FC26. MOTIONS

With regard to the remaining motions on the agenda, the Provost stated that they related to matters within the remit of the Executive and, having consulted with the Council Leader and the Leader of the Opposition in accordance with Standing Order 31.1, he was not of the opinion that special circumstances existed requiring an exception to be made to that general rule. Consequently, the following motions stood referred to the Executive:-

- (i) Bonnybridge Muga Park
- (ii) Denny Eastern Access Road
- (iii) Spend to Save at the New Carriden Cemetery
- (iv) Zero Hours Contracts

Bonnybridge Muga Park

Councillor Coleman, seconded by Councillor Alexander, moved the suspension of Standing Orders to allow Council to consider motion (i), by Baillie Buchanan, on Bonnybridge Muga Park.

The Provost advised that in terms of Standing Order 36.3, Council may suspend any Standing Orders (with the exception of Standing Orders 35 and 36) provided that:

- (i) either due notice has been given, or Council agrees that it is a case of urgency; and
- (ii) the motion to suspend a Standing Order is moved, seconded and carried without discussion by at least two thirds of the councillors present and voting at the meeting and an absolute majority of the whole Council.

In regard to Standing Order 36.3(i), due notice of the motion had not been given. The Provost therefore sought Council's view on whether the matter was urgent.

On a division, 15 members voted for the motion (that the matter is urgent) and 15 voted against, with 2 members abstaining from voting. There being an equality of votes the Provost exercised his casting vote for the motion.

Council then adjourned at 12 noon for a short recess and reconvened at 12.15 pm with all members present as per the sederunt.

The motion to suspend Standing Orders was then put to the vote.

On a division 18 members voted for the motion and 13 voted against, with 1 member abstaining. In accordance with Standing Order 36.3 (2) referred to above the motion fell.