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CUSTOMER SERVICES

21 APRIL 2016

CASTLE TOWARD – RECOMMENDATION FROM PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Performance Review and Scrutiny (PRS) Committee have produced a report on Castle Toward which was agreed by them at their meeting held on 25 February 2016. The report is presented to Council for consideration.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 Council is requested to consider the contents of the report and the recommendations contained therein which is attached as Appendix 2:

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 At the PRS Committee meeting 26 February 2015 it was agreed to accept the request by Councillors Marshall and Dance to consider the Council decision to reject the offer of the Castle Toward estate by the SCCDC under the terms of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003.
- 3.2 The PRS Committee undertook scrutiny of the Council's decision making process in relation to the community right to buy application in respect of Castle Toward submitted by South Cowal Community Development Company (SCCDC).
- 3.3 At the meeting held on 25 February 2016, the PRS Committee considered a report which had been produced by the Committee following this scrutiny process and agreed the following recommendation:-

The Committee approved the report and the recommendations contained therein for submission to the next meeting of Council for consideration.

4.0 CONCLUSION

4.1 Following a review of the decision of the Council in relation to the community right to buy application of Castle Toward, the PRS Committee has produced a report which makes comment on the decision and makes a number of recommendations. Council is asked to consider the contents of the report and the recommendations contained therein.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Policy Some change to policy may be required if the recommendations in the report are accepted and implemented.
- 5.2 Financial None
- 5.3 Legal None
- 5.4 HR None
- 5.5 Equalities None
- 5.6 Risk None
- 5.7 Customer Service None

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APPENDICES

- Appendix 1 Extract Minute of Meeting of Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee held on 25 February 2016.
- Appendix 2 Castle Toward Report approved by Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee at the meeting held on 25 February 2016.