

Asylum Seeker's Support – Termination of contract noted – Instruction to Executive Director of Social Care Services – Declaration of interest.

13 In terms of Standing Order Nos 4 and 6 and with reference to the minutes of 12th December 2008 (Print 6, page 625) approving the re-negotiation of the Asylum Seeker's Support contract with the Home Office, UK Border Agency (UKBA), Councillor Kerr, Executive Member for Social Care, presented a report regarding the outcome of recent negotiations with UKBA regarding the contract, advising

- (1) that the UKBA had notified the Council of its intention to terminate on 2nd February 2011 the contract to provide accommodation and support services to asylum seekers dispersed to the city while the UKBA considered their application for asylum;
- (2) of the background and outcome of the contract negotiations and the content of a letter sent by the UKBA to all service users receiving asylum support services in Glasgow; and
- (3) of areas of work that officers were pursuing in relation to the termination of the contract.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) instructed the Executive Director of Social Care Services to report back to this committee on the outcome of discussions in relation to the areas of work that officers were pursuing in relation to the termination of the contract, as detailed in the report.

In terms of Standing Order No 26, Councillor Wardrop declared an interest in this item of business and left the room during its consideration.