## EX66. PROPOSED CARRONSHORE BRIDGE - ACQUISITION OF LAND

The Executive considered a report by the Director of Development Services seeking authority to promote Compulsory Purchase Orders to acquire land for a pedestrian/cycle bridge in Carronshore.

The Executive agreed on 17 March 2015 (ref EX145) the River Carron Connection project which includes the proposal for a pedestrian/cycle bridge in the Carronshore area.

The report summarised negations between the Council, the Dawson Trust and Scottish Water in regard to the purchase of land required to construct the bridge and recommended the use of Compulsory Purchase Order powers to acquire the land.

Councillor C Martin, seconded by Councillor Dr C R Martin, moved that the Executive agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Following discussion, Councillor Alexander proposed that, in addition, the Executive calls for a meeting of interested parties, including local elected members to understand the reason for the blockage.

Councillor C Martin, as mover of the motion and Convener, and with the consent of Councillor Dr C R Martin, as his seconder, agreed to adjust his motion to incorporate Councillors Alexander's proposed addendum.

## **Decision**

## The Executive agreed:-

- (1) the promotion of Compulsory Purchase Orders under the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 and/or the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 for the acquisition of the land ownership interests outlined in the report as shown on the plan attached to the report and subsequent referral to the Scottish Ministers, for the consultation of the Carronshore Bridge; and
- (2) to call for a meeting of interested parties, including local members, to understand the reasons for the blockage.