

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 20 DECEMBER 2005 AT
0900 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON
ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors George Smith, Maureen McKay, Jim O'Neill, John McGhee, Daniel Coffey, Douglas Reid, Drew McIntyre, Isabella Macrae, John Campbell, Ray Murray, Stuart Finlayson, Robert McDill and Tommy Farrell.

ATTENDING: James Lavery, Executive Director of Development and Property Services; David Mitchell, Head of Administrative and Legal Services; Alan Neish, Head of Planning, Development and Building Standards; Karl Doroszenko, Policy and Projects Manager; and Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Eric Ross, Stephanie Young, Brian Reeves, Eric Jackson, Jimmy Kelly and Jimmy Carmichael.

CHAIR: Councillor George Smith, Vice-Chair.

KILMARNOCK TOWN CENTRE STRATEGY (Item 2, Page 1458, 03/07)

1. There was submitted a report dated 28 November 2005 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services which advised of the Finalised Kilmarnock Town Centre Strategy.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the Kilmarnock Town Centre Strategy as a basis for action by the Council and its partners to improve the vitality and viability of the Town Centre;
- (ii) that the Kilmarnock Town Centre Strategy becomes a prime material consideration in the assessment of all future Town Centre related planning applications or proposals;
- (iii) to approve the preparation of detailed Action Plans in conjunction with stakeholders and the Council's partners to drive forward the implementation of the strategy as detailed within the report;
- (iv) that this report and strategy be remitted to the Policy and Resources, Housing and Community Services Committees in respect of their interests;
- (v) to note that the strategy would be formally launched in the new year;
- (vi) to authorise the production of further promotional materials and other related documents; and
- (vii) otherwise, to note the contents of this report.

Councillor Finlayson joined the meeting during discussion on the above item.

EAST AYRSHIRE LOCAL PLAN ALTERATION

ASSESSMENT OF REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED (Item 4, Page 1581, 03/07)

2. There was submitted a report dated 28 November 2005 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services which advised of the scale and

nature of various issues that interested parties had requested the Council to take into account in the preparation of the Consultative Draft version of the Alteration to the East Ayrshire Local Plan; and sought approval for a range of criteria against which all sites suggested as having future development potential can be assessed and selected for further detailed consideration.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to note the contents of the report;
- (ii) to approve the list of criteria detailed in Paragraph 3.2 of the report for use by the Head of Planning, Development and Building Standards in assessing which of the sites suggested as having potential for future residential development would be worthy of further detailed consideration;
- (iii) to authorise the Head of Planning, Development and Building Standards to arrange a Members' Seminar, prior to formal consideration of the Local Plan alteration by a future Development Services Committee; and
- (iv) to note that approval of the criteria as detailed in Paragraph 3.2 of the report would not restrict consideration of any site at the proposed Members' Seminar.

SOUTH LANARKSHIRE LOCAL PLAN - CONSULTATIVE DRAFT

3. There was submitted a report dated 28 November 2005 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services which advised of the response of the Head of Planning, Development and Building Standards on the contents of the South Lanarkshire Local Plan - Consultative Draft in terms of any cross-border policy issues it might raise for East Ayrshire and to seek homologation of the above response by the Committee.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the contents of the report; and
- (ii) to homologate the response already forwarded to South Lanarkshire Council.

GLASGOW AND THE CLYDE VALLEY DRAFT FINALISED ALTERATION 2025 TO THE JOINT STRUCTURE PLAN 2000

4. There was submitted a report dated 28 November 2005 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Development and Property Services which sought to advise and obtain the views of the Committee on the Draft Finalised Alteration of the Glasgow and the Clyde Valley Structure Plan 2000 and to homologate an Officer response to the Structure Plan previously sent to the Joint Structure Plan Committee for consideration.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the contents of the report;
- (ii) to homologate the response already forwarded to the Joint Structure Plan Committee, attached as an annex to the report; and
- (iii) to authorise the Head of Planning, Development and Building Standards to make formal objection to the Structure Plan, at the appropriate time, if it cannot be demonstrated by the Structure Plan Committee that the Council's

observations on the draft versions of the Structure Plan had been taken on board or given due consideration.

The meeting terminated at 0937 hours.