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TO: Provost Fletcher; Deputy Provost Cunningham; and Councillors Aitken, Bamforth, Buchanan, Convery, Devlin, Gilbert, Grant, Ireland, Lafferty, Macdonald, McLean, Merrick, Miller, O'Kane, Swift and Wallace.

**EAST RENFREWSHIRE COUNCIL**

A meeting of the East Renfrewshire Council will be held within the Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, Eastwood Park, Giffnock, on **Wednesday 19 December 2018 at 7.00 pm.**

The agenda of business is as listed below.

Yours faithfully

**Caroline Innes**

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DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

**Prior to the commencement of the meeting the Provost will make a statement that the meeting will be webcast live and recorded for later publicly accessible archive viewing.**

**PROGRAMME OF BUSINESS**

1. Report apologies for absence.
2. Declarations of Interest.
3. Submit for approval as a correct record and signature the Minute of meeting of the Council held on 31 October 2018.
4. Submit for approval as a correct record the Minutes of meetings for the period 1 November to 18 December 2018.

5. Items remitted to the Council:-

- (i) Interim Treasury Management Report for 2018/19 – Report by Chief Financial Officer (copy attached, pages 7 - 18)(Audit & Scrutiny Committee – 22 November 2018).

**Audit & Scrutiny Committee Recommendation**

- (a) That the organisations listed in Appendix II of the report be approved for the investment of surplus funds; and
- (b) That the continuing use of Markey Money Funds, in light of the new regulations coming into effect early from next year, be approved.
- (ii) General Fund Capital Programme 2018/19 - Report by Chief Financial Officer (copy attached, pages 19 - 44) (Cabinet – 6 December 2018).

**Cabinet Recommendation**

That the amendments to the Programme be approved.

- (iii) Housing Capital Programme 2018/19 - Report by Chief Financial Officer and Director of Environment (copy attached, pages 45 - 50) (Cabinet – 6 December 2018).

**Cabinet Recommendation**

That the amendments to the Programme be approved.

6. Consider Notices of Motion in the following terms:-

**Motion No.1**

*“This Council acknowledges the importance of discouraging people from dropping litter, supports increasing fixed penalty notices for littering from £80 to £100 and agrees a letter be sent from this local authority to the Scottish Govt making clear this Council’s support for increasing the default on the spot fines from £80 to £100 and request that Ministers implement this change as quickly as possible.”*

Submitted by Councillors Miller and Gilbert.

**Motion No.2**

*“That East Renfrewshire Council reinstate Armed Forces Day within Rouken Glen Park for the summer of 2019 and that provisions are made within upcoming budget to accommodate the return of this much appreciated and worthwhile event.”*

Submitted by Councillors Macdonald and Aitken.

### **Motion No.3**

***“That East Renfrewshire Council recognises the Scottish Youth Parliament’s campaign “Right Here Right Now”, understands that this campaign seeks to raise awareness of young people’s rights across society, and supports the Youth Parliament’s cause of ensuring that young people’s rights are protected, respected and fulfilled in Scotland.***

***The Council further notes and endorses the main objectives of this campaign: to ensure that young people are aware of and empowered to defend their rights as outlined in the United Nations Convention of the Rights of the Child (UNCRC); to ensure that Article 12 of the UNCRC, that young people have a right to be consulted on all matters affecting them, is properly fulfilled by decision-makers at all levels; and ultimately to call on the Scottish Government to incorporate the UNCRC into domestic Scottish Law.***

***That the Council recognises the UNCRC as the most complete statement of children’s rights ever produced as well as the most widely-ratified international human rights treaty in history. Therefore, Council calls on the Scottish Government to incorporate the UNCRC into Scots law before the end of this parliamentary term and that Cllr. Buchanan, in the role of leader of the council, writes to Maree Todd MSP, Minister for Children and Young People calling on this incorporation to take place.”***

**Submitted by Councillors Macdonald and Aitken.**

### **Motion No.4**

***That East Renfrewshire Council commences webcasting of all meetings of the Audit and Scrutiny Committee, Education Committee, Cabinet, Cabinet (Police and Fire) and Planning Committee/Local Review Body in addition to the present arrangements of webcasting of full council meetings utilising the full 30 hours per annum that it pays for within the current contract with Public-i.***

***That East Renfrewshire Council also broadcast the meetings of all committees previously mentioned plus meetings of the full council using live streaming on social media through it’s Facebook and Twitter social media pages from June 19<sup>th</sup> 2019 onwards and archive all of them on the council’s Youtube page for the each full term of the council.”***

**Submitted by Councillors Macdonald and Aitken.**

### **Motion No.5**

***“East Renfrewshire Council is rightly proud of its efforts to tackle discrimination in all its forms; we celebrate our greatly diverse community including the largest Jewish population in Scotland; we condemn racism and antisemitism wherever it is found; as part of Council’s ongoing equalities work we resolve to join with the UK and Scottish Governments and the major political parties in the UK in signing up to the internationally recognised International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) guidelines on antisemitism which defines antisemitism thus:***

***“Antisemitism is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, towards Jewish Community institutions and religious facilities.”***

***The guidelines highlight manifestations as including:***

- Calling for, aiding, or justifying the killing or harming of Jews in the name of a radical ideology or an extreme view of religion.***
- Making mendacious, dehumanising, demonizing or stereotypical allegations about Jews as such or the power of Jews as collective such as, especially but not exclusively, the myth about a world Jewish conspiracy or of Jews controlling the media, economy, government or other social institutions.***
- Accusing Jews as a people of being responsible for real or imagined wrongdoing committed by a single Jewish person or group, or even for acts committed by non-Jews.***
- Denying the fact, scope, mechanisms (e.g. gas chambers) or intentionality of the genocide of the Jewish people at the hands of National Socialist Germany and its supporters and accomplices during World War II (the Holocaust).***
- Accusing the Jews as a people, or Israel as a state, of inventing or exaggerating the Holocaust.***
- Accusing Jewish citizens as being more loyal to Israel, or to the alleged priorities of Jews worldwide, than to the interests of their own nations.***
- Denying the Jewish people their right to self determination, e.g. by claiming that the existence of the State of Israel is a racist endeavour.***
- Applying double standards by requiring of it behaviour not expected or demanded of any other democratic nation.***
- Using the symbols and images associated with classic antisemitism (e.g. claims of Jews killing Jesus or blood libel) to characterise Israel or Israelis.***
- Drawing comparisons of contemporary Israeli policy to that of the Nazis.***
- Holding Jews collectively responsible for the actions of the state of Israel.***

***Council resolves to:***

***Restate its condemnation of all forms of racism in all its manifestations and adopts the IHRA definition of antisemitism as the working model for challenging and confronting incidents of this form of racism.”***

**Submitted by Councillors O’Kane and Merrick.**

## **7. Questions to Conveners**

**Question from Councillor Swift to Councillor Buchanan, Leader of the Council.**

***Having consulted with an academic, I have been advised in considerable detail and against a range of criteria, which the consultation failed and the bottom line is that the Council’s consultation was quite blatantly biased.***

***Can the Leader of the Council please advise why the Council constructed a biased consultation?***

Question from Councillor Swift to Councillor Buchanan, Leader of the Council.

*I have been waiting now since my request on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October for a detailed methodology into the report that recommended Shawwood as 1<sup>st</sup> choice narrowly nudging Broom Park into second place as the preferred site for a new Eastwood Leisure Centre. Some of the findings were at best counterintuitive and at worst appeared ridiculous to me.*

*Can the Leader of the Council please advise why we would spend hundreds of thousands of pounds on reports from consultants that have in my and others' opinions highly dubious findings and those same consultants will not share their methodology, so we can understand how they arrived at their questionable findings?*

8. Statements by Conveners/Representatives on Joint Boards/Committees.
9. Provost's Engagements – Report by Deputy Chief Executive (copy attached, pages 51 - 52).
10. Management Rules – Household Waste Recycling Centres – Report by Director of Environment (copy attached, pages 53 - 64).
11. Amendments to Contract Standing Orders – Report by Chief Officer Legal and Procurement (copy attached, pages 65 - 100).
12. East Renfrewshire Community and Leisure Trust 2019/20 Business Plan – Report by Director of Education (copy attached, pages 101 - 144).
13. Head of Service Redesignations within Corporate and Community Services Department - Report by Deputy Chief Executive (copy attached, pages 145 - 150).
14. Licensing Forum: Appointment of Member – Report by Deputy Chief Executive (copy attached, pages 151 - 152).

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