

To: Audit, Scrutiny & Petitions Board

On: 28 November 2016

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Report by: Director of Finance and Resources

Heading: Petition: Bus Shelter, Barrhead Road, Paisley

## 1. Summary

1.1 A petition comprising around 100 signatures has been received from Ms Jessie McEwan in the undernoted terms:

"To reinstate the bus stop and shelter on Barrhead Road, adjacent to Barscube Terrace – because of concerns and issues of access for those disabled and elderly passengers."

- 1.2 The Head of Amenity Services advises that the bus shelter at Barrhead Road opposite Cartha Crescent, Paisley has been assessed for safety reasons by Strathclyde Partnership for Transport and Renfrewshire Council. Access from the footpath to the shelter is by 4 steps which is not DDA compliant. In addition access into the shelter is restricted to less than 1 metre and as a result has been decommissioned on safety grounds. Strathclyde Partnership for Transport has removed the bus stop flag and advised the bus operators that they should no longer use this stop. However the shelter will have to remain in place as it forms part of the bus shelter advertising contract and subject to planning permission. The nearest stop and shelter is approximately 90 metres southeast of the decommissioned stop.
- 1.3 The petition is valid in terms of the Council's procedures for dealing with petitions and the principal petitioner, together with one supporter, has been invited to attend the meeting and they will be asked to make a statement, lasting no more than 10 minutes, in support of the petition.
- 1.4 The role of the Board is to consider the petition, hear and ask questions of the petitioner and take the appropriate action in respect of the petition which will be one of the following:
  - (a) that no action is taken, in which case the reasons will be specified and intimated to the petitioner;

- (b) that the petition be referred to the relevant director/and or policy board for further investigation, with or without any specific recommendation; or
- (c) refer the petition to another organisation if the petition relates to that organisation.

## 2. Recommendation

2.1 That the Board hears from the principal petitioner.

## Implications of this report

- 1. Financial Implications none
- 2. HR and Organisational Development Implications none
- 3. Community Plan/Council Plan Implications none
- 4. **Legal Implications –** none
- 5. Property/Assets Implications none
- 6. Information Technology Implications none
- 7. Equality and Human Rights Implications
  - (a) The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report because for example it is for noting only. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.
- 8. Health and Safety Implications none
- **9. Procurement Implications** none
- **10.** Risk Implications none
- **11. Privacy Impact** none

## **List of Background Papers –** petition

