MINUTES of MEETING of ENVIRONMENT, DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE held ON A HYBRID BASIS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD AND BY MICROSOFT TEAMS on THURSDAY, 2 MARCH 2023

Present: Councillor Andrew Kain (Chair)

Councillor John Armour
Councillor Jan Brown
Councillor Garret Corner
Councillor Mark Irvine
Councillor Donald Kelly
Councillor Jim Lynch
Councillor Jan MacQuire
Councillor Luna Martin
Councillor Ross Moreland
Councillor William Sinclair
Councillor Andrew Vennard
Councillor Peter Wallace

Councillor Tommy MacPherson

Attending: Kirsty Flanagan, Executive Director

Jim Smith, Head of Roads and Infrastructure Services

Fergus Murray, Head of Development and Economic Growth

Stuart McLean, Committee Manager

Hugh O'Neill, Network and Standards Manager

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Robin Currie.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee held on 1 December 2022 were approved as a correct record.

Councillor Luna Martin joined the meeting during the consideration of the following item of business.

4. ROADS RECONSTRUCTION CAPITAL PROGRAMME

The Committee gave consideration to a report providing details on the proposed roads reconstruction programme for 2023/24. The programme was based on the 2023/24 allocation of a total of £8.0M, which included £754k brought forward from 2022/23.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee –

- 1. endorsed the proposed programme of capital works for 2023/24;
- 2. agreed that details of each area committee's programme would be forwarded on to individual Elected Members:

3. noted that following the budget decision on 23 February 2023, a programme of footway works would be presented to a future meeting of the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure dated February 2023, submitted)

5. ANNUAL STATUS AND OPTIONS REPORT 2022

The Committee gave consi

9. CARDROSS CREMATORIUM INSPECTION

The Committee gave consideration to a report presenting the findings of a recent inspection of Cardross Crematorium.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee endorsed the findings of the inspection on Cardross Crematorium.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated February 2023, submitted)

10. PLAY PARK FUNDING - UPDATE REPORT

The Committee gave consideration to a report outlining a suggested process and timelines for proposing further engagement with other groups, including youth forums and relevant Community Councils in relation to the Play Park Funding Award of £938k which had been awarded by the Scottish Government for the 28 play parks being renewed in Argyll and Bute until 2025/26.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee -

- 1. noted that Area Committee Business Days were underway, where officers were engaging with Elected Members; and
- 2. agreed the proposed timeline as set out in section 4.4 of the submitted report.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated February 2023, submitted)

11. FILM IN ARGYLL - SCREEN INDUSTRIES UPDATE REPORT

The Committee gave consideration to a report providing an update of the work of the

12. TRANSFORMATIONAL PROJECTS & REGENERATION TEAM - LARGE SCALE PROJECT UPDATE REPORT

The Committee gave consideration to a report providing an update on progress of the large scale, externally funded project work of the Transformational Projects and Regeneration Team. The report highlighted key issues that could impact on the successful delivery of projects.

Decision

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee noted the current progress detailed within the submitted report.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth dated 9 January 2023, submitted)

13. STRATEGIC TRANSPORT PROJECTS REVIEW 2 (STPR2) - OUTCOMES

The Strategic Transport Projects Review (STPR2) was developed to inform transport investment in Scotland for the next 20 years (2022-2042). The final STPR2 was published o