

FC60. NOTICES OF MOTION

Proposed Railway Stations

Councillor Coleman, seconded by Councillor A MacDonald moved that:-

“In response to the positive results of the public consultations on the proposed railway stations at Bonnybridge and Grangemouth carried out by Michael Matheson MSP and Jamie Hepburn MSP, also acknowledging the support of Cathy Peattie MSP, Council instructs that officers commission Scottish Transport Appraisal Guidelines Reports for Bonnybridge and Grangemouth to allow these projects to advance”.

By way of an Amendment, Councillor Buchanan, seconded by Councillor C Martin, moved that:-

“Council continues to support the opening of a new Grangemouth Railway Station and a new Bonnybridge Railway Station. Council praises the work being undertaken by Council officers, SEStran and the local Grangemouth Transport Forum in pursuing an integrated comprehensive solution to transport issues in Grangemouth and the Falkirk area as a whole.

Council instructs Officers to continue to work with Transport Scotland, SEStran and the local communities to seek funding from the Scottish Government to fund a wider STAG exercise for improving transport links.

However, Council totally condemns the lack of vision by minority SNP Scottish Government in shelving the Edinburgh Airport Railway Link and Glasgow Airport Railway Link and refusing to fund for the foreseeable future the A801 Avon Gorge link and notes the failure to prioritise these and other improvements which will have an adverse effect on economic growth and the environment not only in Falkirk but Scotland as a whole”.

On a division 12 Members voted for the Motion and 16 for the Amendment.

Accordingly, **AGREED** the terms of the Amendment.