



## Minute of Meeting Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board

Date	Time	Venue
Monday, 23 May 2016	10:00	CMR3, Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

### PRESENT

Councillors E Devine and Audrey Doig; O Reid, C Thorpe, L Feely and S Marklow (all Renfrewshire Council); I Cunningham, Engage Renfrewshire; A Fraser, FLAIR Representative; J Wilby, Forum for Empowering Communities; R Nimmo, Glasgow Airport; J Divers, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; and C Roxburgh, West of Scotland University.

### CHAIR

Councillor E Devine, Chair, presided.

### IN ATTENDANCE

M Blake, K Simpson and K Stewart (all Sweco); Y Farquhar, S Graham, J Brown and C MacDonald (all Renfrewshire Council); A Ritchie and M McLaughlin (both West College Scotland).

### APOLOGIES

J Lynch, Renfrewshire Council; J Still, Renfrewshire Health & Social Care Partnership; and J Binning, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport.

### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

## **1 MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board held on 23 May 2016.

**DECIDED:** That the Minute be noted.

## **2 ROLLING ACTION LOG**

The Rolling Action Log was submitted for approval.

**DECIDED:** That the Rolling Action Log be approved.

## **3 CITY DEAL SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE**

A presentation was given by the Technical Director, Sweco updating members on City Deal sustainability.

The presentation gave a brief overview of the City Deal development; outlined the sustainable goals, opportunities and objectives; highlighted the carbon management infrastructure and the benefits of tackling carbon emissions; and summarised the City Deal stages and progress made to date.

After further discussion it was agreed that an update report would be submitted to the Board to be held on 8 November, 2016.

**DECIDED:**

- (a) That it be agreed that an update report would be submitted to the Board to be held on 8 November, 2016; and
- (b) That the presentation be noted.

## **4 LIVING STREETS – STREET AUDIT FOR MOSS STREET, PAISLEY TO RENFREWSHIRE HOUSE, COTTON STREET, PAISLEY**

With reference to the Minute of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board held on 3 June 2015 relative to Item 7 – Streets for All – Improving Accessibility of Streets, Pavement and Public Spaces in Renfrewshire, there was submitted a report by the Chair of the Renfrewshire Access Panel which provided details of the audit which had been carried out from Moss Street to Cotton Street, Paisley.

The Living Streets Access Audit assessed the accessibility of the environment, its facilities and any services delivered from it, from the perspective of people with disabilities. It focused on accessibility issues that required to be addressed from the perspective of disabled people, rather than providing an assessment of positive features of the built environment. The Living Streets Access Audit provided a starting point for collaborative discussion about practical and sustainable improvements that could be made over a negotiated period of time to increase the accessibility of the built environment for all users.

**DECIDED:**

- (a) That the positive work done by the Access Panel to identify accessibility issues along a key route in Paisley Town Centre and the support of students from University of the West of Scotland be noted; and
- (b) That it be agreed that appropriate officers of Renfrewshire Council be contacted to discuss in detail with Renfrewshire Access Panel the findings of the report and the potential solutions suggested by UWS students in order to agree a set of design principles to promote accessibility.

**5 WEST COLLEGE SCOTLAND – GREENER INITIATIVES**

A presentation was given by the Director of Finance & Estates, West College Scotland relative to sustainability and the way ahead for the College.

The presentation gave a brief overview of the College and their carbon management plans; highlighted some key facts and the journey so far; outlined what sustainability meant to the College; and summarised the challenges and next steps.

**DECIDED:** That the presentation be noted.

**6 CARBON MANAGEMENT SUB-GROUP**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Public Protection, Community Resources, Renfrewshire Council relative to the merger of the Greener Housing and the Carbon Management & Waste Reduction sub-groups to form the Carbon Management Sub-Group.

The report advised that at the meeting of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board on 1 April 2016 a large number of cross-cutting issues had been identified across the work of the Greener Housing and the Carbon Management & Waste Reduction sub-groups. It was agreed to form one sub-group under the remit of Carbon Management. An initial meeting of the lead officers of the previous two sub-groups was held and a number of high level priorities were identified which would address carbon management and energy efficiency issues across Renfrewshire as well as the issues relating to the management of waste and recycling.

It was established that further expertise would be required to ensure that engagement with Community Planning Partners and other stakeholders across Renfrewshire could deliver the key priorities of the group and representatives from Resource Efficient Scotland and Energy Savings Trust were to be invited along to help deliver a workshop session on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2016 to share their experience and provide assistance. It was envisaged that the strategic action plan would be the proposed outcome of the workshop which would ensure the delivery of the identified outcomes.

**DECIDED:**

- (a) That the strategic outcomes of the Carbon Management Sub-Group be noted; and
- (b) That it be noted that a detailed action plan on how the Carbon Management Sub-Group aims to achieve these outcomes would be submitted to the next meeting of the Board for approval.

**7 LOW CARBON INFRASTRUCTURE TRANSITION FUND (LCiTF)**

A presentation was given by the Corporate Asset/Energy Manager, Development & Housing Services, Renfrewshire Council relative to the Low Carbon Infrastructure Transition Fund (LCiTF).

The presentation gave a brief overview of the LCiTF and its principal aim; detailed the common thread; outlined the Paisley Central and Foxbar DHS Bid; and highlighted HONE - the demonstrator project.

**DECIDED:** That the presentation be noted.

**8 GREENER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD SPOTLIGHT REPORT**

There was submitted a report by Head of Public Protection, Community Resources, Renfrewshire Council which provided a summary of progress against the Greener actions and measures over the first three years of the Community Plan. The report detailed an overview of the agreed strategic priorities and focus for the Thematic Board and the key areas of work which were being taken forward by partners over the next year. It was noted that a version of the report would be submitted to the Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership Board on 27 June 2016.

**DECIDED:**

- (a) That the strong performance and strategic focus achieved by the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board be noted;
- (b) That the future priorities of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board be noted; and
- (c) That the issues and challenges the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board required to address to enable its priority outcomes to be achieved be noted.

**9 GREENER COMMUNITIES SUB-GROUP MINUTE OF MEETING OF 21 APRIL 2016**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Public Protection, Community Resources, Renfrewshire Council which provided details of the meeting of the Greener Communities Sub-Group which took place on 21 April 2016. The Minute of the meeting was attached as an appendix to the report.

**DECIDED:** That the report be noted.

10 **GREENER TRANSPORT SUB-GROUP MINUTE OF MEETING OF 5 APRIL, 2016**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Public Protection, Community Resources, Renfrewshire Council which provided details of the meeting of the Greener Transport Sub-Group which took place on 5 April 2016. The Minute of the meeting was attached as an appendix to the report.

**DECIDED:** That the report be noted.

11 **OVERVIEW OF INITIATIVES AND GOOD PRACTICE EXAMPLES**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Public Protection which provided an overview of recent developments, initiatives and funding streams made available to Community Planning Partnerships in Scotland.

**DECIDED:** That the report be noted.