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Notice of Meeting and Agenda Council

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 02 March 2023	09:30	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

MARK CONAGHAN
Head of Corporate Governance

Membership

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Councillor Jennifer Adam: Councillor Fiona Airlie-Nicolson: Councillor Alison Ann-Dowling: Councillor Stephen Burns: Councillor Michelle Campbell: Councillor Graeme Clark: Councillor Carolann Davidson: Councillor Eddie Devine: Councillor Andy Doig: Councillor Audrey Doig: Councillor Chris Gilmour: Councillor Edward Grady: Councillor Gillian Graham: Councillor Neill Graham: Councillor John Gray: Councillor Anne Hannigan: Councillor John Hood: Councillor Lisa-Marie Hughes: Councillor Robert Innes: Councillor Alec Leishman: Councillor Bruce MacFarlane: Councillor James MacLaren: Councillor Kenny MacLaren: Councillor Mags MacLaren: Councillor Colin McCulloch: Councillor Janis McDonald: Councillor David McGonigle: Councillor Jamie McGuire: Councillor Marie McGurk: Councillor Iain McMillan: Councillor John McNaughtan: Councillor Kevin Montgomery: Councillor Sam Mullin: Councillor Will Mylet: Councillor Jim Paterson: Councillor Emma Rodden: Councillor John Shaw: Councillor Ben Smith: Councillor Andy Steel:

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Procedures for Budget Meeting

Copies of the notes of the procedures to be followed in respect of consideration of (i) the Revenue Estimates and Council Tax; and (ii) the Housing Revenue Account Budgets, Rent Levels and Capital Investment Plans are attached to the relevant reports.

Section 112 Statement

Members' attention is drawn to the enclosed statement regarding declarations in terms of Section 112 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992

Items of business

Apologies

Apologies from members.

Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare an interest in any item(s) on the agenda and to provide a brief explanation of the nature of the interest.

1 Minutes of Meetings of Council, Boards and Panels (attached separately)

Council, 15 December 2022, pages 443-460

Communities and Housing Policy Board, 17 January 2023, pages 461-472

Regulatory Functions Board, 18 January 2023, pages 473-482

Education and Children's Services Policy Board, 19 January 2023, pages 483-488

Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Board, 23 January 2023, pages 489-496

Economy and Regeneration Policy Board, 24 January 2023, pages 497-502

Planning and Climate Change Policy Board, 24 January 2023, pages 503-510

Infrastructure, Land and Environment Policy Board, 25 January 2023, pages 511-518

Personnel Appeals and Applied Conditions of Service Appeals Panel, 26 January 2023, pages 519-520

Local Review Body, 31 January 2023, pages 521-522

Regulatory Functions Board, 2 February 2023, pages 523-534

Special Personnel Appeals and Applied Conditions of Service Appeals Panel, 8 February 2023, pages 535-536

Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board, 9 February 2023, pages 537-556

Appointment Board, 15 February 2023, pages 557-558

Personnel Appeals and Applied Conditions of Service Appeals Panel, 20

February 2023, pages 559-560

Leadership Board, 22 February, 2023 (copy to follow)

2 **Provost's Update**

Hear from Provost

3 Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2023/24

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Report by Director of Finance & Resources

4 Non Housing Capital Investment Programme, Prudential 45 - 96 Framework and Treasury Management Strategy, and Capital Strategy 2023/24 – 2027/28

Report by Director of Finance & Resources

Housing Revenue Account Budget & Rent Levels 2023/24 97 - 114 and Housing Capital Investment Plan 2023/24 to 2027/28

Joint Report by the Director of Communities & Housing and Finance & Resources

6 Council Motion – Street Furniture, Towns and Villages

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Report by Director of Environment & Infrastructure

7 Notice of Motion 1 by Councillors Smith and Davidson

"Disposable Vapes Ban

Renfrewshire Council agrees to support the 'Ban Disposable Vapes' campaign. Council officers will write to the Scottish Government to ask them to enact the ban."

8 Notice of Motion 2 by Councillors McCulloch and Montgomery

"Affordable Housing Programme

Despite nearly fifteen years of sustained affordable home building, and the repeal of the damaging 'Right to Buy' that crippled local affordable housing supply, the number of homeless families remains unacceptably high. Tens of thousands of people are without a place to call home, with thousands of children languishing in wholly unsuitable temporary accommodation.

Council calls upon the Scottish Government to further expand its affordable house building programme, focusing on building for social rent and ensuring homeless people are prioritised for these new homes to reduce homelessness across Scotland. Council further calls upon the Scottish Government to markedly increase and expand the provision and funding of critical housing support services, so that more people are offered the vital holistic support needed to avoid homelessness."

9 Notice of Motion 3 by Councillors Innes and Audrey Doig

"Linwood War Memorial Association"

Council welcomes the news that Linwood War Memorial Association has received official charity status from the Scottish Charity Regulator.

Notes the hard work and dedication that has been put in by this local group to give Linwood a place to honour victims of war.

Council agrees that officers provide relevant support to Linwood War Memorial Society in their efforts going forward."

Notice of Motion 4 by Councillors N Graham and Leishman

"Opposition to any ban on alcohol advertising.

Council agrees to write to the Scottish Government to state our opposition to any ban on alcohol advertising in Scotland out with the safeguards that are already in place. The proposed legislation will have a damaging impact on Scotland and Renfrewshire.

Council will continue to work with services such as RCA Trust and partners across Renfrewshire and beyond to help those with addictions to alcohol and to promote the safe consumption of alcohol."

Notice of Motion 5 by Councillors Davidson and Ann-Dowling

"International Women's Day

Council notes that the 8th of March is International Women's Day.

Council commends the annual illumination of Renfrewshire landmarks in the colour purple each year on the 8th March to celebrate the achievements of Renfrewshire Women and the indispensable contributions women make worldwide."

12 Notice of Motion 6 by Councillors McMillan and G Graham

"IJB Reserves

Council notes that the IJB are in the process of returning unspent monies previously allocated to them by the Scottish Government that was for Covid related issues.

Council believes that a substantial percentage of this money should be reallocated to Scottish councils in order for them to address the continuing challenges resulting from the pandemic.

Furthermore, council agrees to write to the finance minister to this effect."

13 Notice of Motion 7 by Councillors Andy Doig and Hood

"Citizens Assembly on Council Tax Replacement and the Funding of Local Government – This Council regrets the lack of political impetus in Holyrood towards the replacement of the hated Council Tax with a comprehensive system of local government finance which is fair, progressive, and effective, and which delivers the certainty and fiscal security which Scottish local authorities need.

Council notes that a Citizens Assembly on Council Tax replacement was a condition of the SNP/Green Coalition Agreement, and looks with interest on the openness of the Welsh Labour/Plaid Cymru Government to new approaches for local government finance such as a Land Value Tax.

Council therefore calls on the Scottish Government to convene a Citizens Assembly on Council Tax replacement at the earliest opportunity, and on the conclusion of its findings and recommendations to convene an All Party Commission at Holyrood to examine them with a view to implementing the replacement of the Council Tax with an agreed alternative."