

FALKIRK COUNCIL

EXTRACT OF MINUTE of MEETING of the POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE held in the MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, FALKIRK on TUESDAY 11 MARCH 2008 at 10.30 a.m.

PR116. FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND

There was submitted joint Report (circulated) dated 23 January 2008 by the Directors of Community Services, of Corporate and Commercial Services, of Education Services and of Housing and Social Work Services (a) providing information on the Fairer Scotland Fund which has been created by the Scottish Government with the aim of tackling poverty and deprivation across Scotland; and (b) advising that this Fund replaces the Community Regeneration Fund and other Challenge Fund streams such as Working for Families.

Councillor Gow, seconded by Councillor Nimmo moved that Committee **AGREES:-**

- (1) to note the detail of the Scottish Government's Fairer Scotland Fund and the principles of the Fund; and
- (2) to note the transition arrangements and implications of the existing funds which have been absorbed into the new Fairer Scotland Fund;
- (3) that proposals for the allocation of the Fairer Scotland Fund be brought back to a future meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee; and
- (4) to approve the allocation of additional funding to projects currently supported through the Community Regeneration Fund set out in paragraph 3.10 of the Report amounting to c£212,698.

By way of an Amendment, Councillor Alexander, seconded by Councillor Kenna moved that Officers bring back to Committee a Report on the areas not being funded with more details of where alternative funding is being sought from and the timetable for these.

Councillor Kenna gave notice of a further Amendment.

On a division, 4 Members voted for the Motion and 4 voted for the Amendment.

There being an equality of votes, and in terms of Standing Order 21.6, the Convener used her casting vote in favour of the Motion.

The Motion thereby became the substantive motion on which the notice of further Amendment could be moved.

By way of further Amendment, Councillor Kenna, seconded by Councillor Alexander moved that Committee support the projects not recommended for funding for an additional quarter until the matter is reported back to Committee in June 2008 with move details.

On a division, 4 Members voted for the substantive Motion and 4 voted for the further Amendment.

There being an equality of votes, and in terms of Standing Order 21.6, the Convener used her casting vote in favour of the substantive Motion.

Accordingly, **RESOLVED** in terms of the substantive Motion.