie, Michelle McGinty*, Patrick McGlinchey, Ian Murray, Lawrence O'Neill, Tommy Rainey, Gail Robertson, Martin Rooney and Kath Ryall.

*Arrived later in the meeting.

Attending: Jim McAloon, Head of Regeneration and Economic Development; Ronnie Dinnie, Head of Neighbourhood Services; Michael McGuinness, Economic Development Manager; Stuart Gibson, Asset Co-ordinator; Joe Reilly, Business Unit Finance Partner; Sally Michael, Principal Solicitor and Nuala Quinn-Ross, Committee Officer, Legal, Democratic and Regulatory Services.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors David McBride and Marie McNair and Richard Cairns, Executive Director of Infrastructure and Regeneration.

Councillor McGlinchey in the Chair

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in any of the items of business on the agenda at this point in the meeting.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Meeting of the Infrastructure, Regeneration and Economic Development Committee held on 18 March 2015 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

Note:- Councillor Michelle McGinty arrived at this point in the meeting.

PERFORMANCE REPORT 2014-17

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Infrastructure and Regeneration providing details of the department's end of year progress in meeting corporate and departmental objectives set out in the Housing, Environmental and Economic Development Departmental Plan 2014-17.

After discussion and having heard the Head of Regeneration and Economic Development, the Head of Neighbourhood Services and the Business Unit Finance Partner in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to note the contents of the report.

HOUSING, ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN 2015 – 2017

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Infrastructure and Regeneration seeking approval of the Housing, Environmental and Economic Development Strategic Plan 2015-2017.

After discussion and having heard the Head of Regeneration and Economic Development, the Head of Neighbourhood Services and the Asset Co-ordinator in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to approve the Housing, Environmental and Economic Development Departmental Plan 2015-2017.

DISPOSAL OF PLAY DROME SITE, CLYDEBANK

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Infrastructure and Regeneration seeking authority to remarket the site of the Play Drome following the withdrawal of Tesco from negotiations to purchase the site and property for redevelopment as a Superstore.

After discussion and having heard the Head of Regeneration and Economic Development and the Asset Co-ordinator in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) that authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Infrastructure and Regeneration to market the site of the Play Drome, Clydebank for lease or sale and to receive offers on each basis;
- (2) that authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Infrastructure and Regeneration, the Head of Legal, Democratic and Regulatory Services, and the Head of Finance and Resources to conduct an appraisal of offers received and that a report with recommendations be brought to the Committee at the appropriate time; and
- (3) to note that any application for a specific land use and erection of any structures will require to be considered by the Planning Committee.

MITCHELL WAY REDEVELOPMENT SITE, ALEXANDRIA

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Infrastructure and Regeneration seeking authority to re-market the Mitchell Way Redevelopment site following the outcome of discussions with the preferred bidder for the site.

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

- (1) that the Mitchell Way site be re-marketed on the terms detailed within paragraphs 4.3 and 4.4 of the report;
- (2) that 30 – 40 Mitchell Way be demolished;
- (3) to approve the improvement works to the area now excluded from the development site, as detailed within the report; and
- (4) that the funds identified from the existing General Services Local Economic Development Capital Budget 2015/16 be used to deliver the improvement works.

PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF FORMER RENTON NURSERY (EECC), STATION STREET, RENTON

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Infrastructure and Regeneration advising on the expressions of interest received following marketing of the former Renton Early Education and Childcare Centre (EECC) to community organisations in the Vale of Leven area.

After discussion and having heard the Head of Regeneration and Economic Development, the Head of Neighbourhood Services and the Asset Co-ordinator in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) that authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Infrastructure and Regeneration to conclude negotiations with VoLAAF in respect of a sale of the property for £25,000 by 20 July 2015 failing which, the property will be re-marketed and disposed of; and
- (2) that authority be delegated to the Head of Legal, Democratic and Regulatory Services to conclude the transaction subject to such conditions as considered appropriate. These should include satisfactory receipt of a full package of information as originally requested in the marketing letter of 7 April 2015. Full information should be supplied by VoLAAF within a four week period following notification of their successful proposal.

The meeting closed at 11.15 a.m.