

AGENDA

- (1) Declarations of Interest in terms of the Ethical Standards in Public Life Etc. (Scotland) Act 2000

STRATEGIC

- (2) Corporate Services - Service Improvement Plan 2007/08 (pages 1-16)
Submit report dated 23 April 2008 by Executive Director of Corporate Services summarising performance and progress against the planned improvement actions and key actions to conclude the 2007/08 Service Improvement Planning Process (copy herewith)
- (3) Quarterly Performance Management Exceptions Report - Quarter 4 (January to March 2008) (pages 17-21)
Submit report dated 6 May 2008 by Executive Director of Corporate Services informing of Service Performance within Quarter 4 (January – March 2008) which fall outwith agreed thresholds (copy herewith)

FINANCIAL

- (4) 2007/2008 Revenue Monitoring Report - 1 April 2007 to 31 March 2008 (pages 22-31)
Submit report dated 23 April 2008 by Executive Director of Corporate Services detailing for the period from 1 April 2007 to 31 March 2008 actual expenditure and income against the estimates detailed in the 2007/2008 Corporate Services budget (copy herewith)
- (5) Composite Capital Programme 2007/2008 - Monitoring Report - 1 April to 29 November 2007 (pages 32-34)
Submit report dated 22 April 2008 by Head of Property Services providing a summary of the performance of the Property Division Capital Programme for the period from 1 April to 29 November 2007 (copy herewith)

OPERATIONAL

- (6) Minutes of Sub-Committees
 - (a) Corporate Services (Licensing) Sub-Committee (pages 35-54)
Submit Minutes of meeting and adjourned meeting held on 5 March 2008 (copy herewith)
Submit Minutes of special meeting and adjourned special meeting held on 10 March 2008 (copy herewith)
Submit Minute of meeting held on 26 March 2008 (copy herewith)
Submit Minute of special meeting held on 3 April 2008 (copy herewith)
Submit Minute of meeting held on 23 April 2008 (copy herewith)
 - (b) Civic Functions Group (pages 55-57)
Submit Minute of meeting held on 24 April 2008 (copy herewith)

- (7) North Lanarkshire Local Licensing Forum (page 58-60)
Submit report dated 22 April 2008 by Head of Central Services seeking the appointment of a replacement Member to the North Lanarkshire Local Licensing Forum (copy herewith)

- (8) Taxi Licensing – Survey of Demand for Taxis in North Lanarkshire (pages 61-63)
Submit report dated 7 February 2008 by the Head of Legal Services on the outcome of the independent survey for taxi cars conducted amongst North Lanarkshire residents and to make an appropriate recommendation (copy herewith)

- (9) Taxi Licensing - Taxi Fares Review 2008 (page 64)
Submit report dated 18 April 2008 by Head of Legal Services advising that it was now necessary for the Council to carry out its statutory duty to periodically review taxi fares in its area (copy herewith)

- (10) Review of Licence Conditions - Street Trader's Licences (pages 65-74)
Submit report dated 18 April 2008 by Head of Legal Services advising of proposed changes to licence conditions for street trader's in North Lanarkshire (copy herewith)

- (11) By-laws Prohibiting the Consumption of Alcohol in Designated Public Places (pages 75-77)
Submit report dated 21 April 2008 by Head of Legal Services advising of the issue of new guidance by the Scottish Government and to consider further action (copy herewith)

- (12) Scottish Court Service - Consultation Paper on Review of Fees Charged by the Court of Session, Sheriff Courts, Office of the Public Guardian, Accountant of Court and High Court (pages 78-81)
Submit report dated 15 April 2008 by Head of Legal Services seeking homologation of the response made to the consultation on proposed increases to fees charged in respect of civil court cases and by the Office of the Public Guardian (copy herewith)

- (13) Response to the Consultation on the Interest (Scotland) Bill (pages 82-90)
Submit report by Executive Director of Corporate Services seeking homologation of the response made to the proposed Interest (Scotland) Bill (copy herewith)

- (14) Scottish Information Commissioner – Annual Report 2007 (pages 91-97)
Submit report dated 20 April 2008 by Executive Director of Corporate Services setting out and commenting on the terms of the Scottish Information Commissioner Annual Report for 2007 (copy herewith)

- (15) Scottish Government Consultation on Community Councils and Impact Upon North Lanarkshire Council's Quadrennial Elections (pages 98-99)

Submit report dated 7 May 2008 by Head of Central Services (1) advising Members of the receipt of a Scottish Government consultation on aspects of Community Council's operation and of their potential impact upon the proposed arrangements for the Community Council Quadrennial Elections which are due to be held later this year, and (2) seeking authority to respond to the consultation paper (copy herewith)

- (16) Her Majesty's Prison Addiewell (pages 100)
Submit report dated 6 May 2008 by Head of Central Services advising that a new prison, HMP Addiewell, is due to open in December 2008, and of the consequential proposal to amend the Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Rules 2006 to require North Lanarkshire Council to make appointments to a Prison Visiting Committee for HMP Addiewell (copy herewith)
- (17) Civic Centre, Motherwell - Maintenance and Refurbishment – Timetable and Arrangements (pages 101-103)
Submit report dated 25 April 2008 by Head of Central Services advising of the timetable for major works on the Civic Centre, Motherwell and making proposals for operational arrangements (copy herewith)
- (18) Area/Registration Service
- (a) Production of Ceremony and Bereavement Guides – Proposed Agreement with Network UK (page 104)
Submit report dated 23 April 2008 by Head of Central Services updating on an approach made by Network UK to produce on behalf of the Registration Service Ceremony and Bereavement Guide (copy herewith)
- (b) Bookstart in Scotland Programme – Distribution of “Congratulations on Your New Baby” Cards (page 105)
Submit report dated 23 April 2008 by Head of Central Services informing of the Bookstart in Scotland Programme (copy herewith)
- (c) Nationality Checking Service (pages 106-108)
Submit report dated 23 April 2008 by Head of Central Services advising of an invitation from the Home Office, UK Border Agency to local authorities to introduce a Nationality Checking Service (copy herewith)
- (19) Members' Accommodation (pages 109)
Submit report dated 7 May 2008 by Head of Central Services seeking homologation of a decision, following consultation with the Convener, to allocate a vacant office on the fifth floor of the Civic Centre to Councillor H. McGuigan (copy herewith)
- (20) Members' Training and Development 2007/08 (pages 110-113)
Submit report dated 23 April 2008 by Executive Director of Corporate Services advising of Members' Training and Development activity in 2007/08 (copy herewith)

- (21) Elected Members' Caseload Management (pages 114-115)
Submit report dated 7 May 2008 by Head of Central Services recommending acceptance of an invitation to utilise on a cost free basis, for a period of three months, a caseload management system (copy herewith)
- (22) Post Office, Airdrie Branch, Buchanan Street, Airdrie (page 116-117)
Submit report dated 24 April 2008 by Head of Central Services advising of correspondence received from Post Office (1) proposing revised arrangements for the management of Airdrie Post Office located at Buchanan Street, Airdrie, and (2) seeking feedback from customers who regularly visit the branch (copy herewith)
- (23) Provision of Taxi Ranks in Airdrie (page 118)
Submit report dated 29 April 2008 by Head of Central Services advising of the receipt of a Petition requesting the provision of taxi ranks in Airdrie (copy herewith)
- (24) Town Twinning
- (a) Meulan (page 119)
Submit report dated 7 May 2008 by Head of Central Services seeking homologation for action taken to invite the Mayor of Meulan to visit North Lanarkshire on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the establishment of twinning links with the community of Kilsyth (copy herewith)
 - (b) Stepps/Les Marches Friendship Group (page 120)
Submit report dated 24 April 2008 by Head of Central Services advising of action taken, after consultation with the Convener, in awarding assistance in respect of a twinning visit from Les Marches, France and seeking homologation in this regard (copy herewith)
 - (c) Schweinfurt Unterfrankenschau 2008 (page 121)
Submit report dated 24 April 2008 by the Head of Central Services advising of correspondence received from the Chairman, Schweinfurt Twinning Association advising that they have agreed to take responsibility for a stand at the Unterfrankenschau (UFRA) 2008
 - (d) Cumbernauld and Kilsyth Ramblers' Association (page 122)
Submit report dated 23 April 2008 by Head of Central Services advising of correspondence received from Cumbernauld and Kilsyth Ramblers' Association advising of a twinning visit to Bron, France during April 2008 (copy herewith)
 - (e) Campi Bisenzio and Saint Denis (page 123)
Submit report dated 7 May 2008 by Head of Central Services recommending that the Council convene a public meeting with a view to re-establishing twinning associations for respectively, the twinning links with Campi Bisenzio and Saint Denis (copy herewith)
- (25) Kirkin of the Council (page 124)
Submit report dated 1 May 2008 by the Head of Central Services proposing arrangements for the Kirkin of the Council (copy herewith)

- (26) Conferences (pages 125-126)
Submit report dated 7 May 2008 by Head of Central Services advising of invitations received in respect of Member attendance at conferences (copy herewith)