

At a MEETING of the **DUNDEE, PERTH, ANGUS AND NORTH FIFE STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AUTHORITY JOINT COMMITTEE** held at Dundee on 6th October, 2015.

Present:-

Angus Council

Councillor Bob Myles
Councillor Rob Murray

Dundee City Council

Councillor Bill Campbell
Councillor Lesley Brennan (substitute for Tom Ferguson)

Fife Council

Councillor Donald Lothian
Councillor Lesley Laird

Perth and Kinross Council

Councillor John Kellas
Councillor Tom Gray
Councillor Alan Livingstone

Councillor Lesley Laird, Convener, in the Chair.

I DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declaration of interests.

II APOLOGIES

Apologies were intimated on behalf of Councillors Evans, Campbell, Thomson and Ferguson.

III MEMBERSHIP

It was reported that Councillor Brian Thomson (Fife Council) had indicated his resignation from the Joint Committee.

IV MINUTE OF MEETING OF 18TH FEBRUARY, 2015

The minute of the above meeting was submitted and approved.

V TAYPLAN PROPOSED STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN: CONSULTATION OVERVIEW

There was submitted Report No SDPA07-2015 by the Strategic Development Planning Authority Manager providing the Joint Committee with a general overview of the responses received to the consultation on the TAYplan Proposed Strategic Development Plan 2015 and the four public information events.

The Joint Committee agreed to note the overview of responses to the Proposed Strategic Development Plan 2015 consultation, Environmental Report, Action Programme and Equalities Impact Assessment.

VI TAYPLAN PLANNING PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK

There was submitted Report No SDPA08-2015 by the Strategic Development Planning Authority Manager providing feedback on TAYPlan's Planning Performance Framework for 2014/15.

The Joint Committee agreed to note the Planning Performance Framework appended to the report, which had been submitted to the Scottish Government.

VII TAYPLAN SDPA BUDGET UPDATE

There was submitted Report No SDPA09-2015 by the Strategic Development Planning Authority Manager providing an update on the Strategic Development Planning Authority's budget for the year ending 31st March, 2016.

The Joint Committee agreed to note the budget update as set out in Appendix One to the report.

Councillor Murray, expressing concern at the possible effect on the level of service of the budget reduction, intimated his dissent from this decision.

VIII RESPONSE TO EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S ANNUAL REPORT ON THE 2014/15 AUDIT

There was submitted Report No SDPA10-2015 by the Treasurer as a response to the report prepared by the Committee's External Auditor on the audit of TAYplan Joint Committee for the year ended 31st March, 2015, which enclosed a draft copy of the External Auditor's report and the Unsigned Committee's Audited Statement of Accounts.

The Joint Committee agreed to:-

- (a) endorse the report as the formal response to the External Auditor's report; and
- (b) note that the External Auditor's findings and conclusion were favourable.

IX CUSTOMER SURVEY FEEDBACK

There was submitted Report No SDPA11-2015 by the Strategic Development Planning Authority Manager summarising the feedback from the TAYplan Customer Experience Survey carried out during July and August 2015.

The Joint Committee agreed to note the contents of the report.

X TAYPLAN PROGRESS REPORT

There was submitted Report No SDPA12-2015 by the Strategic Development Planning Authority Manager updating the Joint Committee on the progress of the TAYplan's work, recent shortlisting for Scottish Award for Quality in Planning award within the Development Plans category, and recent Youth Camp event.

The Joint Committee noted the progress to date in implementing the Project Plan.

XI ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR FOR 2016

The Committee agreed to appoint Tom Gray, Perth & Kinross Council and Councillor Rob Murray, Angus Council, as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively, with effect from 1st January, 2016.

XII FUTURE MEETING DATES

It was noted that the meeting scheduled for 15th December, 2015 had been cancelled.

The meeting dates for 2016 would be as follows:-

Tuesday, 23rd February, 2016 at 10 am

Tuesday, 4th October, 2016 at 10 am

Venue would be TAYplan Offices, 3 Greenmarket, Dundee

Lesley LAIRD, Convener.