

**THE FIFE COUNCIL - KIRKCALDY AREA COMMITTEE – BLENDED MEETING**

**Small Committee Room, First Floor , Town House, Kirkcaldy**

**30 April 2024**

**2.00 pm – 4.00 pm**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Ian Cameron (Convener), Blair Allan, Lesley Backhouse, Alistair Cameron, Rod Cavanagh, Judy Hamilton, James Leslie, Kathleen Leslie, Carol Lindsay, Julie MacDougall, Nicola Patrick and David Ross.

**ATTENDING:** Julie Dickson, Community Manager, Neighbourhoods and Communities Service; Frances Ratcliffe, Lead Consultant, Bridges and Structures and Keith Johnston, Technician Engineer, Traffic Management South, Roads and Transportation Service; Jackie Funnell, Education Manager and Pamela Colburn, Quality Improvement Officer (Health and Wellbeing), Education Service; Wendy MacGregor, Committee Officer and Elona Thomson, Committee Officer, Legal and Democratic Services.

**ALSO ATTENDING:** Dr Lorna Watson, Deputy Director of Public Health, Child Health Commissioner, NHS Fife (for para. 99 only).

**94. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were submitted in terms of Standing Order No. 22.

**95. MINUTE OF MEETING OF KIRKCALDY AREA COMMITTEE OF (DATE).**

The committee considered the minute of the meeting of the Kirkcaldy Area Committee on 27 February 2024.

Arising from the minute, with reference to paragraph 93(2) - Kirkcaldy Area Committee Forward Work Programme, Councillor Rod Cavanagh requested that a meeting be convened for members of the committee to discuss the confidential report prepared by the Head of Business and Employability Services on the future demolition of the Esplanade multi storey carparks. The Convener responded, informing that arrangements were in place to hold a meeting with members and the Head of Business and Employability Services to discuss a way forward on the subject, which would take place after 21 May 2024 and that members would be advised of the date in due course.

**Decision**

The committee otherwise agreed to approve the minute.

**96. KINGHORN HARBOUR, COASTAL DAMAGE REPAIRS - REQUEST FOR COMMON GOOD FUNDING**

The committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods seeking approval of a Common Good Fund application for undertaking coastal storm repairs to Kinghorn Harbour.

**Decision**

The committee approved the Common Good Fund application for £23,941.72 for the coastal storm repairs to Kinghorn Harbour.

*Councillor Alistair Cameron joined the meeting during consideration of the above item.*

**97. PROPOSED PARKING PROHIBITION - BINNEY WELLS, KIRKCALDY**

The committee considered a report by the Head of Roads and Transportation Services outlining a proposal to introduce a "No Waiting at Any Time" parking prohibition on Binney Wells, Kirkcaldy.

**Decision**

The committee, in the interests of road safety, agreed to:-

- (1) the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce a parking prohibition as detailed in drawing no. TRO24\_02 (Appendix 1 of the report); and
- (2) authorise officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order within a reasonable period unless there were objections.

**98. OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED PARKING PROHIBITION - B928 WINDMILL ROAD AND VIEWFORTH HIGH SCHOOL, KIRKCALDY**

The committee considered a report by the Head of Roads and Transportation Services outlining objections to a proposal to introduce a "No Waiting at Any Time" parking prohibition on B928 Windmill Road at Viewforth High School, Kirkcaldy.

**Decision**

The committee agreed to set aside the outstanding four objections to the proposed Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce the "No Waiting at Any Time" restrictions on B928 Windmill Road at Viewforth High School, Kirkcaldy as shown in drawing no. TRO23\_52 (Appendix 1 to the report), to allow the order to be made and the restrictions put in place.

**99. PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT AND YOUNG PEOPLE HEALTH AND WELLBEING SURVEY RESULTS**

The committee considered a report by the Head of Education Services informing of the Director of Public Health report 'Children and Young People in Fife - the Building Blocks for Health' and the results of the 'Fife Young People's Health and Wellbeing Survey', carried out in March 2023.

**Decision**

The committee:-

- (1) considered and acknowledged the Fife Young People's Health and Wellbeing Survey results; and
- (2) endorsed the next steps outlined in the response to the survey results.

*The committee adjourned at 3.25 pm and reconvened at 3.35 pm*

**100. REPORT ON EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES - 2022-2023**

The committee considered a report by the Head of Education providing details of the attainment outcomes achieved by pupils within the area's schools during the school year 2022/23. The report also included an overview of the range of strategies developed to support key priorities to raise attainment.

**Decision**

The committee:-

- (1) noted the overall progress in raising levels of attainment in 2022/23;
- (2) acknowledged the strategies implemented to raise attainment; and
- (3) agreed to include an additional recommendation on the report, following an amendment moved by Councillor Kathleen Leslie, seconded by Councillor David Ross, to hold a workshop for members of the committee on 18 June 2024, with officers from Education Services, headteachers and school pupils from both high schools and primary schools in Kirkcaldy, to discuss a breakdown of the data and statistics for each school.

**101. KIRKCALDY AREA COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME**

The committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Finance and Corporate Services relating to the workplan for future meetings of the committee.

**Decision**

The committee noted:-

- (1) the content of the workplan; and
- (2) that a member's workshop on the CORRA Foundation would take place on 23 May at 2pm in the Small Committee Room in Town House, Kirkcaldy.