

## Minute of Meeting



### Special Performance, Review and Scrutiny Committee

Date	Time	Venue
9 March 2016	2 pm	Council Chambers, Midlothian House, Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith

#### Present:

Councillor Milligan (Chair)	Councillor Baxter
Councillor Beattie	Councillor Bennett
Councillor Imrie	Councillor Muirhead
Councillor Pottinger	Councillor Russell
Councillor Wallace	

## 1 Apologies

- 1.1 It was noted that apologies had been received from Councillors Coventry, de Vink, Montgomery and Young.

## 2 Order of Business

The order of business was confirmed as outlined in the agenda that had been circulated.

## 3 Declarations of interest

No declarations of interest were intimated.

## 4 Public Reports

Report No.	Report Title	Presented by:
4.1	Commercial Operations Q3 Performance Report	Head of Commercial Operations

### Outline of report and summary of discussion

The Quarter 3 2015/16 Performance Report for Commercial Operations was submitted. The Head of Commercial Operations highlighted to the Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee the progress in the delivery of strategic outcomes and summary of the emerging challenges as detailed in the Report. Thereafter the Head of Commercial Operations provided detailed responses to the Elected Member's questions which included the following points:

- The recycling plant at Millerhill and progress of the widening of the road at Newcraighall.
- The continued discussions with City Car Club and Scotrail for membership of City Car Club for Midlothian Council employees.
- The hop on hop off bus and the consideration for this to cover Vogrie.
- Landslip at Ironmill steps and why a further consultant's report was required.

### Decision

- To congratulate on the progress made with waste management and the possibility of arranging a visit for elected members to this site once operational.
- To congratulate on the Positive Destination contributions and the apprenticeships for youngsters.
- To provide an update on the progress with regards to cycle racks on Borders Rail line.
- To otherwise note the Report.

### Action

Head of Commercial Operations

Report No.	Report Title	Presented by:
4.2	Finance and Integrated Service Support Performance Report Quarter 3 2015/16	Head of Integrated Service Support

#### Outline of report and summary of discussion

The Quarter 3 2015/16 Performance Report for Integrated Service Support was submitted. The Head of Integrated Service Support highlighted to the Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee the progress in the delivery of strategic outcomes and summary of the emerging challenges as detailed in the Report. Thereafter the Head of Integrated Service Support provided detailed responses to the Elected Member's questions which included the following points:

- The loss of records at Hopefield and any issues which may arise from this.
- Clarity on the additional income for Midlothian Council from the Council Tax banding changes.

#### Decision

- To note the Report

Report No.	Report Title	Presented by:
4.3	Property and Facilities Management Performance Report Quarter 3 2015/16	Head of Property and Facilities

#### Outline of report and summary of discussion

The Quarter 3 2015/16 Performance Report for Property and Facilities Management Report was submitted. The Head of Property and Facilities highlighted to the Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee the progress in the delivery of strategic outcomes and summary of the emerging challenges as detailed in the Report. Thereafter the Head of Property and Facilities provided detailed responses to the Elected Member's questions which included the following points:

- The provision of school meals and the challenges with requests for Nursery sector to be provided with school meals and any consideration to using Colleges to assist with this.
- Update on the point of sale system for Sports and Leisure.
- Clarity on the percentage of housing stock meeting the Scottish Housing Quality Standard and an explanation on how this has been achieved with areas of exemptions.
- An explanation on what is covered in the £5.6 million funding for energy efficiency projects.
- Asset Register and how this can be accessed.
- Rural Communities and alternative solutions with regard to heating and insulation.

**Decision**

- To note the provision and service of school meals provided by Midlothian.
- To otherwise note the Report.

Report No.	Report Title	Presented by:
4.4	Midlothian Council Performance Report Quarter 3 2015/16	Chief Executive

**Outline of report and summary of discussion**

The Quarter 3 2015/16 Performance Report for Midlothian Council was submitted. The Chief Executive highlighted to the Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee the progresses and a summary of the emerging challenges as detailed in the Report.

**Decision**

- To note the report.

Report No.	Report Title	Presented by:
4.5	2014/15 Local Government Benchmarking Framework Results	Chief Executive

**Outline of report and summary of discussion**

The 2014/15 Local Government Benchmarking Framework Results was presented by the Chief Executive. The purpose of this report was to update the Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee on the Local Government Benchmarking Framework and to present an overview of the Council's performance against the indicators for 2014/15. The Chief Executive highlighted the main points of this report.

**Decision**

- To note the 2014/15 Local Government Benchmarking Framework comparison results.
- To note the ongoing activity relating to the Family Groups.

## 5 Private Reports

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No private business submitted to this meeting.

The meeting terminated at 14:45 pm