

**MINUTES
JOINT CONSULTATIVE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 14 April 2026

Councillor Jim Creamer (Chair)

Present: Councillor Andrew Dunkin Councillor Alex Scroggie
 Councillor Rachael Ellis Councillor Sam Smith
 Councillor Darren Maltby

Unison: Susan Buchanan Alison Hunt
 Andy Fretwell

Absent: Councillor Boyd Elliott, Councillor Paul Hughes, Councillor Ron
 McCrosen and Councillor Jane Allen

Officers in Attendance: B Hopewell, L Juby, J Lovett, C Payne, A Snodin and A Solley

28 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Allen, Elliott, Hughes and McCrosen. Councillors Dunkin, Maltby and Sam Smith attended as substitute.

29 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 26 AUGUST 2025 AND 17 FEBRUARY 2026

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the above meetings, having been circulated, be approved as a correct record.

30 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

31 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

That, the Members being satisfied that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the ensuing report on the grounds that the report involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

32 REVENUES & WELFARE SERVICES ESTABLISHMENT CHANGE

REPORT

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Approve the proposals to change the structure of the Revenues & Welfare Services team as detailed in this report;
- 2) Close the formal consultation process; and
- 3) Note the comments made by Members regarding the efficiency savings described in paragraph 4.5 to the report, highlighting that the efficiencies described would not be achieved if the proposals in the report were agreed and to pass those comments on for consideration by Senior Leadership and the Chief Executive

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REPORT TO JCSC - RICHARD HERROD CONSULTATION

The Assistant Director for Leisure and Wellbeing introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, seeking to close formal consultation on proposals to permanently remove roles at Richard Herrod Centre following its closure.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Receive comments from employees and trade union representatives;
- 2) Close the formal consultation process; and
- 3) Make any appropriate recommendations for consideration by the Chief Executive who will authorise the implementation of any changes.

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ANY OTHER ITEM WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

The meeting finished at 6.37 pm

Signed by Chair:

Date: