

THE MORAY COUNCIL

MINUTE OF MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES COMMITTEE

TUESDAY 28 JUNE 2011

COUNCIL OFFICE, ELGIN

PRESENT

Councillor J Russell (Chairman), L Bell, G Coull, S Cree, J Divers, J Hamilton, G Leadbitter, G McDonald, G McIntyre, I Ogilvie, P Paul, R Shepherd and A Wright.

ALSO PRESENT

Councillors F Murdoch and A McKay.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Head of Direct Services, the Head of Development Services, the Transportation Manager, the Consultancy Manager, the Moray Access Manager, F Knight, Senior Engineer (Design), R Gerring, Senior Engineer, J Killen, Engineer (Transport Development), K Price, Engineer (Traffic), R Milburn, Principal Planning Officer (Economic Development), D Duncan, Principal Planning Officer (Development Planning), L Paisey, Principal Accountant, A McEachan, Principal Solicitor (Commercial & Conveyancing) and the Senior Committee Services Officer, Clerk to the Meeting.

Also in attendance G Dodds, Jacobs Consultancy in respect of item 4 "Elgin Traffic Management : Western Distributor Road"

1. DECLARATION OF GROUP DECISIONS

In terms of Standing Order 20 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct Councillor Leadbitter declared an interest item 4(a) "Elgin Traffic Management : Western Distributor Road".

There were no other declarations from group leaders or spokespersons in regard to any prior decisions taken on how members will vote on any item on the Agenda.

2. EXEMPT INFORMATION

The meeting resolved that, in terms of Section 50A(4) and (5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the public and media representatives be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the items of business appearing at the relevant paragraph of this minute as specified below, so as to avoid disclosure of exempt information of the class described in the appropriate paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

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3. WRITTEN QUESTIONS

There were no written questions.

4. ELGIN TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT : WESTERN DISTRIBUTOR ROAD

Councillor Leadbitter declared an interest in this item and left the meeting taking no part in the discussion or determination of this item.

Under reference to Paragraph 9 (iv) of the Minute of this Committee dated 8 March 2011 there was submitted a report by the Head of Direct Services providing the Committee with the further information requested and inviting the Committee to note the new information contained in the report regarding commitments in the Local Plan and the economic indicators. The report also sought the approval of the Inner Urban Route with a new bridge crossing the railway and a major junction improvement on the A96 West Road, at or near the north end of Wittet Drive, using Wittet Drive as the route of the future improved Elgin Western Distributor Road.

The report further sought the approval for more detailed appraisal work, including land survey work, to be carried out by Jacobs consultants and internal staff on the junction options for joining the Western Distributor Road to the A96 West Road and that a further report should be submitted to the next meeting of this Committee with a recommendation for a specific junction arrangement for the Elgin Western Distributor Road and the A96 West Road based on the results of the appraisal work.

There were appended to the report as Appendices 1 & 2 respectively an extract from Moray Local Plan 2008 Proposals Map for Elgin and a plan showing the location of each improvement scheme referred to in section 5.3 of the report.

Prior to considering the report the Head of Direct Services and the Head of Development Services addressed the meeting in regard the extent of the substantial issues and risks to the Council should the recommendations set out in the report not be accepted by the Committee and the strategic aspects of the economic and planning development issues associated with the proposals.

Following discussion, during which officers responded to Members questions, Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Cree, moved approval of the recommendations set out in Section 2.1 of the report.

Councillor Divers expressed the view that whilst he had no issues with Wittet Drive being part of the Elgin roads network he did not support the demolition of properties to enhance a road network, unless on safety or flooding grounds and for this reason moved, as an amendment, that the roads network enhancements required elsewhere and into Wittet Drive proceed as proposed other than the demolition of properties required for the major junction improvement on the A96 West Road at or near the north end of Wittet Drive with no right out of Wittet Drive onto the A96 and traffic being diverted elsewhere. The amendment was seconded by Councillor Paul.

Prior to moving to the vote Councillor Cree sought clarification as to the competency of the amendment and it was agreed to adjourn the meeting to obtain a ruling on the competency of the amendment.

On the resumption of the meeting the Chairman advised that having obtained advice from the Chief Legal Officer he ruled the amendment not competent on the grounds that proposals for the road network enhancements including the western distributor road had been in the public domain for a considerable time and had always included the requirement for the demolition of properties.

Thereafter Councillor G McDonald moved, as an amendment, to defer consideration of the proposals in order to allow the Council's Transportation Section the opportunity to consider the alternative proposals put forward by Councillor Divers in his proposed amendment.

A McEachan, Principal Solicitor (Commercial & Conveyancing) advised the meeting that there had been numerous deferrals of this matter and opportunities for such matters to be raised and the fact that another alternative has been raised at the last minute is not constructive to the whole process and a strategic decision required to be taken rather than deferral.

Clarification was sought on the competency of Councillor McDonald's amendment and on the request of the Chairman the Chief Legal Officer/Acting Chief Executive joined the meeting. On considering the terms of the amendment the Chief Legal Officer advised the meeting that, in his opinion, the substance of the amendment was, effectively, the same as Councillor Divers's amendment and given that that amendment was ruled not competent then his advice to the meeting was that Councillor McDonald's amendment would also have to be ruled not competent. He also advised the meeting, in his role as Acting Chief Executive, that the meeting, on behalf of the Council, requires taking a major strategic decision for the reasons set out in the report.

On the advice of the Chief Legal Officer the Chairman ruled that amendment not competent. There being no other competent amendments the motion became the finding of the meeting and it was agreed:-

- (i) to note the new information contained in the report regarding commitments in the Local Plan and the economic indicators, and approves the Inner Urban Route with a new bridge crossing the railway and a major junction improvement on the A96 West Road, at or near the north end of Wittet Drive, using Wittet Drive as the route of the future improved Elgin Western Distributor Road;

- (ii) that further more detailed appraisal work, including land survey work, should be carried out by Jacobs consultants and internal staff on the junction options for joining the Western Distributor Road to the A96 West Road; and
- (iii) that a report be submitted to the next meeting of this the next meeting of this Committee with a recommendation for a specific junction arrangement for the Elgin Western Distributor Road and the A96 West Road based on the results of the appraisal work.

Several members requested their dissent recorded however, in terms of Standing Order 66, this could not be minuted as no vote had taken place.

On the conclusion of this item Councillor McIntyre left the meeting and Councillor Leadbitter rejoined the meeting.

5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUDGET & PROPOSALS 2011/12

There was submitted a report by the Head of Development Services providing the Committee with an overview of committed funding from the Economic Development budget for 2011/12, details of which were set out in Section 3 of the report and Appendix 1 to the report. The report also contained a summary of proposals for this and the forthcoming financial year, details of which were set out in section 4 of the report and in Appendix 2 to the report.

Following discussion, during which officers responded to members questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (i) to note the commitment from the budget for 2011/12 to date;
- (ii) to approve the development work towards achieving the outputs & outcomes towards the emerging Economic Development Strategy and the Elgin City for the Future Study;
- (iii) to approve to the following proposals
 - Business Gateway, Service Level Agreement of £239,056 for 2011/12
 - For The Moray Council as a port authority for Buckie to be represented at the Offshore Renewables: All Energy 2012 event at a contribution of £3,000
 - To create a Film Locations Database at a cost of £1,725
 - Contribute £2,000 towards a Tomintoul Master Plan
 - Visit Scotland, Partnership Agreement of £30,000 for 2011, with a part transfer of the service to the Libraries & Museums Services of £9,435 for 2011/12

- Contribute £25,000 for a ‘New Seasonal Tourism’ Partnership ERDF project for 2011/12 , 2012/13 and 2013/14
 - Elgin Heritage Trail – Castle, Cathedral to Cashmere £20,000 towards development cost
 - Contribute £35,000 towards a series of major Pipe Band Championships over a four years period
- (iv) to recommend to the Full Council that The Moray Council formally become a member of the Elgin Chamber of Commerce.
- (v) to approve the submission of appropriate external funding applications in order to match any of the Council’s contribution;
- (vi) that recommendations which impact on budget planning beyond 2011/12 are referred to Policy and Resources Committee for approval;
- (vii) that a detailed report of the Cathedral project be submitted to a future meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee;
- (viii) that Members should notify the Principal Officer (Economic Development) of any specific projects they would wish considered for inclusion in the rural action plan; and
- (ix) that the budget for attendance at the Offshore Renewables All Energy 2012 event should include provision for appropriate literature on the possibilities for Moray to be distributed at the event.

6. THE MORAY ECONOMIC STRATEGY AND ELGIN – CITY REGION FOR THE FUTURE : ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ON FINAL REPORTS

Under reference to Paragraph 3 (iv) of the Minute of the special meeting of this Committee dated 14 June 2011 there was submitted a report by the Head of Development Services inviting the Committee to consider proposed measures for undertaking wider community engagement on the Final Draft Reports on “The Moray Economic Strategy” and “Elgin-City Region for the Future and make a recommendation thereon to a special meeting of the Moray Community Planning Board to be held on 30 June 2011. There was also tabled at the meeting, as Appendix 1 to the report, a draft list of key people and organisations to be included in the community engagement exercise.

During discussion the meeting noted the proposals for community engagement would be based on the format of the Council's budget consultation exercise with workshops as opposed to seminars and that any suggestions, other than those referred to at the meeting, for other key people and/or organisations to be included in the draft list tabled at the meeting should be forwarded to the Clerk to the Committee. In regard to consideration being given to combining the reports into one overarching document the meeting noted that the Elgin study would comprise of three parts. The first part being an Executive Summary & Action Plan, the second part being the Technical Report into which the Action Plan has been replicated and the third part being the Masterplan which is the visuals for the proposals for Elgin. The Moray Economic Strategy is now one single document into which a summary has been inserted.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to recommend to the Moray Community Planning Board on 30 June 2011:-

- (i) the proposed measures for undertaking wider community engagement on the Final Reports on both 'The Moray Economic Strategy' and 'Elgin – City Region For The Future' project as set out in Section 3.3 of this report, subject to replacing the references to seminars to workshops; and
- (ii) the draft list of key people and organisations circulated to Members prior to the meeting, subject to the inclusion of other appropriate bodies/organisations to be notified to the Clerk to the Committee.

7. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES 2011/12

There was submitted a joint report by the Head of Development Services & the Head of Direct Services seeking approval of Service Improvement priorities for the Economic Development and Infrastructure Service in 2011/12, details of which were appended to the report. The meeting noted that the proposals reflect priorities for action identified within the Single Outcome Agreement and the Corporate Plan. They also reflect the commitment of the Council to the Designing Better Services (DBS) Programme and that Services will be implementing the Designing Better Services core projects during 2011/12.

Prior to considering the report the Chairman advised the meeting that of a correction on page 12 of the report under 'Expected Outcomes/Success Criteria' that the correct timescale for items 1 & 2 was 31 March 2012.

During discussion and in regard to renewable and associated harbour developments concern was expressed in regard to recently announced multi million pound investment by HIE in infrastructure required for this emerging section in Caithness and Orkney which is in direct completion to Moray and in particular to Buckie. The meeting noted that officers were aware of the issues and were taking steps to increase the profile of Buckie and Moray in this field hence the inclusion as a service improvement priority. The meeting also noted the Moray Economic Strategy has identified Buckie as an area for attention and officers would be working with HIE to secure appropriate investment.

In regard to flood alleviation schemes the meeting noted that a response had been received from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Employment and Sustainable Growth in the Scottish Government to the Convener's letter of 1 June 2011 confirming the capital funding for the Elgin Scheme and that the Government will also meet 50% of the cost above £64m up to a maximum of £7.6m. He had also confirmed the previous arrangements in respect of the Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Flood Alleviation Scheme which will now become part of the Government's spending review which is due to be published in September 2011. In the interim the Convener has written to CoSLA demanding discussions on how it will take Moray's case forward with the Scottish Government.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to:-

- (i) approve the Service Improvement priorities for 2011/12; and
- (ii) note that performance will be reported to Committee on a quarterly basis during 2011/12.

8. FUTURE OF ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION IN THE NORTH OF SCOTLAND : CONSULTATION WHITE PAPER

There was submitted a report by the Head of Development Services summarising Scottish & Southern Energy's consultation paper on "Keeping the lights on and supporting growth" and inviting the Committee to note the report and, given the deadline for responses was 20 June 2011, homologate a response prepared by the Planning & Development Manager, a copy of which was appended to the report as Appendix 1.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to:-

- (i) note the content of the Scottish and Southern Energy White Paper; and
- (ii) homologate the qualified support that has been indicated on behalf of the Council to the proposals.

9. CORE PATHS PLAN

Under reference to Paragraph 8 of the Minute of this Committee dated 8 December 2009 there was submitted a report by the Head of Development Services seeking approval for the Finalised Version of the Moray Core Paths Plan to become the Formally Adopted Plan, subject to the recommended modifications contained in the Local Inquiry Report from the Scottish Government Directorate of Planning & Environment Appeals.

On the invitation of the Chairman Councillor Murdoch, who is not a member of the Committee, and in her capacity as the Council's representative on the Moray Local Outdoor Access Forum (LOAF) paid tribute to the work of the Moray Access Manager and past and present members of LOAF for their work on the production of the Moray Core Paths Plan and enquired as to the possibility of including reference to the core paths in the Tomintoul and Glenlivet areas of Moray, which are covered by the Core Paths Plan for the Cairngorms National Park, in the finalised Version of the Moray Core Paths Plan. She also sought clarification as to how costings were arrived at for hard copies of the Plan. The meeting noted that whilst Moray's Core Path Plan should only cover the area which Moray has a statutory responsibility cross border links have been included shown in different colours. It was also noted however that officers, in consultation with LOAF, will consider how best to promote the Plan, including the paths in the Moray area of the Cairngorms National Park area, as a useful guide for walkers and report further thereon to a future meeting. The meeting also noted that the £20 cost of a hard copy of the plan covers the basic cost of printing and it had been agreed that it be made available at a reasonable cost so as to encourage people to use it. It is also available on the Council's website free of charge.

Following consideration the Committee agreed:-

- (i) to approve the recommended modifications contained in the report dated 9 December 2010 from the Scottish Government Directorate of Planning and Environmental Appeals arising from the Local Inquiry into the Moray Core Paths Plan;
- (ii) that the Finalised Version of the Plan be formally accepted as the Adopted Moray Core Paths Plan;
- (iii) to note that a report will be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee on how best to promote the Plan, including the paths in the Moray area of the Cairngorms National Park area, as a useful guide for walkers; and
- (iv) that the Committee's appreciation of the work on the production of the Finalised Version of the Plan be conveyed to all concerned.

10. PROPOSED 30MPH SPEED LIMIT ORDER : U141E CARRON

There was submitted a report by the Head of Direct Services seeking Committee approval of the promotion of a 30mph speed limit restriction on the U141E within the settlement of Carron, as indicated in the schedule and plan appended to the report as Appendices 1 & 2 respectively.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to:-

- (i) approve the proposed Traffic Regulation Order to introduce a 30mph restriction of the U141E at Carron and instruct the Head of Direct Services and the Chief Legal Officer to proceed with the statutory process; and

- (ii) instruct the Head of Direct Services and the Chief Legal Officer to make and implement the Order if, following the consultation period, there are no outstanding objections.

11. PROPOSED SPEED LIMITS : FOCHABERS AND MOSSTODLOCH

There was submitted a report by the Head of Direct Services seeking Committee approval of the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order which will introduce an extended 30 mph limit within Fochabers, currently designated as A98 which will be re-numbered B9104. The report also invited the Committee to note the request from Transport Scotland for the Council to act as its Agent and promote Orders which will introduce 30 mph limits within Fochabers and Mosstodloch once the Fochabers/Mosstodloch Bypass is open and the existing A96 de-trunked. Details of the proposal were set out in the schedule and plans appended to the report as Appendices 1 & 2, respectively.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to:-

- (i) approve the proposed Traffic Regulation Order to introduce an extended 30 mph restriction on B9104 between Lennox Crescent and Fochabers East Roundabout and instruct the Head of Direct Services and Chief Legal Officer to proceed with the statutory process;
- (ii) instruct the Head of Direct Services and the Chief Legal Officer to make and implement the order if, following the consultation period, there are no outstanding objections
- (iii) note the request from Transport Scotland to act as its Agent to promote the 30 mph speed limit order on the A96 through Mosstodloch (which will be renumbered B9015) and through Fochabers (which will be renumbered B9104); and
- (iv) note the proposed re-numbering of the A96 and A98 through Fochabers and Mosstodloch.

12. PROPOSED 30MPH SPEED LIMIT ORDER : A940 GRANTOWN ROAD, FORRES

There was submitted a report by the Head of Direct Services seeking Committee approval of the promotion of a 30mph speed restriction to cover a newly created access to the residential development, Knockomie Meadows, on the A940 Grantown Road, Forres, details of which were set out in the schedule and plan appended to the report as Appendices 1 & 2, respectively. The meeting noted that the proposed restriction forms part of a planning condition placed upon the developer, Springfield Homes, as a result of a successful planning appeal on 16 September 2009

Following consideration the Committee agreed to-

- (i) approve the proposed Traffic Regulation Order to extend the existing 30mph restriction on A940 Grantown Road, Forres, to cover the access a new residential development, and instruct the Head of Direct Services and the Chief Legal Officer to proceed with the statutory process; and
- (ii) instruct the Head of Direct Services and the Chief Legal Officer to make and implement the order if, following the consultation period, there are no outstanding objections

13. PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER : ACADEMY STREET, ELGIN

There was submitted a report by the Head of Development Services seeking Committee approval of the promotion of a permanent Traffic Regulation Order on Academy Street, Elgin between Moray Street and Maida Place, as detailed in the schedule and plan appended to the report as Appendices 1 & 2, respectively. The meeting noted that the effect of the order will be to “Prohibit Motor Vehicles Except for Access”

Following consideration the Committee agreed to:-

- (i) approve the proposed Traffic Regulation Order which will “Prohibit Motor Vehicles Except for Access” on Academy Street between Moray Street and Maida Place and instruct the Head of Direct Services and the Chief Legal Officer to proceed with the statutory process; and
- (ii) instruct the Head of Direct Services and the Chief Legal Officer to make and implement the Order if, following the consultation period, there are no outstanding objections.

14. REVIEW OF PARKING STANDARDS : INTERIM UPDATE

Under reference to Paragraph 13 of the Minute of this Committee dated 8 March 2011 there was submitted a report by the Head of Direct Services seeking delegated authority, in consultation with the Chair and Deputy Chair of this Committee, to approve the implementation of the Town Centre Zero parking rates (town centres identified in the Moray Local Plan), at the end of the consultation period providing there is no negative responses.

The Head of Direct Services reported orally that on the closure of the consultation period of 20 June 2011 twelve responses had been received none of which were negative. Given that no negative responses had been received the Committee was requested to consider the implementation of the proposals as opposed to granting delegated authority.

Following consideration the Committee agreed:-

- (i) to approve the implementation of the Town Centre Zero Parking rates (town centres identified in the Moray Local Plan) following no adverse comments having been received to the consultation; and
- (ii) that a copy of the report be referred to the Planning & Regulatory Services Committee for its information.

On the determination of this item Councillor Hamilton left the meeting.

15. PROPOSED POLICY ON ROADSIDE SIGNING

Under reference to Paragraph 6 of the Minute of this Committee dated 15 June 2010 there was submitted a report by the Head of Direct Services providing an update on the recently concluded consultation process regarding the Roadside Signage policy. Details of comments received and the Transportation Section's responses thereto were set out in the Appendix 1 to the report. There was also appended to the report as Appendix 2 a copy of the proposed Roadside Signage Policy.

Following discussion the Committee agreed:-

- (i) to defer consideration of report to allow for consultation to take place with all 26 members of the Council and report further thereon to a future meeting of this Committee; and
- (ii) that Members be included on the mailing list when communities are being consulted on specific issues.

16. CAPITAL PLAN 2011/2012 : ROAD SAFETY AND CYCLING WALKING AND SAFER STREETS SCHEMES

There was submitted a report by the Head of Direct Services seeking Committee approval of the list of Road Safety and Cycling Walking and Safer Streets schemes to be funded from the 2011/2012 Capital Plan, details of which were set out Appendices 1 & 2 to the report.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to approve:-

- (i) the schemes identified in Appendix 1 to improve Road Safety; and
- (ii) the schemes identified in Appendix 2 as Cycling Walking and Safer Streets projects.

17. FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT (MINOR CAPITAL SCHEMES)

There was submitted a report by the Head of Direct Services inviting the Committee to note the latest position regarding the Flood Risk Management (Minor Capital Schemes) programme and the latest predicted final costs and sought approval of the reallocation of funds based on the latest predicted final costs, details of which were set out in Section 3 of the report.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to:

- (i) note the latest position regarding the Flood Risk Management (Minor Capital Schemes) programme and the latest predicted final costs; and
- (ii) approve the reallocation of funds based on the latest predicted final costs, as detailed in Section 3 of the report.

18. FLOODING IN SCOTLAND: A CONSULTATION ON POTENTIALLY VULNERABLE AREAS AND LOCAL PLAN DISTRICTS

During consideration of this item Councillor Coull left the meeting.

There was submitted a report by the Head of Direct Services seeking Committee approval of a draft response to the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency's consultation in relation to the Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009, "Flooding in Scotland : A consultation on potentially vulnerable areas and local plan districts. A copy of the draft response was set out in Appendix 1 to the report.

During discussion concerns were expressed in regard to the implications of identified Potentially Vulnerable Areas (PVAs) will have on proprietors and residents of these areas in terms of insurance.

Following consideration the Committee agreed:-

- (i) to note the implications of the topic of the consultation document and agree the Council's response as set out in Appendix 1, subject to the inclusion of a reference to the potential implications for insurance;
- (ii) to note that lead authorities have to be agreed amongst councils in each local plan district; and
- (iii) that Members be kept informed as matters progress

19. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY FOR THE FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2009

There was submitted a report by the Head of Direct Services seeking Committee approval of a strategy for implementing the provisions of the Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009 (the Act), a copy of which was appended to the report as Appendix1. The report also advised that further reports will be submitted to the appropriate Committee(s) on specific proposals.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to:-

- (i) approve the Implementation Strategy for the Act, as detailed in the report and the Executive Summary appended to the report as Appendix 1;
- (ii) receive further reports on specific proposals including cost and staffing implications once there is sufficient further Scottish Government guidance available and management arrangements have been finalised; and
- (iii) note that further reports on specific proposals including cost and staffing implications will be submitted within the Council's financial planning framework once there is sufficient further Scottish Government guidance available and management arrangements have been finalised.

20. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS QUARTER 4 : 1 JANUARY TO 31 MARCH 2011

There was submitted a report by the Head of Direct Services providing the Committee with an outline of performance of the Direct Services Section of Environmental Services for the period 1 January to 31 March 2011. There was also appended to the report as Appendix 1 details of the Revenue budget for the period April 2010 to March 2011 and capital projects that have slipped or been postponed and have been completed this financial year during quarter 4 2010/2011.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to note the performance outlined in the report and the actions being taken to seek improvements and revise targets where required.

21. QUESTION TIME

There were no questions asked.

22. LETTING OF FISHERY AT MILLBUIES LOCH FOGWATT ELGIN [PARA 9]

Under reference to Paragraph 30 of the Minute of this Committee dated 8 March 2011 there was submitted a report by the Head of Housing & Property advising the Committee of the outcome of the marketing of the fishery at Millbuies Loch, Millbuies Country Park, Elgin on commercial terms following the closure of the service.

Suspension of Standing Orders.

During discussion the meeting agreed to Suspend Standing Order 76 and conclude the business on the Agenda prior to breaking for lunch.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to defer consideration of the report for further information on the terms of the marketing of the fishery and the business plans on the proposals received.

**23. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REVENUE BUDGET: QUARTER
MONITORING REPORT FOR TRADING ACCOUNTS [PARA 6]**

There was submitted a report by the Services informing Committee of the progress of Trading Accounts against revenue budgetary targets for the financial year during the period.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to note the position of the Trading Operations for the period 1 April 2010 to 31 March 2011, as detailed in the report.