

AGENDA ITEM 8 (i)

FALKIRK COUNCIL

EXTRACT OF MINUTE of MEETING of the LEISURE, TOURISM AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE held in the MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, FALKIRK on TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2009 at 9.30 A.M.

LTC26. THE PARK GALLERY

There was submitted Report (circulated) dated 25 August 2009 by the Director of Community Services on future options in relation to the operation of the Park Gallery, Falkirk.

Discussion included the importance of safeguarding the facility for art, artists, the public and for the cultural development of the Falkirk Council area.

Councillor Mahoney, seconded by Provost Reid, moved that the Park Gallery be relocated to Callendar House, Falkirk by the end of April 2010.

By way of an Amendment, Councillor Meiklejohn, seconded by Councillor Coleman, moved the following:-

‘It is recognised that the Park Gallery has provided a focal point for both high profile nationally renowned and local artists to display their works and enable local people to interact with them particularly through the educational programme. This is demonstrated in the increased visitor numbers in 2009/10, including visitors from outwith Falkirk District.

In addition it is acknowledged that the Park Gallery adds value to the facilities within Callendar Park, all of which are independent, the loss of any one could significantly impact on the others. Therefore there should be no downgrading of the Park Gallery and the current regime be retained.’

In terms of Standing Order 21.4(i) a vote was taken by way of a roll call, there being 11 members present with Members voting, as undernoted:-

For the Motion (7) - Provost Reid; Councillors Buchanan, Lemetti, C MacDonald, McLuckie, Mahoney and Nicol.

For the Amendment (4) - Councillors Meiklejohn, Coleman, J Constable and McNally.

Accordingly, **AGREED** that the Park Gallery be relocated to Callendar House, Falkirk by the end of April 2010.