

RECORD OF VOTES TAKEN AT THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE ON TUESDAY 15 MAY 2018

Councillors in attendance:

David Alexander	Paul Garner	James Kerr
Robert Bissett	Dennis Goldie	Malcolm Nicol
Gary Bouse	Nigel Harris	Alan Nimmo
Joan Coombes	Gordon Hughes	Cecil Meiklejohn

Agenda Item: 10

Subject: Strategic Property Review – Review of Office Accommodation

Motion

The Executive agrees:-

- (1) to rationalise the Council's front and back office accommodation as proposed in the report;
- (2) that the office rationalisation programme identified in para 6.3 of the report be agreed to enable delivery of the Council's future office accommodation with further work to be reported back to the Executive for decision;
- (3) that a more detailed option appraisal exercise be undertaken on sites at the Municipal Buildings, Grahamston and Callander Square to provide recommendations on a preferred solution and location for the civic headquarters and arts centre. This should also include a decoupling of the Office accommodation and the Arts centre, with exploration of the refurbishment of the existing council owned sites such as Abbotsford House and the Falkirk Stadium to accommodate modern and flexible working practices increasing capacity. Options for an Arts and Civic Centre be treated as a separate project from office accommodation and the specification and capacity requirements adjusted accordingly. Recommendations to be brought back on preferred solution and location;
- (4) to proceed in the interim with:
 - (a). delivery of front-facing office accommodation on a 'spend to save' basis as suggested in para. 4.6 of the report
 - (b). fitting out of the vacant office space at the Falkirk Community Stadium for resilience purposes at a cost of £1m, to be funded from Strategic Property Review funds contained in the general services capital programme, and
- (5) to conduct an appraisal of suitable town centre sites for disposal to assist with delivery of the civic HQ project and arts centre.

Moved by: Councillor C Meiklejohn

Seconded by: Councillor G Bouse

Amendment

The Executive agrees to:-

- (1) reject the proposed refurbishment of Abbotsford House and the Falkirk Community Stadium, and
- (2) continue consideration of the remaining matters to the meeting of the Executive on 14 August 2018 to allow the Administration to formulate proposals on the HQ replacement.

Moved by: Councillor D Goldie

Seconded by: Councillor A Nimmo

VOTE

For the motion (5)

D Alexander	G Hughes
G Bouse	C Meiklejohn
P Garner	

For the amendment (7)

R Bissett	J Kerr
J Coombes	M Nicol
D Goldie	A Nimmo
N Harris	

Decision: Amendment carried.

Notes

1. This voting record is subject to approval of the formal minute at the next meeting of the Executive on 12 June 2018.
2. Only those items where a vote was taken are recorded here. For information about decisions reached on any other items considered at this meeting, please contact Jack Frawley, 01324 506116.