

**Shetland Islands Council – 13 December 2023**  
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Item	Subject	Decision
1	Policy and Resources Committee – Chair’s Addendum: SIC Overall Management Accounts 2023/24 Projected Outturn at Q2	<p>The Council RESOLVED to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NOTE the Management Accounts showing the overall projected outturn position at Quarter 2 as set out in Appendices 1-9</li> <li>• NOTE the financial progress on Service Reviews, Vacancy Factor and 1% Savings, details set out in Appendices 1,4 and 5</li> <li>• APPROVE the virements and re-profiling of budgets in line with the variance analysis set out in Appendix 4 to cover over/underspends as identified and reprofiling of budgets for expenditure due only to occur in future years in line with the process as set out in paragraph 4.14</li> <li>• APPROVE the adjustments to the 2023/24 budget to reflect the additional funding offered to the Council, as set out in Appendices 6 and 8.</li> </ul>
2	Policy and Resources Committee – Chair’s Addendum: Non Domestic Rates Empty Property Relief	<p>The Council RESOLVED that the Shetland Islands Council Discretionary Rural Rates Relief Policy be APPROVED as outlined in section 4.12 of the report.</p>
3	Policy and Resources Committee – Chair’s Addendum: Scottish Recommended Allowance – Kinship Care and Foster Care	<p>The Council RESOLVED to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• APPROVE the implementation of the Scottish Recommended Allowance for kinship and foster carers, as set out at Section 4.6 and 4.7 of this report</li> <li>• NOTE that future Fostering and Kinship Allowance rates will be agreed via the Council’s budget setting process.</li> </ul>

4	Policy and Resources Committee – Chair’s Addendum: Shetland Museum Service Collections Policy 2023-2028	<p>The Council RESOLVED to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• APPROVE the draft Shetland Museum Service Collections Policy 2023-2028</li> <li>• In respect of section 10.3 of the Collections Policy, DELEGATE authority to the Director of Development Services, or his nominee, to approve any acquisitions which have specific storage requirements or are of a value exceeding £5k, in consultation with Shetland Amenity Trust and the Executive Manager – Assets Commissioning &amp; Procurement, or his nominee.</li> </ul>
5	Policy and Resources Committee – Chair’s Addendum: Asset Investment Plan - Progress Report	<p>The Council RESOLVED to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NOTE the progress of the projects within the Asset Investment Plan</li> <li>• APPROVE the additional capital budget requirements for updated projected outturn spend in 2023/24 since approval of the 5 Year Asset Investment Plan 2023-28 described at section 4.7</li> <li>• APPROVE the Business Justification Case attached as Appendix 6 to the report.</li> </ul>
6	Policy and Resources Committee – Chair’s Addendum: ICT & Digital Strategy 2023-28	<p>The Council RESOLVED to APPROVE the ICT &amp; Digital Strategy 2023-28.</p>
7	Policy and Resources Committee – Chair’s Addendum: Whistleblowing Arrangements	<p>The Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CONSIDERED the information presented in this report and the draft Whistleblowing and Response Policy attached at Appendix 1</li> <li>• CONSIDERED the views and decisions of the Audit Committee and of Policy and Resources Committee in this regard</li> <li>• RESOLVED to APPROVE the Whistleblowing and Response Policy.</li> </ul>
8	Shetland Islands Council Coastal Communities Fund	<p>The Council RESOLVED to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• APPROVE a grant of up to £69,702 to Burra Public Hall to upgrade toilet facilities</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• APPROVE a grant of up to £100,000 to Fetlar Community Association to upgrade the roof of the Fetlar Hall</li> <li>• NOTE the delegated approvals made under the Coastal Communities Fund (CCF) at Appendix 1.</li> </ul>
9	Inter-island Transport Connectivity Programme	<p>The Council RESOLVED to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NOTE the progress that is being made on the Inter-island Transport Connectivity Programme</li> <li>• AGREE with the intended procurement approach set out in this report to appoint a consultant to deliver the required Strategic Business Case and Outline Business Cases.</li> </ul>
10	Climate Change – SIC Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan	<p>The Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• APPROVED the Shetland Islands Council Climate Change Strategy 2023 – 2027</li> <li>• APPROVED the associated Shetland Islands Council Climate Change Action Plan</li> <li>• APPROVED the framework for monitoring and reporting on progress on climate action.</li> </ul>

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