EAST DUNBARTONSHIRE, INVERCLYDE AND WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCILS' SHARED SERVICES JOINT COMMITTEE

At the Meeting of the Shared Services Joint Committee held by video conference on Friday, 11 December 2020 at 10 a.m.

Present: East Dunbartonshire Council:

Councillors Gordan Low and Vaughan Moody.

Inverclyde Council

Councillors Graeme Brooks, Christopher Curley, Colin Jackson and Tommy McVey.

West Dunbartonshire Council:

Provost William Hendrie and Councillors Iain McLaren and David McBride.

Attending: East Dunbartonshire Council:

Thomas Glen, Depute Chief Executive / Neighbourhood & Corporate Assets.

Inverclyde Council:

Aubrey Fawcett, Chief Executive; Scott Allan, Corporate Director – Environment, Regeneration & Resources and Andi Priestman, Shared Service Manager – Audit and Fraud, Inverclyde Council and West Dunbartonshire Council.

West Dunbartonshire Council:

Joyce White, Chief Executive; Angela Wilson, Strategic Director – Transformation & Public Service Reform; Stephen West, Strategic Lead - Resources; Gail MacFarlane, Shared Head of Service – Roads & Environmental Services; Craig Stewart and Lynn Straker, Committee Officers.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Alan Moir and Andrew Polson (East Dunbartonshire Council). An apology was also intimated on behalf of Malcolm Bennie, Strategic Lead – Communications, Culture, Communities and Facilities, West Dunbartonshire Council.

Councillor lain McLaren 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.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Meeting of the Shared Services Joint Committee (SSJC) held on 2 October 2019 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

Councillor Low (East Dunbartonshire Council) requested a copy of the revised Standing Orders for the SSJC to be sent to all Members of the Joint Committee. It was noted that Committee Services, West Dunbartonshire Council, would arrange for this to be actioned, following the meeting.

FLEET, WASTE AND GROUNDS SERVICES UPDATE

A report was submitted by the Shared Head of Service - Roads & Environmental Services providing an update on the implementation of the fleet, waste and grounds collaborative management model and the widening of the remit of the roads and transportation shared service to include Environmental Services.

After discussion and having heard the Shared Head of Service in answer to a Member's questions, the Joint Committee agreed to note the contents of the report.

INTERNAL AUDIT AND FRAUD UPDATE

A report was submitted by the Shared Service Manager – Audit and Fraud providing an update on progress in relation to the shared management approach agreed and implemented within the Internal Audit and Fraud service together with information as to potential future further options.

After hearing the Shared Service Manager, the Joint Committee agreed to note the contents of the report and the progress made against the current action plan to March 2021.

JOINT COLLABORATION: WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE AND INVERCLYDE COUNCILS – PERFORMANCE AND STRATEGY

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – Communications, Culture, Communities and Facilities providing an update on progress since West Dunbartonshire and Inverclyde Councils began a six-month trial of shared Performance and Strategy management on 1 October 2020.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Director - Transformation & Public Service Reform in further explanation and in answer to a Member's question, the Joint Committee agreed to note the contents of the report.

The meeting closed at 10.20 a.m.