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# THE FIFE COUNCIL - LEVENMOUTH AREA COMMITTEE – REMOTE MEETING

26<sup>th</sup> January, 2022

9.35 a.m. – 10.55 a.m.

- **PRESENT:** Councillors Ken Caldwell (Convener), David Alexander, Ryan Smart, Colin Davidson, David Graham, John O'Brien and Alistair Suttie.
- ATTENDING: Neil Watson, Lead Consultant (Roads & Lighting Asset Management), Eva Martinez, Technician Engineer - Traffic Management (North Fife), Assets Transportation and Environment, Roads and Transportation Services; Scott Urquhart, Head of Operations, Fife Sports and Leisure Trust; Andy Maclellan, Team Manager (Community Projects), David Paterson, Community Manager (Levenmouth), Communities and Neighbourhoods; Peter Corbett, Lead Officer, Pamela Stevenson, Service Manager - Economic Development, Economy, Planning and Employability Services and Michelle Hyslop, Committee Officer, Legal and Democratic Services.

ALSO Inspector Paul Gillespie, Police Scotland.

# ATTENDING:

# 301. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Caldwell and Suttie declared an interest in Para. 305 – Update on Levenmouth Swimming Pool and Sports Centre gym extension and studio project, as they were both members of Fife Sports and Leisure Trust. Both Councillors were satisfied that there were no decisions being made and they would therefore remain in the meeting for this item.

Councillor Graham declared an interest in Para. 307 – Supporting the Levenmouth Plan – Kennoway Bowling Club funding request, as he was a past president of Fife Bowling Association and had a connection playing Bowls locally within the Fife area. However, he was satisfied that this would not prejudice discussion or decision making and he would therefore remain in the meeting for this item.

#### 302. MINUTE

The Committee considered the minute of the meeting of the Levenmouth Area Committee of 17th November, 2021.

#### **Decision**

The Committee agreed to approve the minute.

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# 303. PROPOSED 20MPH SPEED LIMITS, EAST WEMYSS

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Assets, Transportation and Environment asking members to consider the proposal to introduce new 20mph zones on Castleton Court, Newton Place and all other roads to be built within the area to the south of A955 shown in TRO/21/53.

#### **Decision**

The Committee in the interests of road safety: -

- (1) agreed to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce the 20mph zones as detailed in drawing no. TRO/21/53 with all ancillary procedures, and
- (2) authorised officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order within a reasonable period unless there were objections.

#### **304.** AREA ROADS PROGRAMME 2022-23

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Assets, Transportation and Environment which identified the projects proposed for approval for the Area Roads Programme in the Levenmouth Area for delivery in the 2022-23 financial year.

#### **Decision**

The Committee: -

- (1) approved the proposals identified in Appendices 1-3, of the report;
- (2) delegated authority to the Head of Assets, Transportation and Environment to manage the lists of Category 1 and 2 projects in line with the available resources/funding as the programme developed, in consultation with the Area Convener and Vice-Convener; and
- (3) noted Appendices 4 and 5 of the report.

# 305. UPDATE ON LEVENMOUTH SWIMMING POOL AND SPORTS CENTRE GYM EXTENSION & STUDIO PROJECT

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods which provided members with an update on the investment towards Levenmouth Swimming Pool and Sports Centre, which was in line with the Plan for Fife's commitment to improve health, sport participation and leisure through the investment of high-quality community facilities.

#### **Decision**

The Committee welcomed and noted the report.

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### 306. SUPPORTING THE LEVENMOUTH LOCAL COMMUNITY PLAN – AREA BUDGET REQUEST- ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR APPROACH

The Committee considered a report by the Community Inspector, Police Scotland seeking to secure funding for the 2022/2023 financial year, to support the increased Police resource in the Levenmouth Area for a period of 7 months to focus on specific anti-social behavior issues.

# **Decision**

The Committee: -

- (1) confirmed support for the coordinated approach previously taken by local partners in 2019, 2020 and 2021;
- (2) agreed to a contribution of £25,044,83 to be used towards the continued Police resource that is key in spearheading the partnership approach as a priority issue
- (3) noted this figure may be subject to change in April 2022; and
- (4) noted that Police Scotland would match fund this spend and would dedicate to provide further Police resource to create a team of two dedicated officers to countering anti-social behavior within the Levenmouth Area.

#### 307. SUPPORTING THE LEVENMOUTH PLAN - KENNOWAY BOWLING CLUB – FUNDING REQUEST

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods seeking agreement to contribute £9,150 from the Local Community Planning Budget, Anti-Poverty component as match funding to upgrade the facilities at Kennoway Bowling Club as part of the wider regeneration of the building in preparation for its full opening in 2022.

# **Decision**

The Committee agreed to a total contribution of  $\pounds$ 9,150 for 50% of the total cost of the project, and noted: -

- (1) the balance of funding would be drawn from Kennoway Bowling Club reserves;
- (2) cost of the works was based on the most competitive of three quotes;
- (3) the amount of work already carried out over the pandemic to improve the club as a space for the local community and the extent of its use by the local community; and
- (4) the use of anti-poverty funding as an economic support to improve facilities post pandemic and to help protect current and future job opportunities.

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# 308. LOCAL AREA ECONOMIC PROFILES (DECEMBER 2021)

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Business and Employability presenting an annual overview of the local economic profile for each of the seven local committee areas using the latest available data to provide background and context to council activity within each locality to help inform the area committee on decision making.

### **Decision**

The Committee: -

- (1) noted the issues raised from the analysis of the latest available data; and
- (2) recognised the ongoing economic impact and uncertainty resulting from the Covid-19 pandemic and recent UK exit from the European Union.

#### 309. LEVENMOUTH AREA COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

#### **Decision**

The Committee noted the content of the Levenmouth Area Committee forward work programme.