

MEETING OF CLYDE GATEWAY URC

Minutes of Meeting of 18 December 2020

Present: Alison Thewliss MP – Chair
Ian Manson, Chief Executive
Councillor Laura Doherty, Glasgow City Council
Councillor Greg Hepburn, Glasgow City Council
Councillor Carol Nugent, South Lanarkshire Council
Robert McLeary, South Lanarkshire Community Representative
Stuart Patrick, Glasgow Business Representative
Rosie Robertson, Glasgow Community Representative
Jim Watson, Scottish Enterprise

Apologies: Councillor John Anderson, South Lanarkshire Council
Allan McQuade, Scottish Enterprise

In attendance: Fiona Brittle, Scottish Government
Alison Brown, Clyde Gateway
Pauline Elliott, South Lanarkshire Council
Lesley-Ann Logan, Clyde Gateway
Billy Love, Scottish Government
Barry Macintyre, Clyde Gateway
Martin McKay, Clyde Gateway
Andrew Murphy, Office of Alison Thewliss MP
Angela Rowley, Clyde Gateway
Niki Spence, Clyde Gateway
Donna Brand (Minutes)

1. Board Appointments

Ian Manson began by stating that under the terms of the Articles of Association of Clyde Gateway URC a number of directors required to step down at the Annual General Meeting, which had been held earlier that afternoon, and then seek re-appointment. The three Members of CGURC had all given their prior approval to these four re-appointments and he now sought Board approval too.

Ian noted that the post of Co-opted Director with private sector financial/business expertise drawn from the South Lanarkshire area remains vacant.

He also sought approval to re-appoint the two Vice Chair posts.

After consideration, the Board approved the Board re-appointments as set out in Appendix 1 of the report.

2. Welcome, introductions, apologies and any declarations of interest

Alison Thewliss MP then welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were noted from Councillor John Anderson and Allan McQuade.

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising

The Minutes of the previous joint Board meeting of Clyde Gateway Developments Limited and Clyde Gateway URC, held on 6 November 2020, were submitted and approved.

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4. Chair's Report

Alison Thewliss MP thanked the Clyde Gateway staff for their continued hard work during the pandemic. She also extended her gratitude to the members of the Clyde Gateway Developments Limited Board for their support throughout the past year.

Alison also commented on the impressive outcome of bids to the Clyde Mission Fund with £1.2m secured.

5. Chief Executive's Report

Ian Manson advised that:

- (1) Taylor Bailie and Graeme Inglis were both leaving Clyde Gateway and thanked them for all their hard work and wished them good luck for the future;
- (2) significant items of business had been submitted to the Clyde Gateway Developments Limited Board earlier in the day, and thanked members for their support in enabling projects to move forward quickly;
- (3) an update on asset disposals currently underway, in particular in relation to the Albus and One Rutherglen Links office buildings, would be brought to a future meeting of the Board;
- (4) a Gift Aid payment of £660,925 had been made by Clyde Gateway Developments Limited to CGURC;
- (5) Clyde Gateway is continuing its important work to support community organisations through the pandemic; and
- (6) in terms of securing future funding, once this has been established, Clyde Gateway can progress with planned projects.

6. Business

For approval

6.1 System of Delegated Authority – Licenses and Leases CG20(DEC)02

Angela Rowley presented a report seeking approval to regularise the existing practices for granting leases and licenses within the delegated authority framework.

Alison provided background information in relation to the scheme, as well as outlining the existing practices on which the proposals for leases, licenses, desk rentals and variations were based.

After consideration, the Board approved the updated Scheme of Delegated Authority protocols for the disposal of assets by way of either Lease or License as set out in the report.

6.2 Old Dalmarnock Road – Professional Fees CG20(DEC)03

Alison Brown presented a report seeking authority to appoint a design team to progress the design development for improved green infrastructure at Old Dalmarnock Road, which was fully funded by the Vacant and Derelict Land Fund (VDLF).

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Alison provided some background information in relation to the site location, as well as highlighting the expectation of the project, which was to create a new community greenspace, and that, in order to deliver the project, Clyde Gateway URC had competitively procured a Design Team.

After consideration, the Board approved:

- (1) the strategic intent to deliver improved green infrastructure at Old Dalmarnock Road, Bridgeton at an estimated total project cost of £500,000 (including irrecoverable VAT); and
- (2) professional fees and survey costs of £33,755 (including irrecoverable VAT) to progress the project to RIBA Stage 4 – Design Development.

For information

6.3 Cuningar Loop Woodland Park (Phase 2) – Project Update CG20(DEC)04

Alison Brown presented a report providing a further update on the second phase of the Cuningar Loop Woodland Park, which would contribute to a post COVID-19 'Green Recovery', with specific emphasis given to funding and the tender returns received for the construction works.

Alison provided background information of the works that had been completed under Phase 1 of the project and advised that details of Phase 2 had been presented to both Boards on 11 September 2020, along with an update on design to the technical design stage and the intention to proceed with the tendering of the main contracts work.

After consideration, the Board noted the report.

6.4 Capital Programme (CG20(DEC)05

Alison Brown provided a further update of the Capital Programme, particularly in respect of COVID-19, and also provided an update of projects at the pre-development stage.

Alison advised that there were several projects which had been completed in 2019/20 which had outstanding issues associated with COVID-19 and provided further information on projects in the current financial year which had been impacted by the pandemic.

After consideration, the Board noted:

- (1) the report; and
- (2) after hearing from Martin McKay, that the Highbridge speculative office development would not be progressing to the next stage at this point in time.

6.5 Finance Report – Period Ended 30 November 2020 CG20(DEC)07

Lesley-Ann Logan presented a report outlining the consolidated financial performance of both Clyde Gateway URC (CGURC) and Clyde Gateway Developments Limited (CGDL) for the 6-month period to 30 November 2020.

After consideration, the Board noted the report.

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6.6 Health & Safety Committee – Meeting of 23 November 2020 CG20(DEC)06

The Board noted the Agenda and a verbal update of the meeting proceedings of the Health & Safety Committee of 23 November 2020.

7. Date, time and venue of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Friday 26 February 2021 at 2.30 pm.
