

FC34. THE AUDIT OF THE FALKIRK COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP

Council considered a report by the Chief Executive on the audit of the Falkirk Community Planning Partnership (CPP).

Audit Scotland had undertaken, on behalf the Accounts Commission, a review of the CPP in early 2014 and reported its findings in May 2014. The review report was provided as an appendix to the report.

The report by the Chief Executive summarised the key findings arising from the audit together with the key improvement and development priorities identified by the CPP. These will be overseen by an Improvement Group focusing around 4 workstreams:- governance, participation, review and performance/risk management.

Councillor C Martin, seconded by Baillie Paterson, moved the recommendations as set out in the report.

As an amendment, Councillor Meiklejohn, seconded by Councillor Jackson, moved the following in substitution for the motion:-

- (1) Council notes the report on the Audit of the Falkirk Community Planning Partnership, published by the Accounts Commission for Scotland and the Auditor General;
- (2) Council notes the key issues and recommendations arising from the report which has clearly indicated that the current approach requires to be radically reviewed. It is therefore agreed a full review of the Community Planning Partnership structures and objectives be undertaken and reported back to Council; and
- (3) as the Community Planning Partnership is the main vehicle for the future strategic planning of services it will form a standing item on every other full Council agenda.

In terms of Standing Order 22.4(i), a vote was taken by roll call, there being 31 members present with voting as undernoted:-

For the motion (16) – Provost Reid; Depute Provost Patrick; Baillie Paterson; Councillors Black, Blackwood, D Goldie, G Goldie, Gow, MacDonald, McLuckie, Mahoney, C Martin, Dr C R Martin, Murray, Nicol and Nimmo.

For the amendment (15) – Councillors Alexander, Balfour, Bird, Carleschi, Chalmers, Coleman, Hughes, Jackson, McCabe, McNally, Meiklejohn, Oliver, Ritchie, Spears and Turner.

Decision

Council noted:-

- (1) the report on the audit of Falkirk Community Planning Partnership published by the Accounts Commission for Scotland and the Auditor General; and
- (2) the key issues and recommendations arising from the report and the work being done to address these.