MINUTES of SPECIAL MEETING of POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE held IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD AND BY MICROSOFT TEAMS on WEDNESDAY, 24 JUNE 2026

Present: Councillor Jim Lynch (Chair)

Councillor John Armour
Councillor Gordon Blair
Councillor Kieron Green
Councillor Luna Martin
Councillor Dougie McFadzean
Councillor Ross Moreland
Councillor Gary Mulvaney
Councillor Dougie Philand
Councillor William Sinclair
Councillor Peter Wallace

Also Present: Councillor Maurice Corry

Attending: Pippa Milne, Chief Executive
Douglas Hendry, Executive Director
Kirsty Flanagan, Executive Director
David Logan, Head of Legal and Regulatory Support
Ross McLaughlin, Head of Commercial Services
David Allan, Estates and Property Development Manager
Shona Barton, Governance Manager

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Math Campbell-Sturgess, Amanda Hampsey, Andrew Kain, Reeni Kennedy-Boyle and Yvonne McNeilly.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

Councillor John Armour left the meeting during consideration of the following item of business.

3. HELENSBURGH WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT (COMMERCIAL AREA) - UPDATE

On 15 August 2024, the Policy and Resources Committee authorised officers to proceed with negotiations to agree detailed Heads of Terms with Forrest Developments Ltd in advance of a potential sale of the Helensburgh Waterfront commercial area. Following this, Helensburgh Community Council submitted a petition for Judicial Review of the proposed sale, which was decided in the Council's favour on 19 November 2025. In the intervening period, a number of additional issues were also resolved.

The Committee gave consideration to a report providing an update on the current position along with recommendations from the Council's legal advisers.

Decision

The Policy and Resources Committee –

1. noted the outcome of the Judicial Review and the progress that had been made addressing the other outstanding issues to progress the sale and development of the site;

2. noted that the Council's legal advisers had identified actions required as part of the legal due diligence process; and

3. agreed that officers carry out a consultation in terms of section 104 of the Community Empowerment Act 2015 and report the outcome of this back to a future Policy & Resources Committee.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Commercial Services dated 17 June 2026, submitted)