

**RECORD OF VOTES TAKEN AT THE MEETING OF FALKIRK COUNCIL
ON WEDNESDAY 11 MAY 2016**

Councillors in attendance:

David Alexander	Tom Coleman	Brian McCabe	Alan Nimmo
David Balfour	Paul Garner	John McLuckie	Martin Oliver
Stephen Bird	Dennis Goldie	Adrian Mahoney	Joan Paterson
Allyson Black	Gerry Goldie	Craig Martin	John Patrick
Jim Blackwood	Linda Gow	Dr Craig R Martin	Robert Spears
William Buchanan	Gordon Hughes	Cecil Meiklejohn	Pat Reid
Steven Carleschi	Steven Jackson	Rosie Murray	Ann Ritchie
Colin Chalmers	Charles MacDonald	Malcolm Nicol	Sandy Turner

Agenda Item: 7	Subject: ASSET RATIONALISATION: COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS AND REPLACEMENT TOWN HALL PROJECT	
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MOTION

Council agrees that:

- (1) consideration of the proposal for a new Council HQ, as part of the asset rationalisation programme, be continued to await clarification of future local government funding and clarification of the implications arising from the recent announcement of a review of Scottish local government structures;
- (2) Falkirk requires a modern art centre, and
- (3) however, with such a tight timescale and the questions surrounding the possibility of external funding the proposal to site this centre of Forth Valley College does not proceed, and that a more detailed investigation of other options in Falkirk Town Centre, including the existing site is conducted.

Moved by: C Martin

Seconded by: J Paterson

AMENDMENT

Council agrees:-

- (1) to note the current progress on the office HQ Project and content of the business case for the replacement Town Hall/Arts Centre;
- (2) to note the outcome of the updated review of the earlier options appraisal exercise and accepts that all options have still not been fully explored and the need to taking cognisance of public opinion;
- (3) that officers are instructed to cancel current office HQ Project and prepare a project plan and costs for refurbishing the existing municipal buildings over the next 5 years including the relocation of other services within the Municipal Buildings thus reducing the reliance on leased property;
- (4) not to take forward the relocation of the Town Hall to the site of the new Forth Valley College as it does not meet best value;
- (5) that recognising the value of the diverse range of Arts groups that use the existing facility, officers are instructed to establish a user based task force to inform on a design a specification and officers to develop associated costs for the refurbishment of the existing Town Hall Facility, and
- (6) to request that a progress report is submitted to the September meeting of Council.

Moved by: C Meiklejohn
Seconded by: S Jackson

VOTE

For the motion (16)

P Reid	J McLuckie
J Patrick	A Mahoney
J Blackwood	C Martin
B Buchanan	Dr C R Martin
D Goldie	R Murray
G Goldie	M Nicol
L Gow	A Nimmo
C McDonald	J Paterson

For the amendment (15)

D Alexander	S Jackson
D Balfour	B McCabe
S Bird	C Meiklejohn
S Carleschi	M Oliver
C Chalmers	A Ritchie
T Coleman	R Spears
P Garner	S Turner
G Hughes	

Abstention (1) A Black

DECISION: Motion carried

Notes

1. This voting record is subject to approval of the formal minute at the next meeting of Council on 30 June 2016.
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