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Report to:	Planning Committee
Date of Meeting:	29 May 2018
Report by:	Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources)

Subject:	South Lanarkshire Local Development Plan 2 – Receiving Views from Representatives
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ Inform the Committee of a request from Stonehouse Community Council for their representatives to present their views on specified aspects of the South Lanarkshire Local Development Plan 2 which is subject of a separate report (agenda item 4).
- ◆ Set out the relevant parts of the Standing Order that deals with such requests.

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1 The Committee is asked to:-

- (1) consider the request from Stonehouse Community Council in terms of Standing Order No 26 and decide whether to allow the representatives of the Community Council to be heard.

3. Background

3.1 A report on the proposed South Lanarkshire Local Development Plan 2 (SLLDP2) and Supporting Planning Guidance on Renewable Energy is the subject of a separate item on the agenda (agenda item 4). The purpose of SLLDP2 is to guide future land use within the Council area. Among other matters, it identifies sites for potential release for future development. In reaching the position in the Proposed Plan, an extensive consultation exercise was carried out involving stakeholders, interest groups and local communities through the respective Community Councils. It should also be noted that, if Committee approves the Proposed Plan, a further public consultation period of a minimum of 8 weeks would be carried out to allow comments to be made in relation to both sites that have been included in the Proposed Plan and those that have been omitted.

3.2 A request has been received from Stonehouse Community Council for their representatives to present their views on specified aspects of the South Lanarkshire Local Development Plan 2 to Committee. The request is attached as an appendix to this report and the matters they wish to speak on are as follows

- Land at North of the village of Stonehouse
- Existing planning applications
- Impact on environs of Stonehouse

3.3 In considering such requests, Standing Order 26 - Receiving Views from Representatives is relevant. It states

- a) We or any committee or sub-committee will hear the views of representatives from organisations or groups we can deal with.
- b) Anyone who wants to present their view must apply in writing and it must be signed by a representative of the organisation or group. This application must include details of the matter to be discussed. The representatives must deliver the application to the Chief Executive at least 10 clear days before the date of the meeting. Notice about the application will be put on the agenda for the meeting. It will then be up to the meeting to decide whether to hear the representatives.
- c) Unless we agree otherwise, there cannot be more than 3 representatives from any organisation or group.
- d) When we hear representatives from an organisation or group, we can ask them questions. Our members must not give an opinion or discuss the business until the representatives have finished talking about their case. The representatives only have to leave the meeting if the matter is confidential or exempt in terms of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985.

3.4 In this case, the application from Stonehouse Community Council to present their views has been made within the specified timescale. It is, therefore, for members of the Committee to decide whether to hear the representatives of the Community Council. It should be noted that, if it is agreed that the representatives will be heard, the matters they speak on should be limited to those relating solely to the proposed SLLDP2.

4. Employee Implications

4.1 None

5. Financial Implications

5.1 None

6. Other Implications

6.1 There are no implications for risk or sustainability in terms of the information contained in this report.

7. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

7.1 Not relevant

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Link(s) to Council Values/Objectives/Ambitions

- ◆ Supporting the local economy by providing the right conditions for inclusive growth.
- ◆ Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities.
- ◆ Improve the road network, influence improvements in public transport and encourage active travel.
- ◆ Improve the availability, quality and access of housing

Contact for Further Information

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