

SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

Minutes of special meeting held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 20 February 2019

Chair:

Provost Ian McAllan

Councillors Present:

Councillor Alex Allison, Councillor John Anderson, Councillor John Bradley, Councillor Walter Brogan, Councillor Robert Brown, Councillor Archie Buchanan, Councillor Jackie Burns, Councillor Janine Calikes, Councillor Stephanie Callaghan, Councillor Graeme Campbell, Councillor Andy Carmichael, Councillor Maureen Chalmers, Councillor Gerry Convery, Councillor Poppy Corbett, Councillor Margaret Cowie, Councillor Peter Craig, Councillor Maureen Devlin, Councillor Mary Donnelly, Councillor Isobel Dorman, Councillor Fiona Dryburgh, Councillor Joe Fagan, Councillor Allan Falconer, Councillor Alistair Fulton, Councillor Geri Gray, Councillor George Greenshields, Councillor Lynsey Hamilton, Councillor Ian Harrow, Councillor Eric Holford, Councillor Graeme Horne, Councillor Mark Horsham, Councillor Martin Grant Hose, Councillor Ann Le Blond, Councillor Martin Lennon, Councillor Richard Lockhart, Councillor Eileen Logan, Councillor Katy Loudon, Councillor Joe Lowe, Councillor Hugh Macdonald, Councillor Catherine McClymont, Councillor Kenny McCreary, Councillor Colin McGavigan, Councillor Mark McGeever, Councillor Jim McGuigan, Councillor Davie McLachlan, Councillor Lynne Nailon, Councillor Carol Nugent, Councillor Mo Razzaq, Councillor John Ross, Councillor Graham Scott, Councillor Collette Stevenson (Depute), Councillor Bert Thomson, Councillor Margaret B Walker, Councillor Jared Wark, Councillor David Watson, Councillor Josh Wilson

Councillors' Apologies:

Councillor Margaret Cooper, Councillor Julia Marrs, Councillor Monique McAdams, Councillor Gladys Miller, Councillor Richard Nelson, Councillor David Shearer, Councillor Jim Wardhaugh, Councillor Sheena Wardhaugh

Attending:

Chief Executive's Service

L Freeland, Chief Executive

Community and Enterprise Resources

M McGlynn, Executive Director

Finance and Corporate Resources

P Manning, Executive Director; G Bow, Administration Manager; G McCann, Head of Administration and Legal Services; S Somerville, Administration Manager

Housing and Technical Resources

D Lowe, Executive Director

Social Work Resources/Health and Social Care

V de Souza, Director

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Recommendations Referred by Executive Committee – Housing Revenue and Capital Account Budget 2019/2020

A report dated 13 February 2019 by the Chief Executive was submitted on recommendations referred to the Council by the Executive Committee of 13 February 2019. The recommendations were as follows:-

- ◆ **Housing Revenue and Capital Account Budget 2019/2020**
 - ◆ that the Revenue Estimate proposals for the Housing Revenue Account Budget 2019/2020 be approved;
 - ◆ that the rent increase of 3.95% for Council houses, travelling persons' sites, lockups and garage sites be approved;
 - ◆ that the proposal to progress the next stage of rent harmonisation be approved; and
 - ◆ that, based on the proposed rent increase of 3.95% and taking account of the recommendation from the special Housing and Technical Resources Committee of 6 February 2019, the updated 2019/2020 Housing Capital Programme, totalling £61.945 million, be approved.

Councillor Allison stated that, while he accepted the recommendations, he did not fully concur with rent harmonisation as properties differed in age and condition and the additional revenue did not contribute significantly to the Housing Capital Programme.

The Council decided: that the recommendations of the Executive Committee of 13 February 2019 in relation to the Housing Revenue and Capital Account Budget 2019/2020 be approved.

[Reference: Minutes of the Executive Committee of 13 February 2019 (Paragraph 10)]

3 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.