

LEADERSHIP PANEL (SPECIAL).

Minutes of special meeting in County Buildings, Wellington Square, Ayr,
on 11th December 2018 at 3.30 p.m.

Present: Councillors Douglas Campbell (Chair), Ian Cochrane, Julie Dettbarn, William Grant, Peter Henderson, Brian McGinley and Philip Saxton.

Attending: E. Howat, Chief Executive; C. Caves, Head of Regulatory Services; S. Turner and K. Braidwood, Ayrshire Roads Alliance; and Inspector G. Dinnie and Constable M. Murray, Police Scotland.

1. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest by Members of the Panel in terms of Council Standing Order No. 17 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

Environment.

2. Call-in for Alloway to Burton Underpass Link.

Reference was made to the Minutes of the Audit and Governance Panel of 6th December 2018 (Page 1, paragraph 2) when that Panel had considered the terms of a call-in from the Leadership Panel of 27th November 2018 (Page 3, paragraph 8) in relation to the Alloway to Burton Underpass Link.

It was noted that the Audit and Governance Panel had agreed, following discussion and review, to remit the report back to this Panel for further consideration, on the basis that the Audit and Governance Panel supported the recommendation in the report presented to the Leadership Panel on 27th November 2018.

Following discussion and having heard representation from the Ayrshire Roads Alliance and Police Scotland, the Panel

Decided: to agree

- (1) that the recommendations of Ayrshire Roads Alliance in conjunction with Police Scotland, be approved as follows:-

“that the Alloway to Burton underpass link be taken forward as part of the overall ARA Road Improvement Plan for the forthcoming financial year (2019/20), which would consist of the following:

- (a) submit an application to planning with a view to obtaining planning consent during the current financial year;
- (b) pursue external grant award funding for the forthcoming financial year (2019/20) to undertake enabling works in the form of site clearance and the diversion of existing public utilities apparatus in the vicinity of the proposed underpass;
- (c) engage with external funders to secure provisional funding to complete this project in 2020/21;

- (d) upon successfully securing grant award monies, programme and implement the site clearance and public utility apparatus diversions during the forthcoming financial year (2019/20); and
 - (e) prepare a detailed programme for the construction of the underpass link during the 2020/21 financial year, to be delivered subject to securing external capital funding”; and
- (2) that, in the interim, measures be put in place to remind road users, cyclists and pedestrians of the forthcoming road crossing, namely the erection of signs on the A719 Dunure Road and cyclepath and that road markings in the area of the current crossing be refreshed.

The meeting ended at 3.38 p.m.