MINUTES of MEETING of POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD on THURSDAY, 12 MAY 2016

Present: Councillor Dick Walsh (Chair)

Councillor Rory Colville
Councillor Robin Currie
Councillor Mary-Jean Devon
Councillor Roderick McCuish
Councillor Aileen Morton

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flooding capital grant (£0.113M) and additional monies in relation to the Children and Young People Act (£0.542M), a total increase of £0.655M.

Decision

The Committee –

- 1. Noted the decrease in revenue funding due to an error in the floor calculation by Scottish Government and noted that SMT would take steps to eliminate the variance which would be reported through routine budget monitoring.
- Noted the increase in capital funding and the requirement to use some of the funding to meet the increased costs for the replacement of Dunclutha Children's House as agreed at Council on 21 April 2016.
- 3. Agreed that for the remainder of the capital funding, that the Asset Management Board bring forward proposals in due course for Member approval.

(Reference: Report by Head of Strategic Finance dated 26 April 2016, submitted)

6. REGENERATION INITIATIVES

(b) Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund
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(d) Inward Investment Fund

The Committee considered a report outlining broad criteria of a £1M Inward Investment Fund covering the area of Argyll and Bute. It was intended that the fund would be to promote the growth of the Argyll and Bute economy through attracting significant inward investment to the region that has the potential for a transformational impact.

Decision

The Committee approved the implementation of the Inward Investment Fund and its associated criteria and governance arrangements, intended to promote the growth of the economy in Argyll and Bute.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director – Development and Infrastructure Services dated 21 March 2016, submitted)

7. WIND TURBINE AT GLENGORM LANDFILL SITE

The Committee considered a report providing them with an update on progress made following the delegation given by Council, on 21 January 2016, to the Executive Director – Customer Services, in consultation with the Leader, Depute Leader and Leader of the main Opposition Group, to accept tenders in respect of the installation of a wind turbine at Glengorm Landfill Site on Mull.

Decision

The Committee noted the position in terms of the delegation granted by Council on 21 January 2016.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director – Customer Services dated 4 May 2016, submitted)

8. ENHANCED EMPLOYABILITY PIPELINE STRATEGIC INTERVENTION - EUROPEAN SOCIAL FUND

The Committee considered a recommendation from the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee held on 7 April 2016 in respect of the proposed Enhanced Employability Pipeline Strategic Intervention application to the European Social Fund 2014 to 2020.

Decision

The Committee noted that no further feedback was available at the current time and therefore no report was presented in relation to the recommendation that a report be provided to this meeting updating Members on a stage 2 application and setting out any match funding requirements.

(Reference: Recommendation by Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee held on 7 April 2016 and report by Executive Director – Development and Infrastructure Services dated April 2016, submitted)