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THE FIFE COUNCIL - GLENROTHES AREA COMMITTEE – REMOTE MEETING

7th September, 2022

2.00 p.m. – 2.55 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors Craig Walker (Convener), John Beare, Altany Craik, Peter Gulline, Lynn Mowatt, Ross Vettraino, Daniel Wilson and Jan Wincott.

ATTENDING: Norman Laird, Community Manager (Glenrothes); Neil Watson, Lead Consultant, Roads & Lighting Asset Management; Keith Johnston, Technician Engineer, Traffic Management South; Dhusjan Sivaratnam, Technician Engineer, Traffic Management North; and Diane Barnet, Committee Officer, Legal & Democratic Services.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors Julie Ford and Derek Noble.

8. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were submitted in terms of Standing Order No. 7.1.

9. MINUTE

The Committee considered the minute of the Glenrothes Area Committee of 10th August, 2022.

Decision

The Committee agreed to approve the minute, subject to an amendment to Para. 7. (2) - Glenrothes Area Committee Forward Work Programme - that the workshop referred to therein would focus on anti-poverty in the Glenrothes area.

10. LOCAL COMMUNITY PLANNING BUDGET REQUEST – MILTON OF BALGONIE COMMITTEE

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhood Service seeking approval of a decision which had been homologated by the Executive Director of Communities for a contribution of £8,000 from the Local Community Planning budget towards the purchase and installation of a boiler for Milton of Balgonie Village Hall.

Decision

The Committee agreed:-

(1) to confirm the decision to grant funding of £8,000 from the Local Community Planning budget to the Management Committee of Milton of Balgonie Village Hall towards the cost of purchasing and installing a new boiler; and

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- (2) an additional recommendation to request that the Communities Directorate provide a report to this Committee, focusing on the maintenance of Community Assets in the Glenrothes Area.

11. 2021-22 AREA ROADS PROGRAMME - FINAL REPORT

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Enterprise and Environment advising on the delivery of the 2021-22 Area Roads Programme (ARP).

Decision

The Committee:-

- (1) noted the contents of the report and appendices; and
- (2) with reference to a previous Committee decision at its meeting on 1st December, 2021: minute reference 2021.GAC.111, Para 245. (2) - 'objections to 30 mph speed limit on B9130 Markinch' – raised concerns that options for alternative design and use of the section of road by way of a design charette had not been progressed as agreed. This item remained on the Committee's Forward Work Programme for an update.

12. PROPOSED EXPERIMENTAL SCHOOL EXCLUSION ZONE - IONA PARK, GLENROTHES

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Enterprise and Environment detailing a proposal to introduce an experimental School Exclusion Zone (SEZ) in Iona Park, Pitcoudie Primary School, Glenrothes.

Decision

The Committee, in the interests of road safety:

- (1) agreed to the introduction of an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO), for a maximum of 18 months, for a School Exclusion Zone (SEZ) in Iona Park at Pitcoudie Primary School, Glenrothes - as detailed in the drawing attached to the report - with all ancillary procedures;
- (2) requested officers provide a progress report to this Committee six months following implementation of the ETRO, with a final report at the conclusion of the ETRO period, providing further recommendations; and
- (3) requested, in the interim, an update to Ward 14 members prior to 6 months from date of implementation and regular updates for the Convener and Depute Convener on progress and any issues and mitigation as the ETRO progressed.

13. PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS - POPLAR ROAD AND WOODLEA GROVE, GLENROTHES

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Enterprise and Environment detailing proposals to introduce "No Waiting at Any Time" restrictions on Poplar Road and Woodlea Grove, Glenrothes.

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Decision

The Committee, in the interests of accessibility and road safety:-

- (1) agreed to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce the restrictions detailed in the drawing appended to the report, with all ancillary procedures;
- (2) authorised officers to confirm the TRO within a reasonable period unless there were objections; and
- (3) requested officers pursue the possibility of implementing a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TTRO) to introduce the proposed restrictions in the interim while confirmation of the permanent TRO was expedited.

14. GLENROTHES AREA COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee considered the Glenrothes Area Committee Forward Work Programme.

Decision

The Committee:-

- (1) noted the Glenrothes Area Committee Forward Work Programme;
- (2) agreed to advise the Convener and Depute Convener of any additional items to include in the Forward Work Programme, within the remit of the Committee;
- (3) requested a flooding update report relative to the Glenrothes Area Committee, to include information on gulley cleaning, for consideration at its next meeting on 2nd November, 2022; and
- (4) as detailed at Paragraph 12. (2) and (3) above – requested update reports on progress of the Experimental School Exclusion Zone at Pitcoudie Primary School, Iona Park, Glenrothes.

15. PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

The Committee considered a report by the Senior Manager, Property Services advising on action taken using the List of Officer Powers in relation to property transactions.

Decision

The Committee noted the contents of the report.
