

**THE FIFE COUNCIL - LEVENMOUTH AREA COMMITTEE – REMOTE MEETING**

**21st October, 2020**

**9.30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Ken Caldwell (Convener), David Alexander, Colin Davidson, David Graham, John OBrien, Graham Ritchie, Ryan Smart and Alistair Suttie

**ATTENDING:** Colin Stirling, Lead Consultant, Traffic Management (North-Fife), Assets, Transportation and Environment; David Paterson, Community Manager (Levenmouth); Sarah Johnston, Access Officer, Communities and Neighbourhoods; David Thomson-CRM, Customer Experience Lead Officer / SPSO Liaison Officer, Customer and Online Services; Peter Nicol, Housing Manager - Levenmouth, Housing Services; Michelle Hyslop, Committee Officer, (Minute) and Diane Barnet, Committee Officer (Observer), Legal and Democratic Services

**207. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

**208. MINUTE OF LEVENMOUTH AREA COMMITTEE MEETING OF 9TH SEPTEMBER, 2020**

The Committee considered the minute of the meeting of the Levenmouth Area Committee of 9th September, 2020.

**Decision**

The Committee agreed to approve the minute.

**209. SUPPORTING THE LEVENMOUTH PLAN - COMMUNITY TRADE HUB FUNDING, YOUNG START, YEAR 2**

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods seeking approval for a contribution of £24,000 from the anti-poverty budget, for year 2 of a joint sponsored project involving the Community Trade Hub in Buckhaven. The joint sponsor in this case was the National Lottery, Young Start Fund.

**Decision**

The Committee agreed to allocate funding for year 2 of this joint funded initiative totaling £24,000, from the anti-poverty budget split as follows;

- January 2021 –March 2021 - £9,000
- April 2021 – January 2022 - £15,000

**210. AMENDMENTS TO WAITING RESTRICTIONS LEVEN TOWN CENTRE**

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Assets, Transportation and Environment seeking approval to: -

- (1) amend the location of the taxi rank at Leven bus station on Branch Street, Leven;
- (2) amend “No Waiting at Any Time” restrictions around Leven bus station to adjust the restrictions to the new road layout;
- (3) extend the waiting period of “Limited Waiting” restrictions on North Street, Commercial Road, Parker Terrace, Victoria Road, Waggon Road and Scoonie Road (at Scoonie Terrace), Leven; and
- (4) remove the “Limited Waiting” restrictions on Shore Head, School Lane and Scoonie Road (at Gladstone Street), Leven.

**Decision**

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

- (1) agreed to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to remove and introduce the restrictions detailed in drawing no. TRO/20/03/PROP-PART1 and TRO/20/03/PROP-PART2 with all ancillary procedures; and
- (2) authorised officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order within a reasonable period unless there were objections.

**211. PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS - HIGH STREET, METHIL**

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Assets, Transportation and Environment proposing: -

- (1) extending the time limit on the “Limited Waiting” restriction on High Street, Methil; and
- (2) revoking a historic ‘No Waiting and Limited Loading’ restriction on High Street, Methil and replacing it with a ‘No Waiting at any Time’ restriction.

**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 drawing nos. TRO/20/06 with all ancillary procedures; and
- (2) authorised officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order within a reasonable period unless there were objections.

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**212. PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY DIVERSION, DUNBARNIE LINKS, DRUMELDRIE FIFE**

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods seeking approval for a diversion of public right of way FN702 at Dunbarnie Links.

**Decision**

The Committee approved the proposed diversion of the public right of way under section 35 of the Countryside (Scotland) Act 1967, subject to the advised correction to the width of public right of way detailed in the report to 3 metres

**213. COMPLAINTS UPDATE ANNUAL REPORT**

The Committee considered and scrutinised a report by the Executive Director, Communities providing an overview of complaints received relating to the Levenmouth area for the year, from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2020.

**Decision**

The Committee: -

- (1) noted the content of the report on complaints received; and
- (2) acknowledged the decrease in complaints responded to in target timescales and the proportionality of Service complaints

**214. LEVENMOUTH AREA HOUSING SERVICES PERFORMANCE UPDATE**

The Committee considered and scrutinised a report by the Head of Housing Services, providing the latest progress update on the Levenmouth Area Housing Plan outcomes for the period up to 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2020 and originally approved by this Committee on 15th November, 2017.

The revised plan for 2021 / 2023 will be presented at Committee once there has been the opportunity to consult on future priorities for the Levenmouth area, in line with the Levenmouth Local Community Plan and the Local Housing Strategy (2020-22).

**Decision**

The Committee noted the content of the report and the progress made with the Area Housing Plan and its outcomes.

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**215. SETTLEMENT TRUSTS - ANNUAL UPDATE ON EXPENDITURE AND FUNDS 2019/20**

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods providing a position on the expenditure relating to the Settlement Trusts in the Levenmouth area and also providing a Fife wide statement of funds held in both capital and revenue accounts as at April, 2020.

**Decision**

The Committee noted:-

- (1) the expenditure statement for the financial year 2019/20 as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report;
- (2) the funds available at the year-end relating to amounts held as interest in revenue and as capital;
- (3) the detail of the projects supported by the disbursement of the funds outlined in the report; and
- (4) the acceptable use for this funding as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report.

**216. PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Assets, Transportation and Environment advising members of action taken using the List of Officer Powers in relation to property transactions.

**Decision**

The Committee noted the report.

**217. LEVENMOUTH AREA COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME**

**Decision**

The Committee noted the forward work programme.

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