

Finance and Resources Committee

10.00am, Tuesday 5 September 2017

Present

Councillors Rankin (Convener), Donaldson (Vice-Convener), Bridgman, Corbett, Howie, Hutchison, Johnston, Miller, Neil Ross, Watt and Whyte.

1. Minutes

Decision

To approve the minute of the Finance and Resources Committee of 23 March 2017 as a correct record.

2. Key Decisions Forward Plan

The Finance and Resources Committee Key Decisions Forward Plan for 5 to 28 September 2017 was submitted.

Decision

To note the Key Decisions Forward Plan from 5 to 28 September 2017.

(Reference – Finance and Resources Committee Key Decisions Forward Plan, submitted.)

3. Rolling Actions Log

The Finance and Resources Committee Rolling Actions Log was submitted.

Decision

- 1) To note that the following actions would be considered by the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee.

Action 1 - Transformation Programme: Progress Update

Action 2 - Governance of Major Projects – Progress Report

- 2) To agree to close Action 5 – Workplace Travel Planning Consultants – Award of Contract.

- 3) To otherwise note the rolling actions log.

(Reference – Rolling Actions Log, submitted.)

4. Business Bulletin

Decision

To note the Finance and Resources Committee Business Bulletin.

5. Appointments to Working Groups 2017/18

The Committee was asked to appoint the membership of the Sub-Committees and Working Groups of the Finance and Resources Committee for the year 2017/18.

Decision

- 1) To appoint the following members to the undernoted Working Groups:

Joint Consultative Group

Councillors Bridgman, Donaldson, Hutchison, Rae, Rankin, Neil Ross and Whyte

Elected Member ICT and Digital Sounding Board

Councillors Booth, Donaldson, Howie, Hutchison, Johnston, Rankin, Neil Ross and Watt

Health and Safety Consultation Working Group

Councillor Donaldson

- 2) To postpone the re-appointment of the Property Sub-Committee until such time as a meeting of the Sub-Committee was deemed necessary.
- 3) To approve the remits of the Joint Consultative Group, Elected Member ICT and Digital Sounding Board and the Council Health and Safety Consultation Forum 2017/18 as set out in Appendices 1 to 3 of the report by the Chief Executive.

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

6. Revenue Monitoring 2016/17 – Outturn Report

Details were provided on the provisional 2016/17 revenue outturn position for the Council based on the unaudited financial statements. The unaudited outturn position showed an overall underspend of £1.058m, which equated to 0.11% of the Council's total net expenditure

Decision

- 1) To note the report by the Executive Director of Resources and the provisional revenue underspend of £1.058 million for the year ended 31 March 2017 and that these monies had been set aside within the Council's Priorities Fund.
- 2) To note the contributions in 2016/17 to and from the General Fund as detailed in the report and refer the report to Council for ratification for use of funds.
- 3) To note the Housing Revenue Account was balanced after making a contribution of £11.9m to the Renewal and Repairs Fund.
- 4) To note that a report on the Common Good Fund was also considered by the Finance and Resources Committee on 5 September 2017.

- 5) To refer the report to the Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee as part of its workplan.

Declaration of Interests

Councillor Whyte declared a non-financial interest in the above item as a Director of EDI.

(References – Act of Council No 16 of 29 June 2017; report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

7. Capital Monitoring 2016/17 – Outturn and Receipts

Details were provided on the final outturn on the Council's Capital Programme for 2016/17 which included details of capital receipts and slippage/acceleration on projects within the Capital Investment Programme.

Decision

- 1) To note the 2016/17 final unaudited capital positions on the General Fund and Housing Revenue Account (HRA).
- 2) To approve the revised Capital Investment Programme for 2017-2022.
- 3) To refer the report to the Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee as part of its workplan.

(References – Act of Council No 16 of 9 February 2017; report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

8. Revenue Monitoring 2017/18 – Month Three Position

Details were provided on the projected overall position for the Council's revenue expenditure budget for 2017/18 based on analysis of period three data.

Decision

- 1) To note the significant projected overspend position for the year.
- 2) To note the proposal to apply, subject to the outcome of the external audit process and ratification by Council, the 2016/17 in-year underspend and sums previously earmarked in respect of welfare reform-related changes to address pressures in 2017/18, together supporting the process of longer-term service redesign.
- 3) To instruct the Executive Director of Place, Chief Officer of the Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership and Head of Safer and Stronger Communities to identify, as a matter of urgency, proposed remedial measures to address the projected overspends in their respective areas.
- 4) To note that those Executive Directors whose Directorates were projecting a balanced or underspend position would be asked to identify opportunities for additional savings in their respective areas.

- 5) To note that, in light of the above, a further update would be included in the mid-year review to be considered at the Finance and Resources Committee's next meeting on 28 September 2017.
- 6) To note the balanced position projected on the Housing Revenue Account.
- 7) To refer the report to the Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee for consideration as part of its work programme.
- 8) To agree that a further report be submitted to the Finance and Resource Committee on 7 November 2017 regarding proposed savings arising from the integration of services.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

9. Resources Directorate – Revenue Budget Monitoring 2017/18 – Month Three Position

Details were provided of the Resources Directorate financial performance for 2017/18, based on actual expenditure and income to the end of June 2017 and expenditure and income projections for the remainder of the financial year.

Decision

- 1) To note the Resources Directorate was currently projecting a £0.5m underspend for 2017/18.
- 2) To note the risks to the achievement of a balanced revenue budget projection.

(References – Act of Council No 2 of 9 February 2017; report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

10. Chief Executive – Revenue Budget Monitoring 2017/18 – Month Three Position

Details were provided on the projected three-month revenue monitoring position for services reporting directly to the Chief Executive based on actual expenditure and income to the end of June 2017 and expenditure and income projections for the remainder of the financial year.

Decision

- 1) To note that services reporting directly to the Chief Executive were currently projecting expenditure within the approved revenue budget for 2017/18.
- 2) To note the risks to the achievement of a balanced revenue budget projection.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

11 Capital Monitoring 2017/18 Three-Month Position

Details were provided on the overall position of the Council's capital budget at month three and the projected outturn for the year.

Decision

- 1) To note the projected capital outturn positions on the General Fund and HRA at month three.
- 2) To note the prudential indicators at month three.
- 3) To refer the report to the Governance, Risk and Beat Value Committee as part of its workplan.

(References – Act of Council No 2 of 9 February 2017; report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

12. Revenue and Capital Budget Framework 2018/23 – Progress Update

The Council had approved a balanced revenue budget for 2017/18 and an indicative balanced budget for 2018/19 as part of a longer-term framework, subject to delivery of approved budget savings.

An update was provided on the outcome of the review of the full range of expenditure and income factors impacting upon the council's activities which pointed to a significant savings in each of the next five financial years.

Motion

- 1) To note the updates to a number of underlying assumptions contained within the budget framework.
- 2) To note the significant resulting increase in the projected funding gap in all years, including a need to identify additional savings for delivery in 2018/19.
- 3) To note that a further update would be provided to the Committee as part of the mid-year review report to be considered on 28 September 2017.
- 4) To agree that a further report be submitted following the publication of the Scottish Government's response to the Barclay Review, and that this report would outline the implications for the council and service users.

- moved by Councillor Whyte, seconded by Councillor Hutchison

Amendment

- 1) To note the updates to a number of underlying assumptions contained within the budget framework.
- 2) To not the significant resulting increase in the projected funding gap in all years, including a need to identify additional savings for delivery in 2018/19.
- 3) To note that a further update would be provided to the Committee as part of the mid-year review report to be considered on 28 September 2017.
- 4) To note the publication of the Barclay Review into Non Domestic Rates and the potential adoption of some recommendations from April 2018; welcome proposals, among others, to end rates relief for independent schools, to exempt day nurseries from rates, to tighten rules for short term lets, and to seek to ensure student accommodation let commercially outside term time is liable for rates; acknowledge concern about the possible impact on Edinburgh Leisure of

the proposal to end rates relief on ALEOs providing sports facilities and a number of other recommendations which may impact negatively on income or services; and therefore call for a report within one cycle, as part of the budget process, setting out the potential budget impact for the period 2018-23

- moved by Councillor Corbett, seconded by Councillor Miller

Voting

The voting was as follows:

For the motion - 9 votes
For the amendment - 2 votes

(For the motion – Councillors Bridgman, Donaldson, Howie, Hutchison, Johnston, Rankin, Neil Ross, Watt and Whyte.

For the amendment – Councillors Corbett and Miller)

Decision

To approve the motion by Councillor Whyte.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee, 23 March 2017 (item 3(b)); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted.)

13. Treasury Management: Annual Report 2016/17

An update was provided on Treasury Management activity in 2016/17.

Decision

- 1) To note the Annual Report on Treasury Management for 2016/17.
- 2) To refer the report to Council for approval and subsequent referral by Council to the Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee for their scrutiny.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

14. Fraud Prevention and Detection – Annual Report

Details were provided on fraud prevention and detection activities undertaken by Internal Audit and the Corporate Fraud investigation Team in 2016/17.

Decision

To note the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

(References – Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee, 9 June 2015 (item 14); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted.)

15. Contract Awards and Procurement Programme (Period 1 January – 30 June 2017)

An update was provided on the scope of contracts awarded between 1 January and 30 June 2017.

Decision

- 1) To note the report by the Executive Director of Resources and the authorisations made under delegated authority.
- 2) To note that a further report would be submitted to Committee in six months time.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

16. Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC) Annual Report

Details were provided on the Council's Carbon Reduction Commitment carbon footprint for the financial year 2016/17.

Decision

- 1) To note the Council's carbon footprint for the financial year 2016/17.
- 2) To note that the annual report had been submitted to the Environmental Agency by the statutory deadline of the end of July.
- 3) To note that the Carbon Reduction Commitment handbook had been subject to its annual review and updated as appropriate.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

17. Finance Policies – Assurance Statement

Details were provided on the main results of the review of policies falling within the remit of the Head of Finance.

Decision

To note that the Finance policies detailed in the report by the Executive Director of Resources had been reviewed and were considered to remain current, relevant and fit for purpose.

(References – Act of Council No 14 of 29 June 2017; report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

18. Consultants Costs 2016/17

Details were provided of expenditure on consultants for the provision of professional services during 2016/17. Revenue expenditure of £6.847m and capital expenditure of £2.877m was incurred on consultants for the year ended 31 March 2017 which was contained within approved budget resources for 2016/17.

Decision

- 1) To note the revenue and capital expenditure for consultants in the financial year 2016/17.

- 2) To note the one-off revenue costs on external professional support incurred in 2016/17 to achieve delivery of major Council projects, including the Commercial Excellence and Transformation Programme projects, which had been progressed to achieve significant future years' savings.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee, 25 August 2009 (item 11); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted.)

19. Property Conservation – Legacy Debt

Approval was sought for the extension of delegated authority which had been granted to the Chief Executive for Project Joule (statutory repairs) debt to 31 March 2018 and to extend similar delegated authority to legacy statutory repairs debt.

Decision

To delegate authority (with power to sub-delegate to any relevant Council officer he considered appropriate) to the Chief Executive in relation to Project Joule (statutory repairs) and legacy statutory repairs to write off sums and to approve any settlement by way of compensation, refund and / or write-off or otherwise, subject to the following limits:

- (a) the aggregate amount written off and / or paid shall not exceed the amount of the Council's bad debt provision in respect of statutory notice work;
- (b) any proposed settlement by the Chief Executive shall not exceed £100,000 per owner; and
- (c) the delegated authority shall expire on 31 March 2018 unless earlier renewed by the Finance and Resources Committee.

(References – Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee, 23 February 2016 (item 7); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

20. Adoption of the Scotland Excel Fostering and Continuing Care Framework

Approval was sought for the award of the Scotland Excel Fostering and Continuing Care Framework for the provision of fostering services.

Decision

- 1) To approve the award of the Scotland Excel Fostering and Continuing care framework for the provision of fostering services.
- 2) To note that the framework started on 25 March 2017 and would operate for two years, with the option to extend for a further two months.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families, submitted)

21. Adoption of the Scotland Excel Multi Lot Framework Agreement for the Supply and Delivery of Educational Materials 09-16

Approval was sought to adopt and mobilise the Scotland Excel multi lot Framework Agreement to the most economically advantageous organisations identified, following a competitive tendering process, for the Supply and Delivery of Educational Materials 09-16.

Decision

To approve the adoption and mobilisation of the Scotland Excel Framework for the Supply and Delivery of Educational Materials 09-16.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families, submitted)

22. Extension of Contract for Consultancy Services for Roseburn to Union Canal Cycle Route

Approval was sought to extend the existing contract for the consultancy services required for the design of the Roseburn to Union Canal Cycle Route.

Decision

- 1) To approve the extension of the WSP contract for consultancy services required for the Roseburn to Union Canal Cycle Route.
- 2) To approve the increased costs to the Council of £121,491 to be met from the Council's 2017/18 Capital budget for cycling improvements.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee, 4 June 2015 (item 26); report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

23. Asset Management Strategy Transformation Programme - Update

The Committee considered a progress report on the implementation of the Asset Management Strategy (AMS) for Property and Facilities Management.

Decision

- 1) To note the continued progress in each of the key AMS Transformation Programme work streams.
- 2) To note the Management Information dashboard reports provided in Appendix 1 to the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee, 23 February 2016 (item 6), report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted.)

24. Craigmillar Regeneration – Award of Contracts

Approval was sought to award two contracts to CCG (Scotland) Ltd (CCG) with a combined estimated contract value of £34,531,895.

Decision

- 1) To agree a project budget of £26,403,558 for the development of 194 homes and associated works at Craigmillar town centre and designate the Executive Director of Place, or nominated delegate, to award the contract to CCG under the Scottish Procurement Alliance (SPA) framework, providing the contract value does not exceed £25,000,000.
- 2) To agree a project budget of £10,739,151 for the development of 75 homes and associated works at Greendykes G and designate the Executive Director of Place, or nominated delegate, to enter into the building contract and other ancillary documents with CCG to the value of £9,531,895.
- 3) To note that both projects formed part of funding requirements presented within the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) five year capital programme approved by Council on 21 January 2016.
- 4) To note the Council would seek authority to initiate the compulsory purchase of a share of a small area of land within the Craigmillar town site if agreement could not be reached with the owner.

(References – Health Social Care and Housing Committee, 10 November 2015 (item 8), report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted.)

25. The Venchie: Proposed New Lease for Subjects at 61 Niddrie Mains Terrace, Edinburgh

Approval was sought to grant a 25 year lease of subjects at 61 Niddrie Mains Terrace, Edinburgh (“the subjects”) to the Venchie Children & Young People’s Project Limited (“the Venchie”)

Decision

- 1) To approve the grant of a new 25 year lease to the Venchie on the terms and conditions outlined in the report and on such other terms and conditions that may be proposed by the Executive Director of Resources.
- 2) To approve the transfer of the asset from the HRA to the General Fund.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee, 1 December 2016 (item 24); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

26. National Care Home Contract – Outcome of Negotiations

The results of national negotiations led by COSLA to determine the National Care Home Contract (NCHC) terms and conditions for 2017/18 were provided.

Decision

- 1) To note and agree the baseline fee uplift of £0.832m (2.8%) with effect from 10 April 2017.
- 2) To note that any enhanced payments made to care home providers in 2017/18 would be made on the basis of demonstrated quality.
- 3) To agree the Edinburgh concession to the NCHC as set out in the main report.

- 4) To agree to apply a reduction of £25 per week on all rates for shared rooms.

(Reference – report by the Interim Chief Officer, Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership, submitted)

27. Workforce Dashboard

Details regarding VERA (Voluntary Early Release Agreement) and VR (Voluntary Redundancy) together with other data (staffing numbers, staff without roles, absence and agency numbers) were provided.

Decision

To note the workforce information contained in the dashboard.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee, 23 March 2017 (item 8); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

28. Edinburgh Shared Repairs Service (ESRS) – Missing Share

Approval was sought to implement the use of the missing share power under section 50 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006, following the completion of the pilot scheme.

Decision

- 1) To note the results of the pilot scheme of 3 projects approved by the Finance and Resources Committee in June 2016 and the cost benefits assessed.
- 2) To approve the use of the powers for local authorities in accordance with Section 50 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006.
- 3) To agree that the Council would recover the payments made in relation to missing shares including associated administrative expenses and interest.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee, 9 June 2016 (item 27); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

29. Common Good Annual Performance 2016-17

An update was provided concerning the outturn position for the Common Good Fund and the performance of its cash investments for the 2016/2017 financial year. Updates were also provided on the Common Good Property Planned Maintenance Fund and current issues affecting the Common Good in Edinburgh.

Decision

To note the contents of the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee, 23 February 2017 (item 17); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

30. Property Insurance Tender 2017

Approval was sought to award contracts for the provision of property insurance for the Council.

Decision

To approve the award of the contracts for the provision of property insurance for the Council from 1 October 2017 until 30 September 2022 with two, 24-month discretionary extensions to the following tenderers:

- Lot 1 for owned and operational properties and an excess of £1,000,000 to Risk Management Partners with an estimated total value of £2,298,170.
- Lot 2 for Leased-out industrial and commercial properties to Zurich Municipal with an estimated total value of £1,847,973.
- Lot 3 for Leased-out theatres to Maven Public Sector with an estimated total value of £490,768.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee 19 March 2015 (item 14); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

31. Transportation of Food Containers – 2017-2022

Approval was sought to appoint a single supplier to deliver and uplift food containers from school production kitchens and deliver to school dining centres (including lunch clubs), within the City of Edinburgh.

Decision

To approve the appointment of a single supplier to deliver and uplift food containers within the City of Edinburgh to Sheridan Myers Management Services LLP (SMMS) for a period of 3 years with an option to extend for a further 2 periods of 12 months each.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

32. Adoption of the Scotland Excel Framework Agreement for Outdoor Play Equipment and Artificial Surfaces 02-15

Approval was sought for the adoption and implementation of the the Scotland Excel Framework Agreement for Outdoor Play Equipment and Artificial Surfaces 02-15.

Decision

To approve the adoption and implementation of the Scotland Excel Framework for Outdoor Play equipment and Artificial Surfaces 02-15.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families, submitted)

33 Proposed New Lease at 52 High Street, Edinburgh.

Approval was sought to grant of a new 25 year lease to Robert Newman and Stephanie Davidson on the terms and conditions outlined in the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve a new 25 year lease to Robert Newman and Stephanie Davidson of retail premises at 52 High Street, Edinburgh, on the terms outlined in the report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

34. Proposed New Lease at 263 Canongate, Edinburgh

Approval was sought to grant a new 10 year lease to Cranachan & Crowdie Ltd, on the terms and conditions outlined in the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve a new 10 year lease to Cranachan & Crowdie Ltd of retail premises at 263 Canongate, Edinburgh, on the terms outlined in the report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

35. Proposed New Lease at 5 Hamilton Place, Edinburgh

Approval was sought to grant of a new 15 year lease to Intercontinental Catering Limited on the terms and conditions outlined in the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve a new 15 year lease to Intercontinental Catering Limited of restaurant premises at 5 Hamilton Place, Edinburgh, on the terms outlined in the report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources. .

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

36. Proposed New Lease at 60F Colinton Road, Meggetland, Edinburgh

Approval was sought to grant a new 25 year lease to Saint Andrew Boat Club on the terms and conditions outlined in the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve a new 25 year ground lease to Saint Andrew Boat Club at 60F Colinton Road, Edinburgh, on the terms outlined in this report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

37. Proposed New Lease of 32 Market Street, Edinburgh

Approval was sought to grant a new 30 year lease to Beds and Bars Ltd on the terms and conditions outlined in the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve a new 30 year lease to Beds and Bars Ltd of 32 Market Street on the terms outlined in the report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

38. Proposed New Lease at 328 Lawnmarket, Edinburgh

Approval was sought to grant a new 25 year lease to Dildar, Surinder and Galab Singh on the terms and conditions outlined in the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve a new 25 year lease to Dildar Singh, Surinder Singh and Galab Singh of retail premises at 328 Lawnmarket, Edinburgh, on the terms outlined in the report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

39. Proposed Lease Extension at 129 Lauriston Place, Edinburgh

Approval was sought to grant a 10 year lease extension on the terms and conditions outlined in the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve a 10 year lease extension to Edinburgh Art Shop Limited of retail premises at 129 Lauriston Place, Edinburgh, on the terms outlined in the report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

40. Proposed Lease Renewal at 65 Bruntsfield Place, Edinburgh

Approval was sought for a 15-year lease extension on the terms and conditions outlined in the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve a new lease of the property at 65 Bruntsfield Place on the terms and conditions outlined in the report and on other terms to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

41. Proposed Excambion of Land at Manse Road and Liston Place, Kirkliston

Approval was sought for the excambion (exchange) of the two areas of land on the terms and conditions outlined in the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve the excambion of land between the Council and Mr Imtiaz Ahmad on the terms and conditions outlined in the report and on any other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee 14 January 2016 (item 32); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

42. Proposed Sale of Land at Broomhouse Street South

Authority was sought to dispose of the site to Merged One LLP on the terms and conditions outlined in the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve the sale of land to Merged One LLP on the terms and conditions outlined in the report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

43. Proposed Sale of Land at Saughton Road North, Edinburgh, for Electricity Substation

Approval was sought for the disposal of 564 sq.m land at Union Park, Saughton Road North, to Scottish Power Distribution PLC, together with a servitude right of access for over part of the park for laying cables.

Decision

- 1) To approve the sale of land to Scottish Power Distribution PLC under the terms and conditions outlined in the report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.
- 2) To approve the granting of a related servitude for the laying of cables.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

44. Proposed Sale of Land at Gyle Park, Edinburgh, for Electricity Substation

Approval was sought for the disposal of approximately 340 sq.m of land at Gyle Park, Glasgow Road, Edinburgh, to Scottish Power Distribution PLC, together with a servitude right of access over part of the park for maintenance and laying cables.

Decision

- 1) To approve the sale of land, to Scottish Power Distribution PLC, under the terms and conditions outlined in the report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.
- 2) To approve the granting of a related servitude right of access for maintenance and laying cables.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

45. Proposed Ground Lease at Port Edgar

Approval was sought to grant a new ground lease to the Port Edgar Yacht Club for a period of 67 years on the terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve the lease of land extending to 0.155 hectares (0.38 acres) or thereby to Port Edgar Yacht Club in accordance with the terms set out in the report and on such other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

46. Rose Street Lane South – Proposed Lease of Airspace

Approval was sought to grant a new 50 year lease of the airspace to Coal Pension Properties Limited on the terms and conditions outlined in the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

Decision

To approve the lease of the airspace at Rose Street Lane South to Coal Pension Properties Limited on the terms and conditions as outlined in the report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

47. Summary Report on Property Transactions Concluded Under Delegated Authority

Details were provided of property transactions concluded in terms of the Council's 'Scheme of Delegation to Officers'.

Decision

To note the 61 transactions detailed in the Appendix attached to the report by the Executive Director of Resources had been concluded in terms of the Council's 'Scheme of Delegation to Officers'.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee 23 March 2017 (item 24); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

48. Re-employment and Re-engagement of Staff

The Committee agreed under Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it would involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

Details were provided on the number of employees who had returned to employment with the Council following their departure by VERA or VR since March 2016

Decision

To note the report by the Executive Director of Resources.

(References – Finance and Resources Committee 17 March 2016 (item 9); report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

50. Settlement Agreement with Viridor Waste Management Ltd

The Committee agreed under Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it would involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 8 and 10 of Part 1 of Schedule 7(A) of the Act

Decision

To continue the report until the next meeting of the Finance and Resources Committee.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)