

#### **F44. BUSINESS SUPPORT – UPDATE**

In terms of the Council's Scheme of Delegation, this item had been called in to Council by Councillors Oliver, Coleman and Bird.

With reference to the Minute of the Meeting held on 20 June 2012 (Paragraph FC19 refers), there was submitted (circulated) (a) Extract of Minute of Meeting of the Economic, Strategy and Development Committee held on 18 September 2012, and (b) Report by the Director of Development Services to the said meeting advising on preparations made for implementing the new business support service on 1 October 2012.

Councillor D Goldie, seconded by Councillor Blackwood, moved the recommendations as set out in the report.

By way of an amendment, Councillor Oliver, seconded by Councillor Bird, moved the following in addition to the recommendations in the report that:-

“officers will report back to Full Council an update on the Business Support service in March 2013.”

Councillor Meiklejohn gave notice of a further amendment.

On a division, 15 members voted for the amendment and 16 voted for the motion.

The motion was accordingly carried, against which by way of a further amendment, Councillor Meiklejohn, seconded by Councillor Jackson, moved that:-

“Council continues consideration of this item pending clarification of the information being considered by Internal Audit.”

On a division, 15 members voted for the amendment and 16 members voted for the motion.”

Accordingly **AGREED** to receive a further report on the operation of the Business Service and on proposals for the future development of the service.