

THE FIFE COUNCIL - LEVENMOUTH AREA COMMITTEE – BLENDED MEETING

Committee Room 2, 5th Floor, Fife House, North Street, Glenrothes.

5th April, 2023

9.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT: Councillors Colin Davidson (Convener) Tom Adams, David Alexander, Ken Caldwell, Eugene Clarke, David Graham, John O'Brien and Alistair Suttie.

ATTENDING: David Paterson, Community Manager (Area), Communities and Neighbourhoods; Lynne Garvey, Head of Community Care Services (Senior Leadership Team Lead for Levenmouth, H&SC Locality Planning Group), Jacquie Stringer, Locality Planning Co-ordinator, Health & Social Care Partnership; Lesley Craig, Lead Consultant, Traffic Management North and Michelle Hyslop, Committee Officer, Committee Services.

46. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Graham declared an interest in Para. 54 – Community Recovery Fund Proposals – Combined Report, as he was the treasurer at Methilhill Bowling Club.

Councillor Davidson declared an interest in Para. 56 – Supporting the Levenmouth Local Community Plan – Fifers for the Community Resource Request – Community Recovery Fund, as he had been a founding member in setting up Fifers for the Community.

47. MINUTE

The Committee considered the minute of the meeting of the Levenmouth Area Committee of 8th February, 2023.

Decision

The Committee agreed to approve the minute.

48. SPEED LIMIT REVIEW OF A911 AND VARIOUS STREETS IN WINDYGATES

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Roads and Transportation, asking members to consider the proposals to:

- (1) extend the existing 40mph speed limit on the A911 at Cameron Bridge, approximately 445m to the west of the current speed limit change from the National Speed Limit; and
- (2) reduce the speed limit along Station Road, Durie Bank, and Durie Vale, Windygates from 30mph to 20mph.

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The Committee agreed, in the interests of road safety: -

- (1) to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce the restrictions detailed in drawings no. TRO/23/09A and TRO/23/10 with all ancillary procedures;
- (2) to the promotion of a Pedestrian Crossing Notice (PCN) as shown in drawing TRO/23/09B; and
- (3) to authorise officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order within a reasonable period, unless there were objections.

49. PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS AND DISABLED BAY – SCOONIE ROAD, LEVEN

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Roads and Transportation, asking members to consider the proposals to amend waiting times and introduce a disabled bay on a layby at the north end of Scoonie Road, Leven.

Decision

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

- (1) to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce the restrictions detailed in drawing no. TRO/23/13 with all ancillary procedures; and
- (2) to authorise officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) within a reasonable period unless there were objections.

50. PROPOSED WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS – HIGH STREET, DURIE STREET, BANK STREET, FORTH STREET AND MITCHELL STREET, LEVEN

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Roads and Transportation, advising of proposals to introduce waiting and loading restrictions on the High Street, Durie Street, Bank Street, Forth Street, and Mitchell Street, Leven.

Decision

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

- (1) to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce the restrictions detailed in drawing no. TRO/22/55 with all ancillary procedures; and
- (2) to authorise officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) within a reasonable period unless there were objections.

51. PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS – METHIL BRAE, METHIL

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Roads and Transportation, advising of proposals to introduce restrictions on Methil Brae, Methil.

Decision

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

- (1) to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce the restrictions detailed in drawing no. TRO/23/04 with all ancillary procedures; and
- (2) to authorise officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) within a reasonable period unless there were objections. ,

52. HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE LOCALITY REPORT

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Community Care Services, providing members with an overview of the Health & Social Care (H&SC) Locality Planning for the Levenmouth Area.

Decision

The Committee: -

- (1) noted the content of the report; and
- (2) agreed that the health and social care partnership would provide 6 monthly update reports on locality planning and joint areas of interest between the Health and Social Care Partnership and community planning partners.

53. LEVENMOUTH LOCAL COMMUNITY PLAN - INTERIM REPORT

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods, advising on the current draft priorities for the 2023-2026 Levenmouth Community Plan and seeking agreement to test out the proposed priorities with local people, to ensure that the areas of focus aligned with local residents concerns and aspirations.

Decision

The Committee: -

- (1) agreed the draft priorities that would form the Local Community Plan for 2023-2026;
- (2) noted that the priorities would be tested further with local residents and organisations to ensure that they aligned with local concerns and aspirations; and
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- (3) noted that a subsequent report would be brought back to the Area Committee once the statement of priorities and supporting statement of improvement actions were aligned with the priorities.

54. **COMMUNITY RECOVERY FUND PROPOSALS – COMBINED REPORT**

Having earlier declared an interest, Councillor Graham left the meeting prior to consideration of this item.

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods, seeking agreement to proceed on a range of Community Recovery Fund (CRF) proposals totaling approximately £447,000.

Decision

The Committee: -

- (1) agreed the funding requests detailed in section 2 of the report to allow the projects to be implemented;
- (2) noted the business plan proposals relevant to each proposal contained in the CRF01 attachments to the report; and
- (3) noted that the 'Support for Non Fife Council Facilities' framework proposals approved in (2) above would trigger permission for officers to start work with Methilhill Bowling Club, who had made an early application to the Community Recovery fund.

Councillor Graham re-joined the meeting at this stage.

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

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods, seeking to secure £26,210.33 of funding for the 2022/23 financial year to support the increased Police resource in the Levenmouth Area for a period of 7 months, to focus on specific anti-social behaviour issues.

Decision

The Committee: -

- (1) confirmed support for the coordinated approach previously taken by local partners in 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022;
- (2) agreed the funding request of £26,210.33 to allow the Police resource to be allocated as it was key to spearheading the partnership approach to this priority issue;
- (3) noted that the total cost of £26,210.33 was the pro-rata Police Constable salary for 7 months as at 2022, and this figure might be subject to change in April 2023; and
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- (4) noted that Police Scotland would match fund this spend by allocating a further police resource to create a team of two dedicated officers to counter anti-social behaviour within the Levenmouth Area.

56. **SUPPORTING THE LEVENMOUTH LOCAL COMMUNITY PLAN – FIFERS FOR THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE REQUEST - COMMUNITY RECOVERY FUND.**

Having earlier declared an interest, Councillor Davidson left the meeting prior to consideration of this item. The Depute Convener thereafter took the chair.

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighborhoods seeking agreement to contribute £21,000 from the Community Recovery Fund to support the continuation of the Fifers for the Community (FFTC) staffing resource within the Levenmouth area over the fiscal year 2023/24. This cost covered two officer positions within the FFTC and was an update on a previous report considered on 8th February, 2023 at the Levenmouth Area Committee.

Decision

The Committee agreed to contribute £21,700 from the Community Recovery Fund, to support the continuation of the Fifers for the Community (FFTC) officer activity for the 2023/24 financial year.

Councillor Davidson re-joined the meeting the meeting at this stage.

57. **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 content of the report.

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

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Services in support of the Committee's consideration of the Levenmouth Area Committee Forward Workplan.

Decision

The Committee reviewed and agreed on the content of the forward work plan for the Levenmouth Area Committee.
