

THE FIFE COUNCIL - GLENROTHES AREA COMMITTEE – REMOTE MEETING

23rd June, 2021

9.30 a.m. – 10.50 a.m.

PRESENT: Councillors Fiona Grant (Convener), John Beare, Julie Ford, Derek Noble, Ross Vettraino and Jan Wincott.

ATTENDING: Norman Laird, Community Manager (Glenrothes), Communities and Neighbourhoods; Rick Haynes, Lead Consultant - Flooding, Shoreline and Harbours, Assets Transportation & Environment; John Flaherty, Housing Manager – Glenrothes & Tenancy Sustainment; Patricia Spacey, Team Manager - Safer Communities; Lisa Taylor, Lead Officer (Safer Communities Officer), Housing Services; Inspector Kirk Donnelly, Community & Response Policing Lead, Police Scotland, Fife Division; Andy Bennett, Station Manager, Glenrothes & St Andrews Fire Stations, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service; and Diane Barnet, Committee Officer, Legal & Democratic Services.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors Altany Craik and Mick Green.

228. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

229. MINUTE

The Committee considered the minute of meeting of the Glenrothes Area Committee of 19th May, 2021.

Decision

The Committee agreed to approve the minute, subject to an amendment to the heading at Para. 224 - 'Proposed 40 mph Speed Limit, U039 from **St Dorstan's** Cemetery to Markinch' - to read '**St Drostan's** Cemetery'.

230. SAFER COMMUNITIES TEAM UPDATE REPORT

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Housing Services providing an update on the operational activity of the Safer Communities Team within the Glenrothes Committee area during the 12-month period 1st April, 2020 to 31st March, 2021.

Decision

The Committee noted the wide range of safer communities' activity undertaken in the Committee area, in line with local priorities and emerging issues.

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231. OPERATIONAL BRIEFING ON POLICING ACTIVITIES WITHIN GLENROTHES AREA – APRIL 2020-APRIL 2021

The Committee considered a report by Inspector Kirk Donnelly, Community and Response Policing Lead, providing information on matters impacting on, or involving Police Scotland, which had relevance to community safety in the Glenrothes policing areas.

Decision

The Committee noted the contents of the report relating to the priorities set out in the Police Scotland, Glenrothes Area Plan for 2020-23.

232. SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE LOCAL PLAN ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Committee considered a report by Andy Bennett, Station Manager, Glenrothes and St Andrews Fire Stations, providing incident information for the period 1st April, 2020 to 31st March, 2021 - which enabled the Committee to have an overview of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) Glenrothes Committee area against its key performance indicators (KPIs).

Decision

The Committee noted the contents of the report and the progress across a range of KPIs detailed in the report.

233. AREA HOUSING PLAN UPDATE

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Housing Services providing an update on progress in delivering service priorities and performance information for the financial year 2020/21 relating to the Glenrothes Area Housing Plan approved in October 2017. A revised Plan would be presented at this Committee once there had been the opportunity to consult on future priorities for the Glenrothes area.

Decision

The Committee:-

- (1) noted the contents of the report and the work progressed through the Area Housing Plan for the financial year 2020/21; and
- (2) acknowledged that a revised Glenrothes Area Housing Plan would be presented at a subsequent meeting of this Committee following consultation on future priorities for the Glenrothes area.

Councillor Julie Ford joined the meeting prior to consideration of the following item.

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234. SEVERE FLOODING IMPACTS AND POTENTIAL MITIGATION

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Assets, Transportation and Environment providing an update on the progress of intelligence gathering following the severe flooding of August 2020 and providing an update relating to Flood Risk Management activities and progress on mitigation measures.

Decision

The Committee:-

- (1) noted the update on the August 2020 flooding event in the Glenrothes area;
- (2) agreed to consider a further report to this Committee on the summary findings once the Glenrothes Flood Study had concluded; and
- (3) requested that Officers provide regular updates at Ward meetings, as appropriate, in the interim.

235. GLENROTHES AREA COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2021/22

The Committee considered the Glenrothes Area Committee draft Forward Work Programme 2021/22.

Decision

The Committee:-

- (1) noted the draft Glenrothes Area Committee Forward Work Programme 2020/21;
 - (2) agreed to feed back to the Community Manager (Glenrothes) and the Convener any suggestions for further reports to be included, within the context of the remit of this Committee; and
 - (3) noted the Forward Work Programme would be amended to include:-
 - revised Glenrothes Area Housing Plan (Para. 233. (2) above refers); and
 - report on the summary findings of the Glenrothes Flood Study at a future meeting of this Committee (Para. 234. (2) above refers).
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