

COMMUNITY AND ENTERPRISE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held via Microsoft Teams on 7 December 2021

Chair:

Councillor John Anderson

Councillors Present:

Councillor John Bradley, Councillor Graeme Campbell, Councillor Maureen Chalmers, Councillor Gerry Convery, Councillor Mary Donnelly (*substitute for Councillor Peter Craig*), Councillor Isobel Dorman (Depute), Councillor Joe Fagan, Councillor Grant Ferguson, Councillor Graeme Horne, Councillor Martin Grant Hose, Councillor Hugh Macdonald, Councillor Monique McAdams, Councillor Ian McAllan, Councillor Catherine McClymont, Councillor Kenny McCreary, Councillor Mark McGeever, Councillor Davie McLachlan, Councillor Lynne Nailon, Councillor Graham Scott, Councillor Margaret B Walker, Councillor David Watson, Councillor Josh Wilson

Councillors' Apologies:

Councillor Margaret Cooper, Councillor Peter Craig, Councillor Ann Le Blond, Councillor John Ross (*ex-officio*)

Councillors Also Attending:

Councillor Jackie Burns, Councillor Allan Falconer

Attending:

Community and Enterprise Resources

M McGlynn, Executive Director; P Elliott, Head of Planning and Economic Development; A McKinnon, Head of Facilities, Waste and Ground Services; C Park, Head of Roads and Transportation Services

Finance and Corporate Resources

N Docherty, Administration Assistant; L Harvey, Finance Manager; E Maxwell, Human Resources Business Partner; E-A McGonigle, Administration Officer; L O'Hagan, Finance Manager (Strategy); S Terry, Web Journalist; M M Wilson, Legal Services Manager

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Community and Enterprise Resources Committee held on 28 September 2021 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

The Committee decided: that the minutes be approved as a correct record.

3 Community and Enterprise Resources - Revenue Budget Monitoring 2021/2022

A joint report dated 2 November 2021 by the Executive Directors (Finance and Corporate Resources) and (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted comparing actual expenditure at 8 October 2021 against budgeted expenditure for 2021/2022 for Community and Enterprise Resources.

At 8 October 2021, there was an overspend of £2.468 million against the phased budget. The reported overspend related primarily to costs as a result of COVID-19. This position did not reflect any impact for South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture (SLLC) as at 8 October 2021.

Details were also provided on proposed budget virements in respect of Community and Enterprise Resources to realign budgets.

The Committee decided:

- (1) that the overspend on the Community and Enterprise Resources' revenue budget of £2.468 million as at 8 October 2021, as detailed in Appendix A of the report, be noted; and
- (2) that the budget virements, as detailed in appendices B to G of the report, be approved.

[Reference: Minutes of 28 September 2021 (Paragraph 4)]

4 Community and Enterprise Resources - Capital Budget Monitoring 2021/2022

A joint report dated 17 November 2021 by the Executive Directors (Finance and Corporate Resources) and (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted advising of progress on the Community and Enterprise Resources' capital programme 2021/2022 and summarising the expenditure position at 8 October 2021.

Following changes to the capital programme agreed by the Executive Committee at its meetings on 3 November and 1 December 2021, the revised capital programme for 2021/2022 amounted to £44.115 million and, at 8 October 2021, expenditure was £16.586 million.

The Committee decided: that the Community and Enterprise Resources' capital programme of £44.115 million, and expenditure to date of £16.586 million, be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of 28 September 2021 (Paragraph 6) and Minutes of the Executive Committee of 3 November 2021 (Paragraph 4) and 1 December 2021 (Paragraph 4)]

Councillor Donnelly joined the meeting during this item of business

5 Community and Enterprise Resources - Workforce Monitoring – August and September 2021

A joint report dated 7 September 2021 by the Executive Directors (Finance and Corporate Resources) and (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on the following employee information for Community and Enterprise Resources for the period August and September 2021:-

- ◆ attendance statistics
- ◆ occupational health statistics
- ◆ accident/incident statistics
- ◆ disciplinary hearings, grievances and Dignity at Work cases
- ◆ analysis of leavers and exit interviews
- ◆ staffing watch as at 11 September 2021

The Committee decided: that the report be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of 28 September 2021 (Paragraph 5)]

6 Blantyre Town Centre Strategy and Action Plan – Consultative Draft

A report dated 17 November 2021 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on the Blantyre Town Centre Strategy and Action Plan.

Supporting town centres was a Council priority and the Council worked closely with appropriate groups and organisations through a partnership approach to achieve common goals. In developing the Blantyre Town Centre Strategy, a key partner was the Blantyre Business Community and the Strategy focused on town centre regeneration.

The consultative draft Blantyre Town Centre Strategy and Action Plan, attached as Appendix 1 to the report, set out a range of initiatives which the Council aimed to pursue with partners to support the vitality and viability of the centre. The Strategy was informed by Scottish Towns Partnerships 'Your Town Audit' which was attached as Appendix 2 to the report.

If approved, the Consultative Draft Strategy would be published and made available for wider consultation from January to March 2022, details of which were provided in the report. Following consideration of the comments received as a result of the consultation process, the finalised Strategy would be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee for approval.

The Committee decided:

- (1) that the consultative draft Blantyre Town Centre Strategy and Action Plan, and a period of consultation, as detailed in section 5 of the report, be approved; and
- (2) that it be noted that the finalised Strategy would be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee for approval and adoption.

7 Place Based Investment Programme (PBIP) and Town Centre Capital Fund - Update

A joint report dated 8 November 2021 by the Executive Directors (Community and Enterprise Resources) and (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted:-

- ♦ providing information on the Place Based Investment Programme (PBIP) for 2021/2022
- ♦ seeking approval to proceed with the year 2 application process for PBIP, subject to confirmation of the expected allocation from the Scottish Government

In February 2021, the Scottish Government had announced, in its Programme for Government, that a PBIP would be implemented over the 5-year period of the next parliament. The funding was targeted at addressing some of the challenges faced by Scotland's places across the country. The Council had been awarded £2.003 million for the financial year 2021/2022 and this had been allocated across 11 projects with project development funding, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.

Approximately £1.4 million would be funded in financial year 2022/2023 and £1.2 million in each of the remaining 3 years of the programme. Total funding over the 5-year period would amount to approximately £7.003 million. The confirmation of a 5-year programme allowed a more structured approach to the allocation and delivery of projects when compared to previous annual allocations for town centre funding.

The objectives of the fund were linked to the improvement of places rather than being solely focused on town centres. Consequently, the allocation of the fund could cover all towns, villages and settlements in South Lanarkshire. Constraints around spending required year 2 funding of approximately £1.4 million to be spent and/or fully committed by 31 March 2023, with future years following a similar structure.

As agreed at the meeting of the Community and Enterprise Resources Committee held on 29 June 2021, a process of direct allocation of funding projects had been used in the first year and it was proposed that a bidding process would be used for the allocation of funding in future years, commencing in the financial year 2022/2023. Due to the local government elections in May 2022, the Committee would not meet until summer 2022 and approval was sought for the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) to be given delegated authority to award funding in line with the previously accepted criteria.

A comprehensive update on the current status of projects funded in year one from the following funding streams was provided in Appendix 1 to the report:-

- ◆ Place Based Investment Programme
- ◆ Town Centre Capital Fund
- ◆ Regeneration Capital Grant Fund

It was proposed that a bidding process, mirroring the process used for the Town Centre funding over 2019 and 2020, would be used for future years of the PBIP, commencing in financial year 2022/2023.

A report would be brought to the first Committee meeting following the local government elections providing an update on applications, assessments and awards of funding.

Officers responded to members' questions in relation to the following:-

- ◆ further details on the progress of some of the projects, including the East Kilbride Shared Workspace, the East Kilbride Civic Masterplan, Forth Business and Outdoor Development, Near to Home Working and East Kilbride Zone
- ◆ the delegated authority approval process and assurance that members would be kept fully informed at all stages in the process
- ◆ the future of the East Kilbride taskforce and the Council's role in it

The Committee decided:

- (1) that the update on projects approved by the Committee at its meeting on 29 June 2021 be noted; and
- (2) that the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) be authorised to proceed with the allocation of funding for the year 2 PBIP application process, as set out in section 5 of the report.

[Reference: Minutes of 29 June 2021 (Paragraph 9)]

8 South Lanarkshire Gift Card

A report dated 8 November 2021 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted:-

- ◆ informing members of the South Lanarkshire gift card proposal from Scotland's Towns Partnership
- ◆ seeking approval to progress the promotion of the gift card for year one

Along with other local authorities in Scotland, South Lanarkshire Council had been asked by the Scottish Government, through Scotland's Towns Partnership (STP), to support a Scotland Loves Local Gift Card scheme designed to encourage local shopping, drive footfall to local businesses and keep spend in the local area for longer. The scheme would be administered by Miconex and the Council would have no role in the functionality and e-commerce aspects of the gift card.

The administration of the initiative would be fully funded by the Scottish Government for the first year (September 2021 to August 2022). There would be 5,000 gift cards available for each local authority for the first year, should agreement be made to sign up to the scheme via a concordat. Through this concordat, the local authority would be agreeing to:-

- ◆ promote the Scotland Loves Local Gift Card scheme
- ◆ have a local launch and promotion of the gift card to businesses in South Lanarkshire
- ◆ provide content for a “landing page” specific to South Lanarkshire

The gift cards used the existing MasterCard network and could, therefore, only be accepted by small independent businesses and national retailers who used this network. STP had advised that the only cost to the Council in the first year would be officer time. Whilst there were synergies with the work of Economic Development, it was anticipated that the amount of officer time could be extensive. Recommendations on whether to continue beyond year one would require to consider both the wider economic benefits and value for money to the Council and would be reported to a future meeting of the Committee.

Officers responded to a member’s question in relation to marketing and promotional costs of the initiative. In respect of a further question on the underwriting of the scheme, officers undertook to investigate this matter and circulate the requested information to members of the Committee.

The Committee decided: that the Council sign a concordat with Scotland’s Towns Partnership to promote Scotland Loves Local Gift Card scheme and related actions, as detailed in section 5 of the report.

9 Building Standards Service – Additional Officers

A joint report dated 12 November 2021 by the Executive Directors (Finance and Corporate Resources) and (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on a proposed increase to the Resource’s staffing establishment within the Planning and Economic Development Service by the addition of:-

- ◆ 4 Building Standards Officers for an initial fixed term of 23 months, with consideration of a further period based on workload and fees thereafter
- ◆ a Building Standards Modern Apprentice for a 24 month period

The Council’s statutory role as Building Standards Authority for its area was undertaken by the Building Standards Service, within the Planning and Economic Development Service. The Building Standards Service was responsible for:-

- ◆ ensuring development was carried out in accordance with Building Regulations and associated Technical Standards
- ◆ statutory enforcement involving the inspection of dangerous buildings and structures and seeking remedies for unauthorised or defective work
- ◆ a range of important, non-core business activities, all linked to public safety
- ◆ supporting the Council in delivering commitments outlined in the Resource Plan
- ◆ the current and future role in addressing effects of climate change by ensuring compliance with energy standards

In March 2017, the Council was re-appointed by Scottish Ministers as verifier for the Council area for the maximum period available of 6 years. The verification role involved the timeous and efficient processing of building warrant applications along with inspection of works on site to ensure development was being carried out in compliance with the building warrant and technical standards. The next verification appointment would begin from 1 May 2023, and leading up to this, consideration of appointment would commence in early 2022 as Scottish Ministers reviewed performance to select which authorities would be appointed, and for what duration.

Based on current staffing and resource levels, there was a potential risk to the verification re-appointment, in terms of ability to improve performance and challenges faced in discharging the statutory enforcement and public safety duties.

To deliver on the objectives of the Building Standards Service, it was proposed that the following posts be added to the current Service, as detailed in section 9 of the report:-

- ◆ 3 posts of Building Standards Surveyor on Grade 3, Level 2 to 4, SCP 63-74 (£32,994 to £38,779) on an initial 23-month fixed term contract
- ◆ 1 post of Building Standards Inspector on Grade 2, Level 3, SCP 46-48 (£25,639 to £26,424) on an initial 23-month fixed term contract
- ◆ 1 post of Building Standards Modern Apprentice on Grade 1, Level 1 to 3, SCP 20-27 (£17,519 to £19,416) for a 24-month period

The costs associated with the establishment of the above posts would be met from existing budget, including turnover, Planning and Economic Development reserve balances and over recovery of fee income within the Service over the next 2 years.

In response to a member's question on discretionary charging for services such as pre-application discussions, the Head of Planning and Economic Development advised that this would be considered as part of the Scottish Government consultation on the Draft National Planning Framework (NPF4) and that a report on the consultation would be submitted to a future meeting of the Planning Committee.

The Committee decided:

- (1) that the contents of the report be noted; and
- (2) that the establishment of the Planning and Economic Development Service be increased by the addition of:-
 - ◆ 3 posts of Building Standards Surveyor on Grade 3, Level 2 to 4, SCP 63-74 (£32,994 to £38,779) on an initial 23-month fixed term contract
 - ◆ 1 post of Building Standards Inspector on Grade 2, Level 3, SCP 46-48 (£25,639 to £26,424) on an initial 23-month fixed term contract
 - ◆ 1 post of Building Standards Modern Apprentice on Grade 1, Level 1 to 3, SCP 20-27 (£17,519 to £19,416) for a 24-month period

Due to technical issues, Councillor Dorman took the chair for this item only

10 Workforce Planning and Recruitment in Planning and Building Standards Services

A joint report dated 17 November 2021 by the Executive Directors (Finance and Corporate Resources) and (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on a proposal to extend, by 11 months, the 12 month fixed term contracts of 3 full time equivalent (FTE) Graduate Planning Officer posts within the Planning and Economic Development Service.

The Council's statutory role as Planning Authority for its area was undertaken by the Planning Service which sat within the Planning and Economic Development Service. The Planning Service was responsible for the preparation of the Local Development Plan and associated supporting guidance, the processing of planning applications and the enforcement and monitoring function. The Planning Service was also responsible for delivering a front-line statutory function.

To meet the demands of allocation of workload, progressing policy matters and new statutory duties, it was proposed that 3 temporary posts of Graduate Planning Officer on Grade 2, Level 2 to 4, SCP 63-74 (£23,140 to £30,147), be extended for an additional 11 months (23 months in total).

The costs associated with extending the above posts would be met from existing budgets.

The Committee decided: that 3 FTE Graduate Planning Officer posts, established on a temporary basis for a 12 month period on Grade 2, Level 2 to 4 (£23,140 to £30,147) within the Planning and Economic Development Service, be extended for a further period of 11 months, as detailed in section 6 of the report.

11 Community Benefit Funds – Renewable Energy Fund – Grant Applications

A report dated 9 November 2021 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on 2 applications to the various Community Benefit Funds. The Community Benefit Funds had been established to provide funding to suitable projects providing community benefit in eligible areas.

It was proposed that, subject to the applicants providing written confirmation that all other additional funding for the projects had been secured, a grant be awarded of up to a maximum of:-

- ◆ £102,535.95 towards eligible costs associated with the refurbishment of Roberton Village Hall from the Andershaw Windfarm Renewable Energy Fund
- ◆ £41,394.85 towards eligible costs associated with the asset purchase of Glassford Village Hall and initial running costs from the Dungavel Windfarm Renewable Energy Fund

The Committee decided: that, subject to the applicants providing written confirmation that all other additional funding for the projects had been secured, a grant be awarded of up to a maximum of:-

- ◆ £102,535.95 towards eligible costs associated with the refurbishment of Roberton Village Hall to Roberton Social Group from the Andershaw Windfarm Renewable Energy Fund
- ◆ £41,394.85 towards eligible costs associated with the asset purchase of Glassford Village Hall and initial running costs to Glassford Community Group from the Dungavel Windfarm Renewable Energy Fund

[Reference: Minutes of 28 September 2021 (Paragraph 10)]

In terms of Standing Order No 13, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 3.00pm for a 10-minute period. The meeting recommenced at 3.10pm.

12 Roads Asset Management Plan – 2021 Update

A report dated 17 November 2021 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on the Roads Asset Management Plan (RAMP) 2021.

The principles of asset management had been developed, at both a national and local level, to provide a basis for associated investment decisions and to ensure that a sound understanding of investment needs was available.

The main purpose of developing the RAMP was to ensure:-

- ◆ a knowledge of the extent and condition of main asset groups
- ◆ an understanding of where gaps existed to allow consideration of how those might be addressed
- ◆ an understanding of the level of current investment on each asset group and the associated condition trend

Details were given on:-

- ◆ the Council's main roads asset groups
- ◆ the overall condition of the infrastructure
- ◆ issues for consideration in relation to roads and related infrastructure

Officers responded to members' questions on various aspects of the report.

The Committee decided: that the report be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of 16 June 2020 (Paragraph 8)]

Councillor Campbell left the meeting during this item of business. Councillor Macdonald left the meeting during this item of business due to technical issues

13 East Kilbride Rail Enhancement Project Update

A report dated 11 November 2021 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted providing an update on the East Kilbride Rail Enhancement Project.

The Scottish Government had recognised the need to improve the East Kilbride to Glasgow rail service and had confirmed funding of £24.8 million to allow Network Rail to progress the development work required. The Council and Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) worked in close partnership with Transport Scotland and Network Rail to support investment into infrastructure, service improvements, complementary improvements and embed such projects or priorities within regional, local or mode specific strategies.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee on 3 November 2021, members had requested that an update on the East Kilbride Rail Enhancement Project be provided at the meeting of the Community and Enterprise Resources Committee to be held on 7 December 2021.

A report presented to, and approved by, this Committee on 4 February 2020 detailed a range of options that were to be developed to improve train capacity and frequency and included electrification and zero emissions self-powered fleets, track dualling, extended station platforms and longer trains. The early development work had also recognised existing parking pressures at both East Kilbride and Hairmyres stations. Feasibility work progressed by Network Rail had identified relocating the existing Hairmyres station westward as the preferred option. The relocated station provided the opportunity to introduce complementary infrastructure in the form of:-

- ◆ an enhanced bus/rail interchange
- ◆ improved active travel facilities and linkages to the cycle network
- ◆ electric vehicle (EV) charging hub
- ◆ significant park and ride provision

Network Rail had secured the final piece of land to allow development of the enhanced bus/rail interchange, EV charging hub and park and ride facility in March 2021. Up until September 2021, officers had continued to engage with Transport Scotland, Network Rail and SPT in terms of progressing the detailed design of the project and complementary measures. Recent discussions had focused on how the land acquired by Network Rail would be made available to the Council to deliver on the complementary measures.

Public transport demands had reduced dramatically during the COVID-19 pandemic and, to date, remained significantly lower than the original predictions that had shaped the development of the original project proposals. Although good progress had been made during the pandemic, the project had still to be approved by Transport Scotland through internal project approval and governance processes. Neither SPT nor Council officers were party to this approval process.

A press release issued on 8 October 2021 confirmed that the East Kilbride corridor had been given approval for single track electrification and that further development work would be required to support this. The relocated and upgraded stations, as well as the wider complementary infrastructure, remained part of the project proposals. A summary of the rationale for the decisions made by Transport Scotland was provided in the report. The report also provided an update on project agreements and whilst discussions had continued during the pandemic, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between partners had not yet been concluded.

The recently announced changes to the project had been raised directly with Transport Scotland by the Leader of the Council. Specifically, Transport Scotland had been asked to further consider the scope of the project and provide reassurance that the final scheme would fulfil the needs of commuters in South Lanarkshire and the Council's own climate change ambitions.

Network Rail and Transport Scotland continued to develop and refine the project and this was expected to lead to revised timescales for the delivery of the project. A further report would be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee once this information was known.

There followed a full discussion on various aspects of the report during which officers:-

- ◆ responded to members' questions
- ◆ undertook to:-
 - ◆ contact the Council Leader to request that members had sight of the content of the letter sent to Transport Scotland on behalf of the Council in relation to the recently announced changes to the project
 - ◆ ask Transport Scotland to provide members with a copy of the geotechnical report that would shed light on the stated constraining earthworks in the area
 - ◆ share the forecasting information that the Scottish Demand Forecasting Group (SDFG) had produced for the Scottish Government, once received

- ♦ include Thorntonhall in future discussions with partners in relation to frequency of the train service
- ♦ advised that Network Rail and Transport Scotland would be hosting a workshop in the new year in relation to the project

The Committee decided: that the report be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of 4 February 2020 (Paragraph 6) and Minutes of the Executive Committee of 3 November 2021 (Paragraph 6)]

Councillor McLachlan left the meeting during this item of business

14 Crossford Traffic Calming Request

A report dated 9 November 2021 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted providing an update on action taken in relation to a request for traffic calming in Crossford which had been considered by the Petitions Committee at its meeting held on 25 August 2021.

The Petitions Committee had agreed that an update report be submitted to the Community and Enterprise Resources Committee at its meeting to be held on 7 December 2021. Comments from the Lead Petitioner and from Roads and Transportation Services were highlighted in the report. Progress against actions were detailed as follows:-

- ♦ discussions had taken place with Police Scotland and speed enforcement had been undertaken throughout September 2021. Commensurate with other duties, speed enforcement action had continued
- ♦ officers from Roads and Transportation Services had liaised with the Head Teacher of Underbank primary school and the Parent Council and, following consultation with staff, parents/guardians and pupils, a draft Travel Plan had been produced. The document was being finalised prior to circulation to the school community
- ♦ actions identified in the finalised School Travel Plan would be assessed and progressed as appropriate
- ♦ a traffic speed and volume survey had been programmed to be undertaken on the A72 Lanark Road, Crossford with results expected by the end of the calendar year
- ♦ the Lead Petitioner was emailed on 27 October 2021 to advise of the actions undertaken. He had responded to advise that he had not been aware of any Police Scotland enforcement activity in September 2021 and also advised that one of the electronic speed indicator signs remained inoperative. A replacement sign had been ordered and would be erected in the new year

The Committee decided: that the report be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of the Petitions Committee of 25 August 2021 (Paragraph 3)]

15 Resident Only Parking – McNeil Street Larkhall

A report dated 9 November 2021 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted providing background in relation to a request for a resident only parking area on McNeil Street, Larkhall which had been considered by the Petitions Committee at its meeting held on 25 October 2021.

Comments from the Lead Petitioner and from Roads and Transportation Services were highlighted in the report. The Petitions Committee had agreed that the request for resident only parking in McNeil Street, Larkhall, and the issues raised, merited further action and should be referred to this Committee.

A report summarising the work undertaken by the Roads Safety Forum in relation to the review of the current Residents' Parking Permit Zones (RPPZs) Policy was considered at the meeting of Community and Enterprise Resources Committee held on 31 March 2020. RPPZs were considered to be an effective demand management approach to assist in minimising the impact on residents in areas of competing parking demand.

A charge for parking permits had been introduced earlier this year, however, following submission of a motion relating to Parking Permit Charges at the Council meeting of 22 September 2021, it was agreed that consultation with residents living in current RPPZ areas would be undertaken. Results of the consultation were being collated and would be considered by the 4 Area Committees prior to being reported to either the Executive Committee or full Council. In the meantime, charging for permits had been suspended.

The introduction of any traffic management proposal or restrictions, such as a RPPZ, would require assessment to ensure that issues were not just moved to another area, as other restrictions could be requested or required. As a result, and in view of the ongoing consultation in relation to RPPZs, it was proposed that McNeil Street be added to the list of potential RPPZ areas outlined at paragraph 3.5 of the report and that those areas be programmed for further assessment. It was anticipated that the assessments would be undertaken over a 6 month period commencing in early 2022. A degree of priority would be given to areas that were experiencing parking pressures, such as McNeil Street.

The Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) and the Head of Roads and Transportation Services were responsible for decisions on traffic restrictions and management on the road network, by way of promoting Traffic Regulation Orders and if an RPPZ was to proceed, it would be promoted under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Consultation with the community would be a fundamental element of the process. Members of the Petitions Committee and the Lead Petitioner would be kept informed of progress.

The Committee decided: that the report be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of the Community and Enterprise Resources Committee of 31 March 2020 (Paragraph 8), Minutes of the South Lanarkshire Council of 22 September 2021 (Paragraph 7) and Minutes of the Petitions Committee of 25 October 2021 (Paragraph 3)]

16 Community and Enterprise Resources – Notification of Contracts Awarded – 1 April to 30 September 2021

A report dated 11 November 2021 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on contracts awarded by Community and Enterprise Resources in the period 1 April to 30 September 2021.

In terms of Standing Order Nos 21.8 and 22.5 of the Standing Orders on Contracts, Resources were required to notify the relevant Committee of contracts awarded. Details of the contracts awarded by Community and Enterprise Resources were provided in the appendix to the report.

The Committee decided: that the report be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of 29 June 2021 (Paragraph 13)]

17 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

Chair's Closing Remarks

The Chair advised that this would be the last meeting that M McGlynn, Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources), would be attending prior to his forthcoming retirement. The Chair, on behalf of the members of the Committee, thanked Mr McGlynn for his exemplary work and advice to the Committee over the years and wished him well on his retirement. Mr McGlynn responded in suitable terms.