

## **EX59. REVIEW OF THE OPEN SPACE STRATEGY AND PARKS DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The Executive considered a report by the Director of Development Services presenting a draft Open Space Strategy and Parks Development Plan.

The Executive established a policy development panel on 19 August 2014 (ref EX45) to review the Open Space Strategy and Parks Development Plan. The report summarised the work of the panel, which comprised Councillors Mahoney (chair), Blackwood and McLuckie, highlighting, in particular, the significant amendments suggested by the panel. A revised document was presented which set out 14 strategic proposals under the following four key themes:-

- modernising the parks and open spaces;
- addressing inequality and fostering community through open space investment;
- working and investing more efficiently; and
- generating capital and revenue for investment in parks and open space.

The panel had recommended that the draft document is, subject to Executive approval, issued for public comment.

### **Decision**

**The Executive agreed to:-**

- (1) instruct officers to publish the consultative draft Open Space Strategy and Parks Development Plan and to carry out a public consultation, and**
- (2) instruct officers to report the findings of the public consultation and present a finalised Open Space Strategy and Parks Development Plan which has been amended to address issues raised during the consultation to a future meeting.**