

# STIRLING COUNCIL

**MINUTES of MEETING of the ENVIRONMENT & HOUSING COMMITTEE held in the COUNCIL CHAMBERS, OLD VIEWFORTH, STIRLING on THURSDAY 11 APRIL 2019 at 10.00am**

## **Present**

Councillor Jim THOMSON (Convener)

Councillor Maureen BENNISON

Councillor Neil BENNY

Councillor Danny GIBSON

Councillor Graham LAMBIE

Councillor Alasdair MACPHERSON

Councillor Alastair MAJURY

Councillor Ross OXBURGH

Councillor Alasdair TOLLEMACHE

## **In Attendance**

Kevin Argue, Transport Development Team Leader

Richard Callender, Planning Officer

Lorna Cameron, Chief Housing Officer

Christina Cox, Service Manager, Planning & Building Standards

David Crighton, Land Services Manager

Kerray Dawson, Business Management Team Leader

Claire Davidson, Solicitor

Gillian Findlay, Team Leader

Carlyn Fraser, Roads & Land Service Team Leader

Emma Fyvie, Team Leader

Graham Gibson, Senior Media Officer

Fiona Grant, Housing Officer

David Hopper, Sustainable Development Manager

Maria Lucey, Roads & Land Services Team Leader

Lorraine MacGillivray, Service Manager

Colin MacKay, Land Service Team Leader

Malcolm McArdle, Waste Collections Team Leader

Graeme McCaffery, Team Leader - Safer Communities

Kevin McCormick, Waste Services Manager

Susan McDougall, Transport Planning Officer

Gillian McKenzie, Accountant

Isabel McKnight, Chief Officer, Strategic, Commissioning & Customer Development

Robert Plewes, Transport Scheduling Co-ordinator

Brian Roberts, Senior Manager – Infrastructure

Lynn Smith-White, Team Leader Intake

Kenny Snedden, Team Leader

Gregor Wightman, Private Sector Housing Manager

Joyce Allen, Election & Democratic Transformation Manager (Clerk)

Louise McDonald, Committee Officer (Minutes)

## **EH112 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies were submitted on behalf of Councillor Evelyn Tweed and Councillor Martin Earl. Councillor Maureen Bennison was in attendance as substitute for Councillor Tweed and Councillor Neil Benny was in attendance as substitute for Councillor Earl.

### **EH113 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **EH114 URGENT BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE CHAIR**

The Chief Housing Officer provided an update on the recent deaths within Council properties and confirmed that members would be kept up-to-date on the situation.

### **EH115 MINUTES OF MEETINGS – 7 FEBRUARY 2019**

#### **Decision**

The Committee approved the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7 February 2019 as a correct record of proceedings.

### **EH116 ROLLING ACTION LOG**

The Action Log provided an update on actions from previous meeting.

Members referred to EH103 07/2/19 and requested that officers provide expected completion dates and add comments for all actions within the log.

Following a member query regarding EH78 13/9/18 officers agreed to provide the total of households which receive the assisted pull out service.

#### **Decision**

The Committee noted the content of the Log.

### **EH117 PETITION – TO IMPROVE THE FOOTPATH SURFACE AND LIGHTING ON THE BISHOPS WALK, DUNBLANE**

The paper updated Elected Members on the petition previously submitted by the petitioner Mrs Heather Bovill, who called on the Council to improve the footpath surface and lighting of the Bishops Walk, Dunblane.

The service had engaged previously with Legal Services to undertake a title search of readily available records. The initial search was not able to establish land ownership based on the information supplied by various Council services. A more detailed search had been initiated by the service, utilising Landownership Scotland. Additional anecdotal information relating to the Cromlix Estate had been provided to Landownership Scotland to assist in the search. The search results returned advised that no records were available to identify ownership.

The footpath had not been adopted by the Council Roads Service and therefore there was no responsibility to carry out maintenance or improvements to the section of footway.

Officers confirmed that the petitioner, Mrs Heather Bovill, would be advised of the outcome.

Discussion took place around the implications and concerns should the Council adopt the footpath.

## **Motion**

“The Committee agreed to instruct:

1. Legal officers to put down a note to acquire the land, adopt the footpath and carry out necessary repairs; and
2. Officers to prepare a policy on the acquisition of land.

Proposed by Councillor Neil Benny and seconded by Councillor Alastair Majury

## **Amendment**

“The Committee noted the updated response and acknowledged the inability to locate the registered landowner who had Title and responsibility to maintain this area of land and agreed that the Petition be closed.”

Proposed by Councillor Jim Thomson and seconded by Councillor Danny Gibson.

On the roll being called the Members present voted as follows:-

### For the Amendment (5)

Councillor Maureen Bennison  
Councillor Danny Gibson  
Councillor Graham Lambie  
Councillor Alasdair MacPherson  
Councillor Jim Thomson

### Against the Amendment (3)

Councillor Neil Benny  
Councillor Alastair Majury  
Councillor Ross Oxburgh

### Not Voting (1)

Councillor Alasdair Tollemache

The Amendment was carried by 5 votes to 3 votes with one Member not voting and became the Substantive Motion.

### For the Substantive Motion (5)

Councillor Maureen Bennison  
Councillor Danny Gibson  
Councillor Graham Lambie  
Councillor Alasdair MacPherson  
Councillor Jim Thomson

### Against the Substantive Motion (3)

Councillor Neil Benny  
Councillor Alastair Majury  
Councillor Ross Oxburgh

### Not Voting (1)

Councillor Alasdair Tollemache

The Substantive Motion was carried 5 votes to 3 votes with one Member not voting.

### **Decision**

The Committee:

1. noted the updated response and acknowledged the inability to locate the registered landowner who had Title and responsibility to maintain this area of land.
2. agreed that the Petition be closed.

(Reference: Report by Senior Manager Infrastructure, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

### **EH118 PETITION UPDATE - REPAIR OF STONE WALL ALONG THE PERTH ROAD (B8033) DUNBLANE**

The paper set out to update Elected Members on the previous submitted Petition requesting the Council to carry out repairs to the stone wall along Perth Road, Dunblane and the efforts by Council Officers in trying to obtain action from the wall owners to initiate repairs.

The section of wall referred to sits on private land and forms the boundary between the adopted footway and the private land, Ledcameroch adjacent to the B8033 in Dunblane.

Discussion took place around the work required for the footpath to be reopened and pursuing reimbursement of costs for this.

### **Decision**

The Committee agreed:

1. to note the steps Council Officers have taken to advise the landowners of their need to carry out repairs to the wall and the measures to maintain road user safety.
2. instruct Officers to arrange for the demolition of the wall, erection of post and wire fence and pursue reimbursement of costs from the landowners.
3. to close the Petition.

(Reference: Report by Senior Manager Infrastructure, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

### **EH119 HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT – PROJECTED OUTTURN 2018/19**

The report updated the Committee on the current income and expenditure relating to the Housing Revenue Account and provided details of expenditure items and variations which had occurred during the financial year 2018/19.

### **Housing Revenue Account**

The projected outturn for 2018/19 shows expenditure of £20.91M against a budget of £21.02M. The level of balances retained by the Housing Revenue Account would remain at £986,000.

### **Housing Investment Programme**

The 2018/19 Housing Investment Programme shows expenditure of £13.310M against a budget of £14.499M. The level of new borrowing required for the current year was £1.552M under budget at £4.016M.

Following a Member query, officers agreed to provide Councillor MacPherson with figures on the loss of Grant Funding as a result of slippage in projects where the service was managing and building the homes.

Discussion took place around the vacant commercial units on Goosecroft Road. Officers agreed to provide an update on the vacant commercial properties on Goosecroft Road and also provide detail on the design plan on the commercial properties on Goosecroft Road.

### **Decision**

The Committee noted that:

1. expenditure on the Housing Revenue Account for 2018/19 was £20.91M;
2. the year end retained balances would be £986,000;
3. expenditure on the Housing Investment Programme was £13.31M; and
4. the borrowing requirement for 2018/19 was £4.016M.

(Reference: Report by Chief Officer - Housing, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

## **EH120 PERFORMANCE & STRATEGIC PRIORITIES PROGRESS REPORT**

The report contained the Environment and Housing Committee Scorecard that had been redesigned as a result of discussions with Elected Members and Senior Management Teams.

The report presented the latest information on the performance indicators overseen by the Housing and Environment Committee.

Following a Member query regarding the reporting of Waste, officers agreed to provide March waste figures to Councillor Oxburgh and to record previous year's waste figures alongside the current year's figures.

Following a Member query, officers agreed to provide historical pot hole claim figures to Councillor Lambie.

Officers agreed that the formatting be amended for the Broken Glass figures within the report.

### **Decision**

The Committee agreed to note the performance of reported indicators within the Committee Scorecard.

(Reference: Report by Senior Manager Infrastructure & Chief Officer - Housing, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

## **EH121 SAFER COMMUNITIES – ENFORCEMENT UPDATE**

The report provided an update to the Committee on enforcement action undertaken by the Safer Communities Team (SCT) since 4 January 2019 to 1 March 2019.

The Safer Communities Team continued to use an intelligence led approach to dealing with antisocial behaviour and environmental crimes. Between 4 January 2019 and 1 March 2019, the Safer Communities Team received 56 recorded service requests in relation to Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB). There were two applications for Anti-Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs) at Legal Services for submission to court in regard to tenancy related ASB.

The service was piloting a project with two Primary Schools, Riverside and Dunblane, whereby the Dog Warden would work with the school Citizenship Groups to promote responsible dog ownership, particularly in and around school playgrounds and playing fields. Once these had been assessed a programme would be rolled out to other schools who were interested in this. Activities would include school visits and talks, poster design and highlighting the projects through Communications.

A high specification and definition Wireless CCTV camera was currently being installed at the Small Vennel in the Top of the Town area following complaints of antisocial behaviour and criminality. The pilot use of the camera would help inform the procurement process that was underway for the purchase of additional cameras that were to be located at underpasses in the Stirling area. Any other available deployable cameras would be situated in areas on an intelligence led basis after consultation with Police Scotland and local communities if necessary.

The service would be refocussing some attention on open space antisocial behaviour following some recent analysis and discussion with colleagues in Police Scotland. An analysis of calls received by the police during January revealed that only 5% of calls classified as Anti-Social Behaviour were related to neighbour disputes, the rest being public nuisance, noise and disturbances. The services had jointly applied for four ASBOs in relation to individuals identified as regularly causing problems in and around the city centre.

A member queried how long it took to progress an Anti-Social Behaviour case and officers advised that each case was different and therefore would had different timescales.

Following discussion around byelaws for play areas/playing fields, officers undertook to look at possible byelaws relating to enclosed children's play parks.

### **Decision**

Committee agreed to note the contents of this report.

(Reference: Report by Senior Manager - Infrastructure, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

## **EH122 RENT ARREARS POLICY REVIEW**

The report presented an updated rent arrears policy.

A small working group was set up following discussion at the Housing Advisory Group. The group reviewed the current rent arrears policy in conjunction with good practice and the recommendations from Adrian Stalker QC in December 2015.

The group agreed that the aims and general principles of the policy remained unchanged. The group agreed that only minor changes to the rent policy were required in order to comply with plain English guidelines. The group agreed that the

policy should be reviewed every 3 years as opposed to the current review period of 4 years. A draft policy was sent out to all members of the group in June 2018 for final feedback.

The draft arrears policy was presented to the Housing Advisory Group on 21 September 2018. In addition, the Service recommended a change to the name of the Policy from “Rent Arrears Policy” to “Rent and Income Management Policy” to Housing Advisory Group on 11 March 2019 for final approval. All changes were agreed at this meeting.

Following a Member query around Short Scottish Secure Tenancies (SSST), officers agreed to provide detail of the progress of those placed on SSST to Councillor MacPherson.

### **Decision**

The Committee agreed the revised rent arrears policy and change of title to rent and income management policy.

(Reference: Report by Chief Officer – Housing, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

## **EH123 ROADS INFRASTRUCTURE MODERNISATION AND INVESTMENT PROGRAMME**

The report sought the approval from Elected Members for the proposed; Roads Infrastructure Modernisation and Investment Programme 2019/20; Traffic Management & Community Road Safety Programme 2019/20 and the Road Safety Plan: Implementation of Accident Sites Remedial Programme 2019/20. The paper set out the proposed programme of projects across all three Capital work streams.

The Service had completed the Roads Investment Programme for 2018/19 as set out in Appendix 1 with the exception of four of the intended roads surfacing projects at, A9 Plean; Portend, Port of Menteith; Pendreich Rd and the C3 South Alloa Rd. The resources allocated to these projects permitted the extension of other identified schemes.

The Council had provided a Capital allocation of £4.600M for the Road Infrastructure Modernisation and Investment Programme for 2019/20. The proposed allocation between Carriageways and Footways is £3.910M and £0.690M respectively. The service had prepared a priority list of proposed road improvement projects set out in Appendix 2 to the report.

The Traffic Management & Community Road Safety allocation of £0.200M for 2019/20 had been allocated for contributions towards Safer Routes to Schools; road signage and markings; and to improve road safety within local communities. A list of the proposed projects was contained in Appendix 3.

The Road Safety Plan allocation of £0.160M was to address identified road safety issues and deliver remedial works that reduced or removed the identified risk. These works included; village entry or gateway features to reduce speed; or address identified accident blackspot sites. A list of proposed projects was contained in Appendix 4.

Officers agreed to publish the final versions of Appendices via the Information Bulletin.

## **Decision**

Committee agreed to:

1. note the delivery of the Roads Infrastructure Modernisation and Improvement Programme of works during 2018/19 (Appendix 1 and Appendix 1a);
2. approve the attached (Appendix 2) Roads Infrastructure Modernisation and Investment Programme of works for 2019/20;
3. approve the Traffic Management & Community Road Safety Programme (Appendix 3) of works for 2019/20; and
4. approve the Road Safety Plan: Implementation of Accident Sites Remedial Programme (Appendix 4) of works for 2019/20.

(Reference: Report by Senior Manager - Infrastructure, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

## **EH124 UPDATE ON STREET LIGHTING INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2014/15 TO 2018/19**

The report updated the Committee on the street lighting investment programme that took place between 2014/15 and 2018/19. The report also provided information on the areas that had been upgraded with column and lantern renewals, and the benefits realised for the investment.

In 2013 Stirling Council along with six other Councils received funding from the Scottish Futures Trust that allowed a Column Condition Survey to be carried out. Six thousand lighting columns over 25 years old were surveyed. Columns less than 25 years of age were considered to be structurally sound and could be fitted with LED lamps. The survey had assisted with a means to prioritise a replacement programme although age was only one factor.

Stirling Council had 14,420 street lighting columns. At the start of the programme the service planned to convert an estimated 12,000 sodium lanterns to LED and upgrade up to 4,000 columns to new columns. Up to 31 March 2019, 10,620 lanterns would have been converted and 3,622 columns replaced, with an additional 29 adopted from a developer, and 77 in progress. Carrying out the LED lantern upgrade would result in up to a 50% reduction in energy consumption for the units converted.

The Service Manager, Operations undertook to look into the painting of columns within conservation areas.

## **Decision**

The Committee agreed to:

1. note the contents of the report and the progress to date for the street lighting upgrade, renewal of columns, lanterns and associated cabling to date, as contained in Appendix 1;
2. agree the areas for street lighting upgrades as contained within Appendix 2;
3. note the 43% reduction in energy consumption for street lighting since the start of the programme referred to in Appendix 3; and
4. acknowledge the hard work carried out by the street lighting team on delivery of the programme to date.



(Reference: Report by Senior Manager - Infrastructure, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

## **EH125 COMMUNITY FLOOD MANAGEMENT PROJECTS**

The report sought the approval from Elected Members for the proposed; Community Flood Management Projects 2019/20. The paper set out the proposed programme of projects across all three Capital work streams including providing additional details in the appendix.

The Council provided a Capital allocation of £150,000 for the Community Flood Management Projects for 2019/20. The works included completion and third party review of Surface Water Management Plans, burn restoration, drainage improvements, community engagement and awareness raising.

The investment would allow the service to partially fulfil the Local Flood Risk Management Plan objectives and actions, together with fulfilment of the statutory duties under the Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009.

The proposed Community Flooding Management Projects would reduce flood risk and bring social as well as economic benefits to areas of risk.

### **Decision**

The Committee agreed to approve the projects proposed for 2019-20 set out in Appendix 1.

(Reference: Report by Senior Manager - Infrastructure, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

## **EH126 INVESTMENT IN PLAY AREAS 2019/20**

Following the approval of the capital programme and allocations on the 21 February 2019, the report sought to identify items of play equipment in pocket parks for replacement in 2019/20 and to obtain approval from Elected Members for the detailed replacement programme related to Investment in Play Areas for 2019/20 to be delivered from a £45,000 general services allocation. The report also informed on the programmed investment from £93,000 of Sect 75 monies and £42,000 external grant funding. The report also confirmed areas of investment undertaken in 2018/19 from general services and Section 75 developer's contributions capital investment.

The service had prepared a prioritised list of proposed play equipment for replacement within pocket park play areas across the Council area. Equipment had been prioritised on the criteria of health and safety, remaining service life and community group funding.

Investment in play areas from Section 75 monies in 2019/20 was intended for Strathblane at King George V Park, Killearn at Crosshead Road play area, Cambussbarron at King George V Park and Raploch at Craigforth play area.

Investment in additional play equipment from an external grant was intended for Kings Park play area in partnership with Friends of Kings Park.

Following a member query, officers agreed to share the Play Parks programme with Elected Members.

### **Decision**

The Committee agreed to:

1. approve the projects proposed for 2019/20 set out in Appendix 1;
2. agree that communities affected by the proposed project list in Appendix 1 will be consulted direct or via community link workers on options for replacement children's play equipment items and that where communities have raised external funding the Capital Programme shall seek to support this to enable and support community efforts in partnership and maximise replacement play equipment benefits; and
3. note the projects undertaken in 2018/19 set out in Appendix 2.

(Reference: Report by Chief Officer Strategic Commissioning & Customer Development, on behalf of Senior Manager - Infrastructure, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

*At 12.40pm the Committee agreed to adjourn for a Comfort Break  
in terms of Standing Order 42*

*The Meeting reconvened at 1.05pm  
with all Elected Members (previously noted) present*

## **EH127 DUNBLANE COMMUNITY PARKING MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The purpose of the report was to provide Elected Members with:

1. an update on the engagement and consultation work which took place in Dunblane in support of the development of a Community Parking Management Plan (CPMP) for the town;
2. consideration of the issues raised during the engagement and consultation of the CPMP;
3. detail the proposed options and phasing of the Dunblane CPMP; and
4. final proposed recommendations which were reflective of the engagement with the community.

Following a discussion around visibility of disabled parking spaces, officers agreed to look at options to enhance identification of disabled spaces.

### **Motion**

"The Committee agreed to:

1. note the content of the report,
2. approve the recommended Community Parking Management Plan (CPMP) phasing approach for Dunblane; and
3. remit Officers to proceed with associated Traffic Regulation Order work to implement Phase 1 of the Dunblane CPMP."

Proposed by Councillor Jim Thomson and seconded by Councillor Danny Gibson

### **Amendment**

"The Committee agreed to:

1. note the content of this report, and
2. remit Officers to proceed with a further public consultation on the plan.

Proposed by Councillor Alastair Majury and seconded by Councillor Neil Benny”

On the roll being called the Members present voted as follows:-

For the Amendment (3)

Councillor Neil Benny  
Councillor Alistair Majury  
Councillor Ross Oxburgh

Against the Amendment (6)

Councillor Maureen Bennison  
Councillor Danny Gibson  
Councillor Graham Lambie  
Councillor Alasdair MacPherson  
Councillor Jim Thomson  
Councillor Alasdair Tollemache

The Amendment fell by 6 votes to 3 votes.

On the roll being called the Members present voted as follows:-

For the Motion (6)

Councillor Maureen Bennison  
Councillor Danny Gibson  
Councillor Graham Lambie  
Councillor Alasdair MacPherson  
Councillor Jim Thomson  
Councillor Alasdair Tollemache

Against the Motion (3)

Councillor Neil Benny  
Councillor Alistair Majury  
Councillor Ross Oxburgh

The Motion was carried by 6 votes to 3 votes.

**Decision**

The Committee agreed to:

1. note the content of the report,
2. approve the recommended Community Parking Management Plan (CPMP) phasing approach for Dunblane; and
3. remit Officers to proceed with associated Traffic Regulation Order work to implement Phase 1 of the Dunblane CPMP.

(Reference: Report by Chief Officer Strategic Commissioning & Customer Development, on behalf of Senior Manager - Infrastructure, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

## **EH128 RURAL BUS SERVICE PILOTS**

The report included the outcome of a review of the performance of three rural bus services, introduced as pilot schemes under a rural transport initiative launched in 2017. The performance review was necessary to make a decision on the future funding of the pilots and their subsequent continued operation.

The pilot bus services introduced were:

1. Service C12C Balfron – Stirling (Fridays and Saturdays only)
2. Service C59 Stirling – Callander (Fridays and Saturdays only)
3. Service S60 Tyndrum – Springkerse (1st and 3rd Saturday of each month).

The three pilot services had been evaluated alongside other supported services using an, already approved evaluation tool developed in 2008 to assess service viability. The tool was used to evaluate each contract based on the criteria of: Service Usage, Accessibility, Social Inclusion (Employment), Social Inclusion (Age/Disability), Economy and Sustainability. The results of the analysis appeared in Appendix 1.

The three pilot services were the lowest scoring of all the Council's contracted services. Service C12C and Service C59 scoring 14 points, with Service S60 each scoring 16 points.

Due to the low score in the evaluation tool, the low patronage and high subsidy per passenger, it was proposed that the C12C and the C59 were withdrawn. Due to the higher score on the evaluation tool and the lower subsidy per passenger it was proposed that the S60 service continued to operate and be funded from the 2019/20 £50k budget for rural transport pilots.

Officers would work with affected communities looking at promoting DRT services, and to consider if there were any other models of rural transport that could be considered and possibly piloted.

### **Motion**

“The Committee agreed:

1. to note that all the C12C and C59 services were discontinuing as they had not been accommodated in the 2019/20 budget setting, and did not represent best value;
2. to the continuation of the S60 bus service, which would be paid through the 2019/20 budget allocated to rural transport pilots; and
3. to delegate responsibility to the Senior Manager - Infrastructure, to determine how the remaining rural transport pilot budget 2019/20 would be spent, in conjunction with the Convener, Vice Convener of the Environment & Housing Committee and Local Ward Councillors.”

Proposed by Councillor Jim Thomson and seconded by Councillor Danny Gibson

### **Amendment**

“The Committee agreed:

1. to note that the C12C service was discontinuing as it had not been accommodated in the 2019/20 budget setting, and did not represent best value;

2. that the C59 bus service be extended for a further 6 months;
3. to the continuation of the S60 bus service, which would be paid through the 2019/20 budget allocated to rural transport pilots; and
4. to delegate responsibility to the Senior Manager - Infrastructure, to determine how the remaining rural transport pilot budget 2019/20 would be spent, in conjunction with the Convener, Vice Convener of the Environment & Housing Committee and Local Ward Councillors.

Proposed by Councillor Ross Oxburgh and seconded by Councillor Neil Benny

On the roll being called the Members present voted as follows:-

For the Amendment (4)

Councillor Neil Benny  
Councillor Alistair Majury  
Councillor Ross Oxburgh  
Councillor Alasdair Tollemache

Against the Amendment (5)

Councillor Maureen Bennison  
Councillor Danny Gibson  
Councillor Graham Lambie  
Councillor Alasdair MacPherson  
Councillor Jim Thomson

The Amendment fell by 5 votes to 4 votes.

On the roll being called the Members present voted as follows:-

For the Motion (5)

Councillor Maureen Bennison  
Councillor Danny Gibson  
Councillor Graham Lambie  
Councillor Alasdair MacPherson  
Councillor Jim Thomson

Against the Motion (4)

Councillor Neil Benny  
Councillor Alistair Majury  
Councillor Ross Oxburgh  
Councillor Alasdair Tollemache

The Motion was carried by 5 votes to 4 votes.

**Decision**

The Committee agreed:

1. to note that all the C12C and C59 services were discontinuing as they had not been accommodated in the 2019/20 budget setting, and did not represent best value;

2. agree to the continuation of the S60 bus service, which would be paid through the 2019/20 budget allocated to rural transport pilots; and
3. agree to delegate responsibility to the Senior Manager - Infrastructure, to determine how the remaining rural transport pilot budget 2019/20 would be spent, in conjunction with the Convener, Vice Convener of the Environment & Housing Committee and Local Ward Councillors.

(Reference: Report by Chief Officer Strategic Commissioning & Customer Development on behalf of Senior Manager - Infrastructure, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

#### **EH129 DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE ON HOUSING IN THE COUNTRYSIDE, TRANSPORT AND ACCESS FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT AND FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT AND THE WATER ENVIRONMENT**

The purpose of the report was to seek approval for draft Supplementary Guidance for consultation purposes on Housing in the Countryside, Transport and Access for New Development and Flood Risk Management and the Water Environment. Once adopted, these documents would form part of the Stirling Local Development Plan 2018.

Following a member query, officers agreed to a consultation taking place with the Access Panel on adequacy of parking.

Following a discussion around parking standards, officers agreed to an all Members briefing being arranged on the Transport Planning Policy.

#### **Decision**

The Committee agreed to:

1. approve Draft Supplementary Guidance relating to Housing in the Countryside, as the basis of public consultation;
2. approve Draft Supplementary Guidance relating to Transport and Access for New Development, as the basis of public consultation; and
3. approve Draft Supplementary Guidance relating to Flood Risk Management and the Water Environment, as the basis of public consultation.

(Reference: Report by Senior Manager - Infrastructure, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

#### **EH130 SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE ON HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT, CHALET AND HUT DEVELOPMENTS AND THE STIRLING AND CLACKMANNANSHIRE FORESTRY AND WOODLAND STRATEGY**

Approval was sought for Council responses to comments received on previously published Supplementary Guidance (SG) documents on the Historic Environment, Chalet and Hut Developments and the Forestry and Woodland Strategy. Authority to adopt the three SG documents as part of the Stirling Local Development Plan 2018 was also sought.

#### **Decision**

The Committee agreed to:

1. approve Council responses to comments received on draft Supplementary Guidance on the Historic Environment and for these to be incorporated into

finalised Supplementary Guidance, as set out in Appendix 1a, to be adopted as part of the Stirling Local Development Plan;

2. approve Council responses to comments received on draft Supplementary Guidance on Chalet and Hut Developments and for these to be incorporated into finalised Supplementary Guidance, as set out in Appendix 1b, to be adopted as part of the Stirling Local Development Plan; and
3. approve Council responses to comments received on draft Supplementary Guidance on Stirling and Clackmannanshire Forestry and Woodland Strategy and for these to be incorporated into finalised Supplementary Guidance, as set out in Appendix 1c, to be adopted as part of the Stirling Local Development Plan.

(Reference: Report by Senior Manager - Infrastructure, dated 2 April 2019, submitted)

### **EH131 SCOTTISH MATERIALS BROKERAGE SERVICE FOR RESIDUAL WASTE TREATMENT/DISPOSAL**

From 1 Jan 2021, landfill operators in Scotland would be prohibited from accepting black bag residual waste for disposal in landfill.

The Council must now put in place a legally compliant medium-term secure contract for the processing and treatment of its 20K tonnes of residual waste and begin to undertake market insight into a longer-term treatment solution as part of a potential Local Authority collaboration.

Following a member query, officers agreed to ensure Elected Members received regular updates.

A Report on the longer term position to be submitted to future Environment & Housing Committee Meeting.

#### **Decision**

The Committee agreed to:

1. approve signing of the Agency Agreement for the 'Scottish Materials Brokerage Service for Residual Waste Treatment/Disposal' by Senior Manager - Infrastructure to permit Scottish Procurement to contract on behalf of the Council, which would enable the Council to enter into contract immediately until 1 October 2022, with the potential for 2 further 1 year extensions. This will effectively be business as usual with the Council's incumbent supplier; and
2. agree for the Council to explore potential Local Authority partnership arrangements (by inter-authority agreement or collaborative procurement process) to produce an amalgamated residual waste tonnage, to regionally secure long-term access to a best value and secure treatment solution.

(Reference: Report by Chief Officer Strategic Commissioning & Customer Development, on behalf of Senior Manager - Infrastructure, dated 3 April 2019, submitted)

The Convener closed the Meeting 2.10pm