

Minutes

Culture and Communities Committee

9.30am, Friday 30 October 2020

Present:

Councillors Wilson (Convener), McNeese-Mechan (Vice-Convener), Brown, Doggart, Doran, Key, Mitchell, Osler, Staniforth and Rae.

1. Partnership Agreement with Police Scotland 2020-2021 – Report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families

An overview of the Partnership Agreement between the City of Edinburgh Council and the Edinburgh Division of Police Scotland in respect of targeted funded policing was presented. The report proposed a refreshed Partnership Agreement for 2020/21, which recognised the reduction in overall funding to £478,000 for the period 2020-2021, and reflected the importance of a shared approach to delivering positive outcomes for communities, as well as the additional benefits which would be achieved by supplementing the Edinburgh Division's establishment with eight Family and Household Support police officers and a Youth Justice Sergeant.

Decision

- 1) To approve the new Partnership Agreement for 2020/2021 at Appendix 1A between the City of Edinburgh Council and the Edinburgh Division of Police Scotland to replace the Partnership Agreement which was current;
- 2) To agree to endorse the new performance framework and key performance indicators (KPIs) shown at Appendix 1C to support the monitoring and assessment of the effectiveness and impact of the Partnership Agreement and associated funding.
- 3) To agree to receive and scrutinise a detailed qualitative and quantitative progress report from the Edinburgh Divisional Commander from Police Scotland, or their designated deputy, on a quarterly basis.

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

2. Resolution to Consider in Private

The Committee, in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, excluded the public from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business for the reason that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 8 and 9 of Part 1 of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

3. All Party Oversight Group Follow Up Report

The Committee considered a report on the arrangements for Winter Festivals 2020.

Decision

To continue consideration of the report until the next meeting of the Culture and Communities Committee on 17 November 2020.

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