## **FALKIRK COUNCIL**

EXTRACT OF MINUTE of MEETING of the ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE held in the MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, FALKIRK on TUESDAY 15 APRIL 2008 at 10.30 a.m.

## EH8. PROGRESS REPORT ON DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK FOR THE FORMER RSNH SITE, LARBERT

With reference to Minute of Meeting of Falkirk Council held on 8 December 2004 (Paragraph FC32(b) refers), there was submitted Report (circulated) by the Director of Development Services dated 8 April 2008 advising on (a) the RSNH Development Framework; (b) progress on development of the Forth Valley Acute Hospital; (c) the wider estate on the site; (d) future long term management of the site; and (e) the offer of a site visit to Members by NHS Forth Valley.

Discussion took place on the following:-

- Infrastructure projects in the Larbert area
- Open space provision in Larbert

Councillor Mahoney, seconded by Councillor C R Martin, moved that the Committee:-

- (1) notes the progress that has been made in implementing the RSNH Development Framework;
- (2) awaits the submission of the formal master plan for the residual estate at RSNH; and
- (3) makes arrangements for Members to visit the RSNH site.

By way of an amendment, Councillor Coleman, seconded by Councillor Carleschi, moved that recommendation (2) of the Officer's Report be changed to read as follows:-

"awaits the submission of the formal master plan for the residual estate at RSNH to include Option 3 as the preferred community option and further that the Committee instructs Officers to work with the Community Council and local Members towards developing Larbert House for affordable housing through the means of a community enterprise project".

Following a short recess and with the consent of his seconder, Councillor Mahoney altered the text of his Motion in accordance with Standing Order 19.7 in respect of recommendation (2) to read as follows:-

"awaits the submission of the formal master plan for the residual estate at RSNH and instructs Officers to ask NHS Forth Valley to consider Option 3 for an urban park and moreover to consider inclusion of an affordable housing element within the Larbert House development as part of the master plan".

On a division, the Motion defeated the Amendment by 6 votes to 5 and accordingly, **AGREED** in terms of the Motion.