

19/22 **Fair Isle Ferry and Terminal Replacement Outline Business Case Update**

The Council considered a report by the Executive Manager - Transport Planning (DV-21-22-F) providing an update on the Fair Isle Ferry project and seeking approval for a proposal to submit a fresh bid to the Levelling Up Fund (LUF).

The Executive Manager Transport - Planning summarised the main terms of the report, outlining the revised programme and the proposal to submit a revised bid to the LUF.

Responding to a question, he advised that should the bid be unsuccessful, the Council was still pursuing other opportunities with the Scottish Government to support the project.

Mr McGregor moved that the recommendations in the report be approved, and paid tribute to those involved for their work on the project.

Mr Duncan seconded.

Decision:

The Council:

- NOTED the Fair Isle Ferry project update given in Appendix 1 of the report
- APPROVED the proposal to submit a fresh bid to the Levelling Up Fund (LUF) when the next bidding round opens based on encouraging feedback on the previous bid detailed in Appendix 2 of the report
- Subject to a successful bid to the Levelling Up Fund, APPROVES that the Council will make a contribution of up to 10% of the full project costs in the revised Outline Business Case, likely to be in the region of £2.8m, which reflects the feedback from the Scotland Office.