

Cabinet
31 January 2017

IRVINE, 31 January 2017 - At a Meeting of the Cabinet of North Ayrshire Council at 2.30 p.m.

Present

Joe Cullinane, John Bell, Alex Gallagher, Peter McNamara, Louise McPhater and Jim Montgomerie, Very Reverend Matthew Canon McManus, (Church Representative).

In Attendance

C. Hatton, Executive Director (Place); J. Butcher, Executive Director and L. Taylor, Senior Manager (Education and Youth Employment); A. Sutton, Head of Service (Connected Communities) C. McAuley, Head of Service (Economic Growth) (Economy and Communities); L. Friel, Executive Director and Fiona Walker, Interim Head of Service (People and Transformation) (Finance and Corporate Support); Steven Brown, Head of Service (Children, Families and Criminal Justice) (Health & Social Care Partnership); A. Fraser, Head of Democratic Services, A. Todd, Senior Policy and Performance Officer, M. Davison, Senior Manager, (Democratic Services) J. Hutcheson, Communications Officer, B. Tudhope, Strategic Support and Elections Manager, R. Sharp, PA to Chief Executive, A. Little, Committee Services Officer and H. Clancy, Committee Services Support Officer (Chief Executive's).

Also In Attendance

L. Cairns (Chief Executive), C. Glencorse (Business Manager Leisure), L. Barrie (Business Manager Physical Activity), L. Campbell, Business Manager Development and S. Morrison (Development Officer) (North Ayrshire Leisure Limited).

Apologies for Absence

Elizabeth Higton (Church Representative).

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest by Members in terms of Standing Order 10 and Section 5 of the Code of Conduct for Councillors.

2. Minutes

The accuracy of the Minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2017 was confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

3. Consultation on the future of Haysholm School, James McFarlane School, James Reid School, Stanecastle School and Early Years provision at Annick Primary School

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Education and Youth Employment) on the Statutory Public Consultation on the proposal on the future of Haysholm School, James McFarlane School, James Reid School, Stanecastle School and early years provision at Annick Primary School

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to:-

- continued consultation with parents and carers through the parent reference group as the project develops; and
- park space that will be available after the school is built and the possible development of a 3G football pitch.

The Cabinet agreed to (a) the development of a new Additional Support Need School with Early Years provision at the site adjacent to Auchenharvie Academy, Stevenston by closing and amalgamating Haysholm School, James McFarlane School, James Reid School and Stanecastle School and (b) the construction of a new early years provision at Annick Primary School, required as a result of the closure of Stanecastle School.

4. North Ayrshire Leisure Limited (NALL) Business/Service Plan incorporating Budget 2017-18 and Progress Report, December 2016

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on the North Ayrshire Leisure Limited (NALL) Business/Service Plan incorporating Budget 2017-18 and Progress Report, December 2016. The Cabinet also received a presentation by the Chief Executive of North Ayrshire Leisure Limited.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to:-

- the medium to long term financial plans that will include ways to increase income generation;
- the financial surplus that is invested back into KA Leisure's facilities, activities, projects and initiatives;
- the ongoing development programme for staff to assist visitors to North Ayrshire;
- the presentation video that will be made available to the public via the KA Leisure website; and
- external evaluation which assists KA Leisure measure performance quality.

The Cabinet agreed to approve the NALL Progress Report on the Business/Service Plan at December 2016 and Budget for 2017-18

5. Regeneration LEADER Funding Up-date

Submitted report by the Executive Director (Economy and Communities) on the recent success in securing funding from Ayrshire LEADER to assist in the development of two key regeneration projects in the Garnock Valley, Lochshore and Stoneyholm Mill projects.

The Cabinet agreed to (a) accept the Ayrshire LEADER grant award; (b) approve the appointment of a dedicated project officer to develop and deliver the identified regeneration projects; and (c) receive further reports on the progress of the Lochshore and Stoneyholm Mill projects.

6. Directorate Plans 2015/18 Performance Reports as at 30 September 2016

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on the performance of all Directorates as at 30 September 2016 against the priorities in the 2015/18 Directorate Plans

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to:-

Democratic Services

- a briefing note that will be circulated to all members outlining how the EFQM culture has been embedded into the Council and the range of methods used to assess this

Health and Social Care Partnership

- the volume of cross-service working; and
- detailed management information which shows the direction of travel over a period of time and consideration that will be given to including trend information in future performance reports.

The Cabinet agreed to (a) note the performance of all Directorates as at 30 September 2016 against the priorities in the 2015/18 Directorate Plans; and (b) refer the Directorate Plan 2015/18 Performance Reports for the consideration of the Audit and Scrutiny Committee on the 13 February 2017.

The meeting ended at 4.10 p.m.