

Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee

10.00 am, Tuesday, 19 January 2016

Present

Councillors Burns (Convener), Howat (Vice-Convener), Burgess, Child, Ricky Henderson, Hinds, Lewis, Main, Mowat, Rankin, Robson (substituting for Councillor Godzik), Ross and Rose.

1. Minute

Decision

To approve the minute of the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee of 1 December 2015 as a correct record.

2. Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee Key Decisions Forward Plan February to May 2016

The Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee Key Decisions Forward Plan for February to May 2016 was presented.

Decision

To note the Key Decisions Forward Plan for February to May 2016.

(Reference – Key Decisions Forward Plan February to May 2016, submitted.)

3. Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee Rolling Actions Log

Details were provided of the outstanding actions arising from decisions taken by the Committee.

Decision

- 1) To agree to close the following actions:
 - Action 11 – Eurocities AGM and Conference
 - Action 21 – World Creative Economy Summit.
- 2) To update the Action Owners to reflect the Directorate changes.
- 3) To otherwise note the Rolling Actions Log.

(Reference – Rolling Actions Log, submitted.)

4. Business Bulletin

The Corporate Policy and Strategy Business Bulletin for 19 January 2016 was presented.

Decision

To note the Business Bulletin.

(Reference – report by the Chief Executive, submitted.)

5. Domestic Abuse Service Re-design: Developing a Coordinated Community Response

Details were provided on plans to reshape domestic abuse services in Edinburgh which included a proposed Project Initiation Document to support the establishment of the redesign.

Decision

- 1) To note the report by the Chief Social Work Officer.
- 2) To approve the establishment of a Project Board to govern the redesign of domestic abuse services for women and children in Edinburgh.
- 3) To approve the proposals within the Project Implementation Document.

(Reference – report by the Chief Social Work Officer, submitted.)

6 Consultation on Draft Order to Amend the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 – Complaints Review Committee

Details were provided on consultation which had taken place seeking views on a draft Order to amend the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 in order to allow the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman (SPSO) to investigate complaints in relation to the substance of social work decisions. The proposal was to remove the Complaints Review Committee stage entirely and extend the powers of the SPSO to allow them to investigate complaints relating to social work.

Decision

- 1) To note the consultation response which had been submitted by the required deadline as an officer draft.
- 2) To note that if approved, the changes described within the draft Order were expected to come into force on 1 October 2016.

(Reference – report by the Chief Social Work Officer, submitted.)

7. The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo – Australia and New Zealand Tour

Details were provided of the participation of the Lord Provost in an overseas visit programme from 10 to 22 February 2016 as part of the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo (REMT) tour to Australia and New Zealand. The visit comprised performances and events in Melbourne and Wellington in the Lord Provost's role as Lord Lieutenant and Chair of the Board of Directors of the REMT and a visit to Edinburgh's twin city Dunedin in his role as Edinburgh's civic leader.

Decision

- 1) To approve the Lord Provost's participation in the overseas visit programme in February 2016 as part of the REMT tour to Australia and New Zealand. To note that the tour included performances and events in Melbourne and Wellington in the Lord Provost's role as Lord Lieutenant and Chair of the Board of Directors of the REMT and a visit to Edinburgh's twin city Dunedin in his role as Edinburgh's civic leader.
- 2) To note that a post-visit report on the benefits of attendance would be provided after the event.
- 3) To ask that in future, advance notice of proposed foreign and long haul trips by elected members be reported earlier to Committee.

(Reference – report by the Chief Executive, submitted.)