

Report

Report to: **Executive Committee**
Date of Meeting: **16 December 2020**
Report by: **Chief Executive**

Subject: **Recommendations Referred by Resource Committees**

1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ request approval of the following recommendation referred to this Committee by the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee of 4 November 2020

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the recommendation referred by the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee in relation to Council's Food Growing Strategy 2020 to 2025 and action plan for year 1 be approved.

3. Background

3.1. Food Growing Strategy 2020 to 2025— Extract of Minute

A report dated 21 October 2020 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on the Council's Food Growing Strategy 2020 to 2025 and year 1 action plan.

The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 brought new rights, duties and responsibilities regarding the provision of allotments and food growing opportunities. Part 9 of the Act, governing the provision of allotments and food growing, was enabled on 1 April 2018 and councils were given 2 years to publish a food growing strategy that would outline how they would work towards meeting the legislative obligations set out in the Act.

The Food Growing Strategy was attached as Appendix 1 to the report and covered the period from 2020 to 2025. It included the following sections:-

- ◆ introduction
- ◆ South Lanarkshire Council provision
- ◆ developing food growing in South Lanarkshire
- ◆ key objectives
- ◆ monitoring and review

The Strategy would be reviewed every 5 years, in accordance with Scottish Government legislation. The associated action plan, attached as Appendix 2 to the report, would be updated annually.

**The Committee
recommended to the
Executive Committee:**

that the Food Growing Strategy 2020 to 2025 and year 1 action plan be approved and the Strategy published to meet the legislative requirements of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

*Minutes of Community and Enterprise Resources Committee of 12 November 2019
(Paragraph 7)]*

4. Employee Implications

- 4.1. All employee implications were highlighted as part of the original reports to Resource Committees.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1. All financial implications were highlighted as part of the original reports to Resource Committees.

6 Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

- 6 There are no implications for climate change, sustainability or the environment in terms of the information contained in this report.

7 Other Implications

- 7.1. Any risks or sustainability issues or other implications were highlighted as part of the original reports to the Resource Committees.

8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 8.1. Equality impact assessment and consultation arrangements were highlighted as part of the original report to the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee.
- 8.2. There is no requirement to carry out an Equality Impact Assessment or consultation in terms of the proposals contained in this report.

**Cleland Sneddon
Chief Executive**

25 November 2020

Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

- ◆ Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent

Previous References

- ◆ Minutes of Climate Change and Sustainability Committee, 4 November 2020

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Report to Climate Change and Sustainability Committee

Contact for Further Information

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