

# MEETING OF CLYDE GATEWAY URC

## Minutes of Meeting of 30 June 2023

**Present:** Councillor Robert Brown (South Lanarkshire Council)  
Councillor Margaret Cowie (South Lanarkshire Council) (via Teams)  
Councillor Greg Hepburn (Glasgow City Council) (via Teams)  
Martin McKay (Chief Executive)  
Robert McLeary (South Lanarkshire Community Representative)  
Derek Shaw (Scottish Enterprise) (via Teams)  
Alison Thewliss MP (Chair)

**Apologies:** Councillor Cecilia O'Lone (Glasgow City Council)  
Stuart Patrick (Glasgow Business Community Representative)  
Rosie Robertson (Glasgow Community Representative)  
Jim Watson (Scottish Enterprise)

**In attendance:** Harry Brickell (Scottish Government)  
Douglas Cameron (Clyde Gateway)  
Rowan Carmichael (Clyde Gateway)  
Allan Drysdale (Clyde Gateway)  
Alistair Edgley (Clyde Gateway)  
David McEwan (Glasgow City Council)  
Fiona McLean (Clyde Gateway)  
Niki Spence (Clyde Gateway)  
Robert Young (Clyde Gateway)

### 1. Welcome, introductions, apologies and declarations of interest

The Chair, Alison Thewliss MP, welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted apologies from Cllr Cecilia O'Lone, Stuart Patrick, Rosie Robertson and Jim Watson.

There were no declarations of interest made.

### 2. Minutes of previous meeting and any matters arising

The Minutes of the previous Board Meeting of Clyde Gateway URC held on 28 April 2023 were submitted and approved. Under matters arising it was advised that the MoU with Scottish Enterprise for the delivery of business space suitable for High Value Manufacturing companies had now been signed.

### 3. Chair's Report

The Chair gave a verbal report, in which she began by welcoming Allan Drysdale who had taken up the role of Corporate Governance Manager and would now be taking the minutes of the Board meetings.

She also welcomed Alistair Edgley and Fiona McLean who were joining the meeting to present the finance report and the paper on Top Golf respectively.

It was advised that Clyde Gateway continued to receive positive press coverage and in this regard the Chief Executive would cover the visit by the Deputy First Minister during his update.

The Chair drew the Board's attention to the restoration of the Bridgeton Umbrella noting that works were progressing well and that a community event had taken place on 16 June ahead of a full event in August.

Finally, it was intimated that under the capital programme item, there would be an update on the progress on some of the new developments and plans for community visits

#### **4. Chief Executive's Report**

The Chief Executive gave a verbal report during which he covered:

- The visit by the Deputy First Minister to EastWorks and Dalmarnock on 1 June, noting that this was the official switch on of the district heating system
- The ongoing dialogue with the Scottish Government in relation to Shawfield in pursuance of the funding necessary to complete the remediation of the area.
- An update on the recruitment process for the Executive Director Regeneration, noting that the deadline for applications had now closed.
- The Infrastructure and Place Advisory Group
- An update with regard to 'Project Blue'
- Having attended the UK Real Estate Investment and Infrastructure Forum which had taken place in May
- That an announcement had been made the previous day that the Glasgow City Region would be a UK Investment Zone and Clyde Gateway will be looking to engage with this initiative

The Board noted the verbal update by the Chief Executive.

#### **5. For Approval**

##### **5.1 Risk Register Review - CG23(JUN)01**

Niki Spence presented a paper which sought approval of the latest iteration of the group Risk Register.

Niki informed that there had been no changes to the Risk Register since the last meeting. The Audit & Evaluation Committee had considered the Register at their meeting and discussion had taken place regarding the risk related to the cost of living and it was noted that this would be kept under review to ensure any impact from external factors was taken account of.

After consideration, the Board approved the latest iteration of the group Corporate Risk Register.

##### **5.2 Online Banking Approvals – Update – CG23(JUN)02**

Niki Spence presented a paper which sought approval to add the Head staff category to the positions authorised to approve payment runs and bank account transfers (between existing Clyde Gateway URC group bank accounts) on the Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS) on-line banking system, Bankline.

After consideration, the Board approved the adoption of the Bankline approval levels by Head level staff as set out in the paper and noted that Bernadette Pollock and Martin McKay have been added as Bankline administrators.

### 5.3 Transition to Net Zero – Action Plan - CG23(JUN)03

Martin introduced this item before handing over to Niki Spence who presented a paper which provided the Board with an overview of work to date to develop and implement an ambitious and holistic Transition to Net Zero (TNZ) action plan which will respond to Scotland's target to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2045 and reflect the need to approach this transition in a fair, inclusive and collaborative manner.

After consideration the Board

- i) Approved the vision statement;
- ii) Endorsed the TNZ Action Plan; and
- iii) Noted that the Community Committee has been requested to consider TNZ in detail at least once per year – with a proposed initial consideration at its October 2023 meeting.

#### **For Information**

### 5.4 Topgolf – Recruitment and Supply Chain Support - CG23(JUN)04

Fiona McLean presented a paper which highlighted the success of the partnership who supported Topgolf with its recruitment and supply chain in preparation for the opening of their new facility in Duchess Place, Rutherglen in December 2022.

After consideration, the Board noted the report.

### 5.5 Key Performance Indicators 2022-23 - CG23(JUN)05

Niki Spence presented a paper which asked the Board to note the progress being made against the 9 Key Performance Indicators as at 31 March 2023.

After consideration, the Board noted the report.

### 5.6 Inward Investment Property Enquiries 2023/24 – 2025/26 - CG23(JUN)06

Robert Young presented a paper which provided an overview of the range of inward investment and property enquiries received by Clyde Gateway Developments Limited within the Clyde Gateway area up to the end of the 2022/23 Financial Year.

After consideration, the Board noted the range of inward investment and property enquiries received and marketing activities focused on improving the performance of the Investment and Residual Property Portfolio.

### 5.7 Capital Programme – Update - CG23(JUN)07

Dougie Cameron presented a paper which provided a progress report on the capital development programme, including details of projects at the pre-development stage.

After consideration, the Board noted the report.

### 5.8 Finance Report – Period Ended 31 May 2023 – CG23(JUN)08

Alastair Edgley presented a paper which provided a progress report on the capital development programme, including details of projects at the pre-development stage.

After consideration, the Board noted the report.

5.9 Committee Meetings – Oversight of Business Conducted – CG23(JUN)09

Allan Drysdale presented a paper which provided an overview of the business conducted by the sub-committees of Clyde Gateway URC (CGURC) in the intervening period since the last Board meeting on 28 April 2023.

After consideration, the Board noted the report.

5.10 CGDL – Meeting of 26 April 2023 – CG23(JUN)10

Martin McKay presented a paper which provided details of the business conducted by the Board of Clyde Gateway Developments Limited at its meeting on Wednesday 26 April 2023.

After consideration, the Board noted the report.

**6. Date, time and venue of next meeting**

The Board noted the next meeting would be held on Friday 25 August 2023 at 2:30pm, venue to be confirmed.

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