# **Finance and Resources Committee**

# 10.00am, Tuesday, 23 January 2018

# Deed of Servitude – Land to the South of Glasgow Road, Edinburgh – Gas Main Diversion

Item number 8.4

Report number Executive/routine

Wards 3 – Drum Brae/Gyle
Council Commitments None applicable

## **Executive Summary**

This report seeks Committee approval to the granting of a deed of servitude for a gas main diversion in connection with the Edinburgh to Glasgow Improvement Programme's Edinburgh Gateway Interchange.



# Report

# Deed of Servitude - Land to the South of Glasgow Road, Edinburgh - Gas Main Diversion

#### 1. Recommendations

#### 1.1 That Committee:

1.1.1 Approves that Council enters into a deed of servitude with Scotland Gas Networks PLC under the terms and conditions outlined in this report and on other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Executive Director of Resources.

### 2. Background

- 2.1 In 2016, Scottish Gas Networks plc diverted approximately 107 metres of a 250 mm diameter gas main over Council owned land to enable significant infrastructure works to take place as part of the Edinburgh to Glasgow Improvement Programme.
- 2.2 The land under consideration forms part of a road embankment containing pedestrian pathways situated between Glasgow Road and the Gyle Shopping Centre. The Programme provides safe pedestrian access under Glasgow Road.

### 3. Main report

- 3.1 Scotland Gas Networks plc now requires to retrospectively enter into a deed of servitude to formalise their occupation and a requirement for access and maintenance.
- 3.2 Scotland Gas Networks plc will pay a consideration of £1 and will bear the Council's legal fees and administrative costs.

#### 4. Measures of success

- 4.1 The Edinburgh to Glasgow Improvement Programme at Edinburgh Gateway Interchange is completed.
- 4.2 The north western edge of the city will continue to benefit from an adequate gas supply network.

4.3 This Programme aims to contribute to a better environment, benefit the communities the route serves, and ultimately lead to more job opportunities within the City of Edinburgh.

### 5. Financial impact

5.1 The Council's legal and administrative costs will be met by Scotland Gas Networks plc.

### Risk, policy, compliance and governance impact

6.1 Should Committee not approve the recommendation of this report, Scotland Gas Networks plc would most likely obtain non-exclusive legal rights of occupation via a statutory route.

# 7. Equalities impact

7.1 This report has been assessed in terms of equalities and human rights. There are no negative equality and rights impacts arising from this report.

### 8. Sustainability impact

8.1 The proposed agreement would contribute towards the delivery of The Edinburgh to Glasgow Improvement Programme.

# 9. Consultation and engagement

9.1 Ward Members have been informed of the recommendations contained within this report.

# 10. Background reading/external references

10.1 N/A

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#### **Executive Director of Resources**

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# 11. Appendices

11.1 Appendix 1 – Location Plan

