

**MINUTES of MEETING of ENVIRONMENT, DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE
COMMITTEE held ON A HYBRID BASIS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY,
LOCHGILPHEAD AND BY MICROSOFT TEAMS
on THURSDAY, 20 JUNE 2024**

Present: Councillor John Armour (Chair)

Councillor Graham Hardie	Councillor Ross Moreland
Councillor Willie Hume	Councillor Gary Mulvaney
Councillor Andrew Kain	Councillor Alastair Redman
Councillor Jim Lynch	Councillor William Sinclair
Councillor Tommy MacPherson	Councillor Andrew Vennard
Councillor Ian James MacQuire	Councillor Peter Wallace
Councillor Luna Martin	

Also Present: Councillor Jan Brown Councillor Audrey Forrest

Attending: Kirsty Flanagan, Executive Director
Jim Smith, Head of Roads and Infrastructure Services
Matt Mulderrig, Development Policy Manager
Stuart Watson, Assistant Network and Standards Manager
Stuart McLean, Committee Manager

1.

There were no apologies for absence.

2.

There were no declarations of interest.

3.

The Minutes of the meeting of the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee held on 21 March 2024 were approved as a correct record.

4.

The Committee gave consideration to a report providing an update following the Housing Emergency Summit which was held in November 2023 following the declaration of a Housing Emergency by the Committee in June 2023.

Decision

5.

The Committee gave consideration to a report advising of the introduction of the Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill on 13 June 2024 which established the legislative framework to reuse and recycling rates and modernise and improve waste and recycling services.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee noted

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(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure dated May 2024, submitted)

7.

The Committee gave consideration to a report proposing a review of second bins be carried out in line with the Policy agreed in June 2016.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee

1. endorsed the second domestic bin review; and
2. noted the progress made regarding the publicity and the timeframe and that further updates would be provided as the review progressed.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated May 2024, submitted)

8.

The Committee gave consideration to a report providing an update on changes to the Roads Capital Reconstruction Programme for 2024/25.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee

1. endorsed the amended programme of capital works for 2024-25; and
- 2.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated May 2024, submitted)

15.

The Committee gave consideration to a report highlighting the launch of a Scottish Government Consultation on Flood Resilience Strategy which had a closing date of 13 August 2024.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee

1. noted the Flood Resilience Strategy consultation announced by the Scottish Government on 20th May 2024 with a closing date of 13th August 2024;
2. agreed that given the timescale for responding, that the formal response to the consultation from the Council be prepared with the final response being delegated to the Executive Director with responsibility for Road and Infrastructure Services in consultation with the Chair of the Environment Development and Infrastructure Committee (who is also the Policy Lead for Roads, Transport and Amenity Services), the Leader, Leader of the largest Opposition Group and the Policy Lead for Climate Change; and
3. Development and Infrastructure Committee at its meeting in September 2024.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated May 2024, submitted)

16.

The Committee gave consideration to a report providing information on the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA) consultation on Potentially Vulnerable Areas for Flood Risk Management.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee noted

1. the content of the submitted report; and
2. the recommendation that Members consider completing the consultation questionnaire on an individual basis before the closing date of 24 June 2024.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated June 2024, submitted)

17.

A report providing an update on the Audit and Scrutiny report regarding Fly Tipping was before the Committee for noting.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee noted

1. the detail in the Scrutiny Review; and
2. that further observations, conclusions and recommendations had been taken on board by the service and that work continued to reduce duplication.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated May 2024, submitted)

18.

A report providing an update on the street signage and litter bin replacement programme was before the Committee for noting.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee noted the content of the submitted report.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated May 2024, submitted)

19.

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee workplan was before the Committee for noting.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee noted the content of the workplan.

(Reference: Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee workplan dated June 2024, submitted)